

Minute of the Meeting of Sanday Community Council held in Sanday Community School on Tuesday, 21 August 2018 at 19:30

Present:

Mrs J Seatter, Mr P Allan, Mr G Ellis, Mr M Lennie and Mr J Muir.

In Attendance:

- Councillor S Clackson.
- Mrs J Montgomery, Empowering Communities Liaison Officer.
- Ms G Speers, Island Link Officer (ILO).

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note that apologies for absence had been received from Ms H Dakin and Mr A Towrie and Councillors G Sinclair and K Woodbridge.

2. Adoption of Minutes

The minute of the meeting held on 26 June 2018 was approved, being proposed by Mr M Lennie and seconded by Mr P Allan.

3. Matters Arising

A. Duke of Edinburgh

Following discussion of previous correspondence from Mrs Newton advising members that one child had cancelled from the trip and asking if funds could be used to purchase tents instead, it was resolved:

1. That as the place had now been filled there was not a requirement to pay back the funds.
2. That the ILO would write a letter to Mrs Newton to confirm this.

B. Sunken Graves

Following consideration of a report from the Chair advising of the sunken graves within the kirkyard, it was resolved:

1. That the Chair would ask the Caretaker to identify the graves most in need of repair.
2. That arrangements would be made locally and the repairs would go out to tender.
3. That the ILO should put an advertisement in the Sanday Sound for the tender for repair of sunken graves in Burness and Cross Kirkyards.
4. The deadline for submission of tenders would be Sunday, 23 September 2018.
5. That the ILO would put an advert in the Sanday Sound to remind families that it was their responsibility for the upkeep of lairs.

C. Dog Mess at Cata Sand

After hearing a report from the Chair advising members of complaints received regarding the mess at Cata Sand, along with other areas, it was:

Resolved to note that the landowner would be contacted to enquire if signs could be erected by the community council advising the public that dog mess could be placed in any bin.

D. Old Phone Box at School

After hearing a report advising members that the phone box at the school was in a state of disrepair and that the phone did not work, it was:

Resolved to note that the ILO would get in touch with BT to arrange its removal.

E. New Cemetery

After hearing a report from the Chair advising members that the new cemetery had been completed although snagging works had to be completed and the final grass cut required to be undertaken. Members raised that no rabbit proof fencing had been put on the gates and, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the report and that a request be forwarded to Orkney Islands Council to arrange rabbit proofing of the cemetery gates.

F. Empowering Communities

Following a report from the ILO advising members on progress, it was resolved:

1. To note that the ILO would be attending a one-day course on digital training on 5 September 2018
2. That the ILO would investigate what advertising could be used to advertise what was available through the community council, subject to Orkney Islands Council approval.
3. That the ILO would advertise in the Sanday Sound what was available through the community council along with contact details.

G. Micro-Grant Emergency Fund

Following enquiries to the Climate Challenge fund and a report from the Chair, it was:

Resolved to note that this fund would not be suitable for emergency purposes.

H. Community Conversation Event drop-in

After hearing a report from the Chair with an update of the main concerns raised at this event, it was:

Resolved to note that Democratic Services would investigate issues raised regarding verge maintenance on the island.

4. Correspondence

A. THAW – Wellbeing Orkney

Following consideration of an invitation to be part of an Advisory group, it was:

Resolved to note that Sanday Development Trust had a representative on this advisory group already, and that they could provide updates through SCC's Development Trust Representative.

B. Zero Waste Orkney

Following correspondence advising members that there were no facilities for the Bag the Bruck waste to be separated in Orkney, it was:

Resolved to note the content of the correspondence.

C. Public Contact Research

Following consideration of an invitation to be part of a small focus group, it was resolved:

1. That the ILO advise Police Scotland that no-one from Sanday would be attending.
2. That members may consider attending in the future if it was possible to attend a meeting via Skype.

D. SEPA

Following consideration of correspondence advising members that a drop-in session had been organised for 19 September, it was resolved:

1. To note that SEPA had arrange a drop-in session in Sanday.
2. To note that they would be sending out posters for the ILO to advertise the event in due course.

5. Consultation Documents

A. Review of Statement of Alcohol Licensing Policy

After consideration of the consultation document entitled Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005: Review of Statement of Alcohol Licensing Policy, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that members had no comments to make.

B. Orkney Local Biodiversity Action Plan

The Orkney Local Biodiversity Action Plan Consultation Document had been previously circulated, due to the deadline for response, and it was:

Resolved to note that members had made no comment.6. Air and Ferry Consultative Forum Agenda

The Transport Representative advised that he would be attending the Air and Ferry Services Consultative Forum on 22 August, and members advised of items that they wished to be taken up at the meetings, and it was:

Resolved to note that the Transport Representative would raise issues at the forum meeting on behalf of the Community Council.

7. Financial Statements

A. General Finance

Following consideration of the General Finance statement as at 15 August 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the estimated balance was £11,202.04

B. Spurness Wind Fund

Following consideration of the Spurness Wind Fund statement as at 15 August 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balance was £4,243.42

C. Community Council Grant Scheme

Following consideration of the 2018/2019 Community Council Grant Scheme statement as at 15 August 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balance remaining for approval in the main capping limit was £1,051.54 additional capping limit was £389.96 and the Island capping limit was £330.

D. Community Development Fund

Following consideration of the Community Development Fund statement as at 15 August 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balance remaining for approval was £9,419.68.

E. Seed Corn Fund

Following consideration of the Seed Corn Fund statement as at 15 August 2018, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance remaining for approval was £4,218.03.

8. Applications for Financial Assistance

A. Seed Corn

Following consideration of an application requesting financial assistance from the Seed Corn Fund for the purchase of goods, it was:

Resolved to forward application to Democratic Services for advice.

B. OACAS

Following consideration of a Spurness Community Fund application by Orkney Alcohol Counselling and Advisory Services, it was resolved:

1. To agree with the awards recommended in the report.

2. That the award was to last for the duration of two years
3. That consideration should be given to keeping the travel costs down by advising OACAS to come out to Sanday on a single fare and to book a return flight for their return.

C. Sanday SWI

Following an email decision of a financial application needed to be agreed prior to the meeting, it was:

Resolved that the £94.10 be awarded towards travel costs and that application should be made for CCGS funding on the cost.

D. Sanday Community School

Following an email decision of a financial application needed to be agreed prior to the meeting, it was:

Resolved that £150 should be awarded towards travel costs from the CCGS fund and that application should be made for CCGS funding on the cost.

E. Spurness Micro Grant Fund

1. Eleanor Skea

Following an email decision of a financial application needed to be agreed prior to the meeting, it was:

Resolved that £208 should be awarded towards travel costs from the Micro Fund.

2. D Clackson

Following receipt of an application form from D Clackson requesting assistance towards the cost of driving lessons, it was:

Resolved that £250 would be awarded now that a completed application form had been received.

9. Reports from Community Council Representatives

A. Transport Representative

Resolved to note there was nothing to report.

B. Planning Representative

Resolved to note there was nothing to report.

C. Development Trust Representative

The Development Trust Representative gave a report advising members of the various projects being undertaken by the Trust at present, and it was:

Resolved to note the content of the report.

10. Publications

The following publications were made available to members:

- Orkney Ferries Ltd Statistics – May 2018.
- Loganair Inter Island Statistics – July 2018.
- VAO Newsletter - July 2018.

11. Any Other Competent Business

A. Graffiti in Loth Waiting Room

Following a complaint regarding graffiti on a notice board in Loth waiting room, it was:

Resolved that no further action was required.

B. Council Houses

Following discussion on the lack of family accommodation on the island, it was:

Resolved to raise the concerns regarding the lack of housing available for family residence with Orkney Islands Council.

C. Shower at Kettletoft

After hearing a report advising members of concerns raised by the public in connection with the usage of the showers at Kettletoft, it was:

Resolved to raise the concerns with Orkney Islands Council.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Following consideration of future meeting dates, it was:

Resolved that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, 9 October 2018, commencing at 19:30.

13. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 21:45.