

Minute of the Meeting of Sanday Community Council held in the Sanday Community School on Tuesday, 2 April 2019 at 19:30

Present:

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

In Attendance:

- Councillor K Woodbridge.
- Ms G Speers, Island Link Officer (ILO).

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note that apologies for absence had been received from Miss H Dakin and Councillors S Clackson and G Sinclair.

2. Adoption of Minutes

The minute of the meeting held on 19 February 2019 was approved, being proposed by Mr A Towrie and seconded by Mr G Ellis, subject to the following amendment:

Item 7.A. should read:

Following a report from the Transport Representative and an update on the Air and Ferry Consultative Forum meeting he had attended on 18 February, it was noted that Stronsay requested that flights be changed on a Saturday to give more time on the mainland, the outcome being that a decision could not be made as there were no representatives from Westray present at the meeting. In response to the opening time for booking a Sunday flight, members requested that the opening point for booking be 09:00 on a Friday and for this decision to be reported to the Transport Department. It was also reported that a book of ferry tickets could now be shared between two cars, and that there would be a new survey coming out for every resident on the outer isles to complete with regards to the Outline Business Case, and that this would be funded by the Scottish Government.

Following the report, it was resolved:

1. That the Clerk should contact all North Isles Community Council Clerks to discuss a way forward to raise awareness of the need for new ferries.
2. That the Clerk would contact the Transportation Manager via Democratic Services regarding the opening time for booking a Sunday Flight.

3. Matters Arising

A. Sunken Graves

Members considered a report from the Chair advising of the trial of the repair of sunken graves within the Kirkyard to gauge costs per lair and had further discussion regarding a scheme for family members wishing to opt out of repairs to lairs. Information from Democratic Services with regards to the repair of Kirkyard paths and gate maintenance, was also considered.

Members agreed that, as there were approximately 65 lairs still to be repaired, the ILO should put an advertisement in the Sanday Sound, Facebook and on the Kirkyard gates to advise family members that if they do not wish for their lair(s) to be repaired by Sanday Community Council, they will need to opt out of this scheme, or alternatively if they wished to contribute towards the cost of the repair of their lairs to get in touch with the ILO.

Following advice from Democratic Services in response to members concerns regarding the unsafety of paths in the Kirkyards, it was noted that there were limited

funds for these repairs at present, and members agreed that they were prepared to wait until Orkney Islands Council had the budget to carry out these repairs.

Members agreed to fund the cost of repairs and general maintenance of the Kirkyard gates through the CCGS, and tender notices would be advertised to that effect, with a deadline of 19 April 2019.

The meeting also heard that a member of public had advised that the dyke at Lady Kirkyard was in need of repair before it collapsed and made a request to the members to ask if he could carry out the repairs, and it was resolved:

1. That the ILO would get in touch with the person to arrange the work at Lady Kirkyard.
2. That the ILO would advertise the tender for the work to the Kirkyard gates.
3. That the ILO would advertise the scheme and information for repairing lairs.
4. To note the information provided.

B. Grass Cutting Contracts

Following discussion with regard to the Grass Cutting contracts for 2019, Members agreed that if one applicant tendered to maintain all four Kirkyards, the applicant would be able to use the lawn mower and strimmer provided by the Community Council and if the tender was split between applicants that all applicants would need to use their own equipment. It was also agreed that the ILO should display a notice locally and on the Sanday Residents Facebook page re-advertising the Tender notice for the Grass Cutting contracts, with a closing date for applications of Friday, 19 April 2019. All tender applicants would be advised to contact the Chair for the appropriate tender document, which should be completed and returned, prior to the closing date, and it was:

Resolved to note the information and that amended tender documents would be advertised with a closing date of 19 April 2019.

C. Planning Application – Change of Use

Following correspondence from Democratic Services and discussion regarding a local planning application and an objection from a member of public, it was:

Resolved to note that the reasons given for objecting to the application were not valid under planning criteria, and to take no action.

D. Scrap Metal

Following discussion with regards to scrap metal on the island, it was agreed that the ILO would arrange for a skip to come out to Sanday in the second week of May and for this to be advertised in the May edition of the Sanday Sound as part of an island tidy up. The ILO was also tasked with finding out when the next Special Collection would be taking place and to include this to be advertised as part of the Island Tidy Up, and it was:

Resolved to note the information with regards to the Island Tidy Up and that the ILO would make the necessary arrangements for the provision of skip and apply for Community Council Grant Scheme assistance on the cost.

E. Scrap Car Scheme

Following discussion with regards to the allocation of funds for the island scrap car scheme, it was agreed that £1,000 of CCGS should be set aside for this scheme and that it should be advertised, and it was:

Resolved that the ILO would apply to the CCGS for £1,000 towards the scrap car scheme and advertise it in the May edition of the Sanday Sound.

F. Adoption of Red Telephone Kiosks

Resolved to note that there was no update available at present.

G. Sanday Sound and Survival Guide Production

Following further discussion with regards to costs for subscriptions to the Sanday Sound and the Survival Guide, it was resolved:

1. To note that members agreed that the cost of subscriptions to the Sanday Sound should be increased to £25 per year due to the increase of postage and administration costs and for the cost of each copy of the Sanday Survival Guide to be increased to £2.
2. That the ILO should advertise the cost of the subscriptions on the Sanday Gruelly Belkies Facebook page, as this page was for residents and friends out with Sanday.

H. Bag the Bruck

Resolved to note that there was no update at present.

I. Empowering Communities

Following a report from the ILO, it was resolved:

1. To note that there was now a post box and wheelie bin at the Link Office.
2. That the Link Officer would be attending an evaluation meeting of the Your Island, Your Choice 2 event with Voluntary Action Orkney on 4 April 2019.

4. Correspondence - Defibrillator

Following consideration of correspondence from the island doctor with regards to the possible re-siting of the defibrillator which was previously sited at Sanday Community Shop and was now in Sanday Surgery, and required repair, it was resolved:

- A. To note that members requested that the Defibrillator is returned to the shop and for it to be housed inside until a replacement box to house it outside is purchased.
- B. That Mr G Ellis would arrange the purchase of the Defibrillator box.

C. That the ILO would look into funding possibilities to purchase more defibrillators in the hope that they could be installed in the Red Telephone Kiosks and to contact NILPS to see if this would be possible.

5. Financial Statements

A. General Finance

Following consideration of the General Finance statement as at 14 March 2019, it was:

Resolved to note the estimated balance was £8,813.91.

B. Spurness Wind Fund

Following consideration of the Spurness Wind Fund statement as at 14 March 2019, it was:

Resolved to note the balance was £8,295.92.

C. Community Council Grant Scheme

Following consideration of the 2018/2019 Community Council Grant Scheme statement as at 14 March 2019, it was:

Resolved to note the balance remaining for approval in the additional capping limit was £263.06, the Island capping limit remaining was £330, and that the main capping limit had been fully allocated.

D. Community Development Fund

Following consideration of the Community Development Fund statement as at 14 March 2019, 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 14 March 2019, it was:

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

6. Applications for Financial Assistance

A. 37th Orkney Folk Festival

Following consideration of correspondence received from 37th Orkney Folk Festival requesting financial assistance towards the running costs of this year's events, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £500 be awarded from the General Fund.

B. Groupcall

Following consideration of correspondence received from Sanday Community School requesting financial assistance with the cost of providing 3 years of the Groupcall messaging system, it was agreed to fund this from CCGS, or general fund if CCGS was not applicable, and it was:

Resolved that a sum of £105 be granted towards the cost of providing Groupcall message system and that an application be made to the CCGS accordingly.

C. Spurness Micro Grant Fund

1. Tina Brown

Following consideration of correspondence from Tina Brown, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of Fatburn Extreme exercise class insurance and branded clothing, it was:

Resolved that £250 be awarded from the Micro Grant Fund.

2. Connie Drain

Following consideration of correspondence from Connie Drain, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of travel and accommodation to attend the Intermediate Instrumental Course in Kirkwall, it was:

Resolved that £250 be awarded from the Micro Grant Fund.

3. Sanday Community Radio Podcast

Following consideration of correspondence from the organisers of the Sanday Community Radio Podcast, requesting financial assistance towards purchasing a mixing desk, headphones, amplifier and cables, it was:

Resolved that £250 be awarded from the Micro Grant Fund.

4. Chloe Whitman

Following consideration of correspondence from Chloe Whitman, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of attending Cornet and Piano lessons in Kirkwall, it was:

Resolved that £250 be awarded from the Micro Grant Fund.

D. Haulage - Reimbursement for Aggregates

1. Pauline Herickson

Following consideration of correspondence from Pauline Herickson, requesting financial assistance towards the haulage cost of transporting aggregates, it was:

Resolved to award £26.40 from the CCGS aggregates scheme.

2. Gail Speers

The ILO declared an interest in this item.

Following consideration of correspondence from Gail Speeds, requesting financial assistance towards the haulage cost of transporting aggregates, it was:

Resolved to award £26.40 from the CCGS aggregates scheme.

7. Reports from Community Council Representatives

A. Transport Representative

Following a report from the Transport Representative, it was noted that there had been complaints to Orkney Island Ferries from the public in response to a recent weekend where there had been no warnings about ferry cancellations. Orkney Ferries had given their apologies and confirmed that the lack of information would not occur again.

Members also heard that, as there had been no representatives from Westray at the Air and Ferry Consultation Forum to enable discussion of the change of time of Saturday flights to allow more time spent in Kirkwall, it had been noted that the time had reverted to 12:00 and would not be discussed again until the next Forum. The Transport Representative and members noted their concerns regarding representatives not being present at the Forum and suggested that each island should send another representative in their place if they could not attend, thus enabling decisions to be made. It was agreed that the ILO should inform Democratic Services of their concerns, and it was:

Resolved to note the information provided and that the ILO would feed information back to Transport, via Democratic Services.

B. Planning Representative

Following a report from the Planning Representative, it was:

Resolved to note that the Planning Representative had not been receiving the weekly list of planning applications, and that the ILO should contact Democratic Services asking them to look in to this.

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 an update on the Kettletoft project, and it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the report.

D. North Isles Landscape Partnership Scheme Representative

Following a report from the Chair advising members of the various projects being undertaken by NILPS at present, and an update on a meeting held with the Development Trust, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the report.

8. Publications

The following publications were made available to members:

- Orkney Ferries Ltd Statistics – January and February 2019.
- Loganair Inter Island Statistics – February 2019.
- VAO Newsletter - February 2019.

9. Any Other Competent Business

A. Your Island, Your Choice 2

Following a report from Mr J Muir thanking all those involved with the YIYC2 funding event, and after hearing feedback from the public, suggesting that the main event should be held over two evenings, one for presentations and the second for voting, it was:

Resolved to note the information and that the ILO would report the feedback to VAO.

B. Hebridean Princess

Following discussion in relation to the Hebridean Princess making two visits to Sanday in the coming months, and to allow groups to prepare for their arrival, it was:

Resolved to note that the ILO would contact the Harbours department to find out the dates and times that the vessel would be visiting Sanday.

10. Date of Next Meeting

Following consideration of future meeting dates, it was:

Resolved that the next meetings would be held on Tuesdays 18 June and 27 August 2019, commencing at 19:30.

11. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 22.30.