

Minute of the Meeting of Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre and Gairsay Community Council held in Rousay Community School on Saturday, 8 December 2018 at 10:15

Present:

Mr A Firth, Mrs Z Flaws, Mr R Friel and Mrs C Maguire.

In Attendance:

- Councillor K Woodbridge.
- J Montgomery, Empowering Communities Liaison Officer.
- Mrs E Soames, Clerk.

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note that apologies for absence had been intimated by Ms C Cox, Mr J Garson and Mr R Tipper and Councillors Clackson and Sinclair.

2. Adoption of Minutes

The minute of the meeting held on 22 September 2018 was approved, being proposed by Mrs C Maguire and seconded by Mr R Friel.

3. Matters Arising

A. Vermin Eradication Scheme

Following advertisement of the scheme around the islands, a number of residents had shown interest in the scheme, and there had been one application received by the Clerk, and it was:

Resolved to note the information and to advertise in the Review, at the Surgery and on the boat.

B. Inter-Island Ferry Tickets

The Clerk reported that, following advertisement around the islands, a number of residents had put their names forward for tickets, and it was resolved:

1. That the Clerk would put forward the applicants' names to the Tingwall office to distribute the requested inter-island tickets.
2. That members agreed that the Clerk should advertise the scheme again up to the agreed cost of £500.
3. To note that the scheme be discussed again once the £500 limit had been reached.

C. Scrap Car Scheme

The Clerk reported that a number of cars had been removed from the island so far, but that some had been sent without V5s, and it was resolved:

1. To monitor the cars taken and for the Clerk to send out the DOVH form to residents who had not supplied a V5.
2. To speak with the haulier regarding the outstanding vehicles.

D. Notice Board

Members discussed the delay in the provision of notice boards, and it was:

Resolved to note that, as Mr J Garson was absent from the meeting and unable to contribute, the item would be carried forward to the next meeting.

E. NHS Orkney – First Responders

Members were advised that interviews have taken place and a number of residents had been employed, however training had not taken place yet, and it was:

Resolved that Councillor K Woodbridge would contact Mrs M Firth with regards to the delays.

F. Kirkyard Matting

Members continued to discuss the issue of access to gravesides, and it was:

Resolved that this be discussed at the next meeting.

G. Egilsay Bin Store

Correspondence from Democratic Services regarding the bin store had been received, advising that a map/plan of where the bin store was to be placed was required, and it was:

Resolved that Mrs C Cox would send a plan or drawing to Democratic Services as soon as possible.

H. Island of Orkney Brochure

Members were informed that a couple of changes had been requested, and forwarded on to OIC for compiling, and it was:

Resolved to note the information and to approve the cost of the brochure at £600.

I. Ferry Services Consultative Forum Meeting

The Transport Representative was not in attendance therefore up updated was not available, and it was:

Resolved to await the next meeting for more information from Ferry Services

J. Tingwall Car Park and Other Orkney Ferries items

A number of letters had been received by the Clerk following the last meeting where Orkney Ferries Services Manager was in attendance, and it was resolved:

1. That the Community Council would not provide funding towards the provision of a ferry sign for Tingwall.
2. That the On request sailings for Egilsay item should be deferred for discussion at the next meeting.
3. That members were of the opinion that it was not appropriate to lose sailings during the week to accommodate Sunday sailings in the Winter.
4. To note the information advising on why the Summer Sailings could not be extended beyond the present dates.

K. Booking at Tingwall Office

Following previous discussion with the Ferry Services Manager, members acknowledged that improvements had been made at the Booking Office, and it was:

Resolved that any further issues should be advised to Orkney Ferries.

L. Access within the Kirkyards

Mr R Friel advised members that he had inspected the damaged gate at Scockness, and noted that replacement gates would not be provided under the OIC 5 year plan, and it was:

Resolved to advertise in the Rousay Review inviting tenders for the installation of a new wooden gate similar in style to the one already in place.

4. Correspondence

A. Room in Roof Insulation Grant

Following consideration of correspondence from Insulation King, and it was:

Resolved to note the information provided.

B. Your Island, Your Choice Funding

Following consideration of correspondence from the Development Trust regarding the Your Island, Your Choice funding, it was:

Resolved to agree that the Trust should lead the project and any ideas for use of the grant should be brought forward.

5. Financial Statements

A. General Finance

Following consideration of the General Finance statement as at 19 November 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the estimated balance of £20,176

B. Community Council Grant Scheme

Following consideration of the Community Council Grant Scheme statement as at 19 November 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balances remaining for approval of £2,415.48, £117.56 and £642.

C. Community Development Fund

Following consideration of the Community Development Fund statement as at 19 November 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balance remaining for approval of £3,500.

D. Seed Corn Fund

Following consideration of the Seed Corn Fund statement as at 19 November 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balance remaining for approval of £9,035.

6. Financial Requests

A. Yoga Instructor - Boat Fare

Following consideration, by email, of a request for assistance towards travel costs for yoga instruction on the island, it was:

Resolved to fund the cost of £68 and that an application should be submitted for Community Council Grant Scheme assistance on the cost.

B. Rousay Parent Council - Christmas Request

Prior to the meeting, correspondence from the Rousay Parent Council was circulated requesting support towards the purchase of a Christmas Tree, food and drink for the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, and it was:

Resolved to award £300, subject to Community Council Grant Scheme approval.

C. Rousay Rainbows and Brownies

Following consideration of a request from 1st Rousay Rainbows and Brownies requesting assistance towards the cost of two new uniform, it was:

Resolved to award a donation of £59 towards the uniforms.

D. Wreath for Remembrance Sunday

Following consideration of the invoice and making payment towards the wreath, it was:

Resolved that the Clerk would arrange for the payment of £32 to be made.

E. Rousay Craithub - Advertising Fees

Following consideration of a request for financial assistance towards advertisement fees for the Craithub in the Orkney Islander, it was:

Resolved to award £158.40, subject to Community Council Grant Scheme assistance being granted.

7. Consultations

A. SSE Consultation Feedback

Members considered the information regarding the feedback from the consultation, and it was:

Resolved to note its contents.

B. Gambling Act 2005

Following consideration of the Gambling Act 2005, it was:

Resolved to note that members had no comments to make.

C. Verge Maintenance Plan

Following consideration of the Verge Maintenance Plan, it was:

Resolved to request earlier verge cuts as per 2018 to allow for events on Rousay.

8. Reports from Representatives

A. Planning

After hearing that there had been one planning application for the Rousay area and one that was due to be decided soon, it was:

Resolved that progress on this application would be monitored.

B. Transport

The Transport representative was not in attendance, and it was:

Resolved that any updates would be provided at the next meeting.

9. Publications

The following publications were made available to members:

- Orkney Ferries Statistics – July and September 2018.

10. Any Other Competent Business - Community Resilience

Members heard from Mr R Friel with regards to the Community Resilience plan and that there would be workshops held early 2019 for Fire Service, Ambulance crew etc to attend and draw up a plan, and it was:

Resolved to note the information discussed.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Following discussion of possible dates for the next meeting, it was:

Resolved that the next meeting would be held on Saturday, 9 February 2018 at 10:15 in Rousay Primary School and that future meetings would be held on:

- 27 April.
- 29 June.
- 31 August.
- 9 November.

12. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting concluded at 11:30.