

Minute of the Meeting of Eday Community Council held in the Eday Community School on Wednesday, 27 June 2018 at 19:30

Present:

Mrs A Byers, Mr T McCabe, Mr M Tchaikovsky, Mr M Scott and Mrs S Thompson.

In Attendance:

- Councillor S Clackson.
- Mrs J McGrath, Community Council Liaison Officer.
- Miss L Merry, Clerk.

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note that apologies for absence had been received from Mr K Redwood, Mr H Thomson and Councillors G Sinclair and K Woodbridge.

2. Adoption of Minutes

The minute of the meeting held on 23 May 2018 was approved, being proposed by Mr M Tchaikovsky and seconded by Mrs S Thompson.

3. Matters Arising

A. NHS Orkney – Nurse’s Accommodation and Doctor Provision

The Chair advised that she would continue to liaise with NHS Orkney, and that herself and Mr M Scott would visit the nurse’s house to assess the damage in the first instance. Quotes for repairs would then be obtained and it was:

Resolved to continue consideration of this item at the next meeting.

B. Scrap Cars

Members heard that letters had been sent to all those with cars to scrap through the CC scheme, and that around 20 of the cars had already been taken off the island by the haulier, to date. It was suggested to speak to the contractor before the next meeting to receive an update on how many cars were remaining, and it was:

Resolved to monitor the situation.

C. Telephone Kiosks

Members discussed a letter which had been received from Democratic Services, copies of which were distributed at the meeting, which explained that it was planned that the telephone boxes at Backaland and Hamar were to be upgraded as part of the North Isles Landscape Partnership Scheme projects. Following discussion, it was:

Resolved to request that the kiosks in Eday be considered for upgrade early in the project due to them being in a poor state of repair and potentially dangerous.

D. Eday Kirkyard

The Community Council Liaison Officer advised that no further information had been provided regarding issues at Eday Kirkyard. Members felt strongly that the kirkyard was unsafe in areas, and that action was required urgently, and it was:

Resolved the Councillor S Clackson would contact the relevant officer to progress the situation and that previous correspondence and supporting photos would be forwarded to Councillor S Clackson.

E. Aspiring Communities Fund

The Community Council Liaison Officer advised members that an application for funding towards an Island Link Officer post had been submitted to the Aspiring Communities Fund by the deadline of 1 June 2018, and that grant offers were due to be sent in early autumn. Following discussion, it was:

Resolved to await information on the outcome of the application.

4. Correspondence

A. Community Conversation Meetings

Following consideration of correspondence from Democratic Services, copies of which had previously been circulated, regarding the Community Conversation meetings, and questions which had been posed at the events, it was:

Resolved that the Chair would compose a response to the questions raised in the letter and circulate it to all members for comment.

B. Unsafe Headstones

Following consideration of correspondence from Democratic Services, copies of which had previously been circulated, advising members of work which was going to be taking place to identify and repair unsafe headstones in the county's kirkyards, members suggested that there were issues regarding headstones in the old Eday kirkyard that required attention, and it was:

Resolved that Councillor S Clackson would bring these issues up with the relevant officer at the same time as he spoke to him about issues discussed earlier at Item 3D.

C. Outer North Isles Timetable – Winter 2018

Following consideration of the Orkney Ferries winter and refit timetables for 2018, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note the timetables.

D. Letter of Thanks

The Clerk read a letter of thanks that had been received from the Year of Young People representatives, thanking the Community Council for their donation towards the Youth Event, and it was:

Resolved to note the letter of thanks.

5. Finance

A. General Fund

After consideration of the General Fund statement 2018/2019 as at 5 June 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balance was £18,219.91.

B. Community Council Grant Scheme

After consideration of the Community Council Grant Scheme statement as at 5 June 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balances of £3,246.36, £662 and £575.40 were remaining for allocation in the three capping limits.

C. Community Development Fund

After consideration of the Community Development Fund statement as at 5 June 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balance of £5,067.11 remained for allocation.

D. Seed Corn Fund

After consideration of the Seed Corn Fund statement as at 27 June 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the balance of £3,258.51 remained for allocation.

6. Application for Financial Assistance – Orkney Area Young Enterprise Team

Members considered correspondence received from the Orkney Area Young Enterprise Team, requesting financial assistance towards a trip to Glasgow for the Scottish finals. Members heard that the trip had already taken place, and that one of the team members was from Eday, and it was:

Resolved to award £150 towards next year's events.

7. Reports from Representatives

A. Planning

As the Planning Representative was not present at the meeting, it was:

Resolved that there was nothing to report.

B. Transport

The Transport Representative advised that she would be able to attend the Consultative Forum meetings in August if required, but that Mr M Scott was welcome to attend in her place if he still wished to, and it was:

Resolved that Mr M Scott would attend the Air and Ferry Service Consultative Forum meetings on behalf of Eday Community Council.

8. Consultation Documents

A. Orkney Harbour Master Plan

Members resumed consideration of the Orkney Harbour Master Plan Consultation, and it was:

Resolved that the Chair would draft a response on behalf of the Community Council and circulate it to members for further comment prior to submission.

B. Orkney Local Biodiversity Action Plan 2018-2022

After consideration of the Orkney Local Biodiversity Action Plan 2018-2022 Consultation Document, it was:

Resolved to note that the Chair would review and circulate a draft response.

9. Publications

The following publications were made available to members:

- Orkney Ferries Ltd – Statistics – January, February and March 2018.
- Loganair – Statistics – March 2018.
- THAW Orkney – WellBeing Orkney Update report.

10. Any Other Competent Business

It was reported that the first CC newsletter was circulated round the community in May, and it was:

Resolved that two newsletters per year should be distributed, and that the first update would be circulated to all three councillors for their information.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Following consideration of future meeting dates, it was:

Resolved that the next meeting of the Eday Community Council would be held on Wednesday, 29 August, commencing at 19:30.

12. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 21:10.