

Minute of the Meeting of South Ronaldsay and Burray Community Council held in St Margaret's Hope Community School on Wednesday, 31 January 2018 at 19:30

Present:

Mr R Smith, Mr D Ward, Mr A Rosie, Mr S Groundwater, Mr D Woodcock and Ms E Laird.

In Attendance:

- Councillor S Sankey.
- Mr L Fraser, Team Leader, Education, Leisure and Housing.
- Ms S Bray, Clerk.

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note that there were apologies from Councillors A Drever and N Craigie.

2. Police Scotland

Resolved to note that there was no police officer present.

3. Dissertation - Community Council Interviews

Members were interviewed by the Team Leader, Education, Leisure and Housing, with regard to the dissertation 'Exploring Community Engagement in an Island Environment'. The Team Leader subsequently left the meeting.

4. Adoption of Minutes

The minute of the meeting held on 15 November 2017 was approved, being proposed by Mr D Ward and seconded by Mr A Rosie.

5. Matters Arising

A. Propeller in Cromarty Square

Members discussed the provision of an information plaque by the propeller in Cromarty Square, and it was:

Resolved to check the date when the propeller was found and to order a plaque from Artmachine Graphics subject to the price remaining as previously quoted.

B. Hanging Baskets

Members heard an update on the costs of providing hanging baskets for St Margaret's Hope and, it was:

Resolved to obtain more prices.

C. Meeting with Hoolan Energy

Members received copies of a draft memorandum of understanding and notes from the meeting with Hoolan Energy held on 5 December 2017 and, it was:

Resolved to discuss this further at a future meeting.

6. Correspondence

A. Islander Advertisement

Members heard that an advertisement for the Smiddy Museum was to be placed in the Islander, and it was:

Resolved to note the correspondence.

B. Winter Service Plan

Members received correspondence concerning the Winter Service Plan, and it was:
Resolved to note the correspondence and that members had no comments to make.

C. Book of Remembrance

Members received correspondence concerning finding a 'home' for the Book of Remembrance for HMS Opal and HMS Narborough, and it was:

Resolved to enquire if the Fossil Centre on Burray could offer a temporary 'home' until such time as a suitable permanent place could be found.

D. Thrive Community Benefit Fund

Members received correspondence concerning the Thrive Renewables Community Benefit Fund, and it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

E. Bag the Bruck

Members considered correspondence from Democratic Services advising that the Outdoor Orkney Group was arranging the 2018 Bag the Bruck collection over a nine-day period from Saturday 21 until Sunday 29 April and, it was resolved:

1. To submit a Community Council Grant Scheme application on a project cost of £300.
2. That the £300 from the grant scheme should be split evenly between all groups that applied for funding.
3. That application forms should be forwarded to applicants for completion.

F. Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005

Members received correspondence informing them that Orkney Area Licensing Board would be carrying out a review of its Statement of Alcohol Licensing Policy and that as part of this process the Board would be consulting on whether there was an overprovision of licensed premises in localities within its area, and it was:

Resolved to note the correspondence.

7. Culture Fund Application

Members heard that a Culture Fund application for assistance with the costs of running the Smiddy Museum had been submitted and, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the report.

8. Financial Statements

A. General Finance and Smiddy Statement

Following consideration of the General Finance and Smiddy Statements, copies of which had been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note the balance of £8,798.29 in the General Fund and £1084.80 in the Smiddy Fund, as at 17 January 2018.

B. Community Council Grant Scheme Statement

Following consideration of the Community Council Grant Scheme (CCGS) Statement copies of which had been previously circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance remaining for approval was £1,594.82 at 17 January 2018.

C. Seed Corn Statement

Following consideration of the Seed Corn Statement, copies of which had been previously circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance of the Seed Corn fund had been fully allocated.

9. Financial Requests

A. Burray SWI – Over 60s Lunch

Following consideration of correspondence from Burray SWI requesting financial support for costs of the annual over 60s lunch, it was:

Resolved that a grant of £5 per head for up to a maximum of 50 people be approved to Burray SWI towards the cost of providing the annual over 60s lunch and that application should be made to Orkney Islands Council for assistance through the Community Council Grant Scheme once the numbers were known.

B. Glaitness School – Nethybridge Trip

Following consideration of correspondence requesting financial assistance towards the cost of the trip to the Nethybridge Centre for a pupil from the South Ronaldsay and Burray area, it was:

Resolved to award a donation of £30 towards the cost of the trip.

C. Outdoor Education Trip

Following consideration of correspondence from the Hope and Burray Schools requesting financial assistance towards the cost of taking 21 children on an outdoor education trip, it was:

Resolved to award a donation of £420 (£20 per head) towards the cost of the trip.

D. Kirkwall Grammar School – Youth Football Team

Following consideration of correspondence requesting financial assistance towards the cost of a trip to Manchester, it was:

Resolved to award a donation of £90 (£30 per head for each of the 3 pupils from Burray and South Ronaldsay) towards the cost of the trip.

10. Publications

The following publications were available to members:

- South Ronaldsay Community Association Minutes.
- VAO News.
- VAO Training and Funding Update.
- Orkney Policing Report.
- Spire Leaflet.
- Online Safety Leaflet.

11. Any Other Competent Business

A. Smiddy Custodian

Members discussed the recruitment of a custodian for the Smiddy Museum, and it was:

Resolved to place advertisements for the position in local shops and that the position should pay the minimum wage.

B. Smiddy Curator Fees Shortfall

Members discussed the funding of any shortfall in the Curator fees, and it was:

Resolved to request that any shortfall be funded from CCGS.

C. Dates of Future Meetings

Members discussed dates for future meetings, and it was:

Resolved that a meeting of South Ronaldsay and Burray Community Council would be arranged for Wednesday, 30 May 2018, in the Hope Community School at 19:30.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that the next meeting of South Ronaldsay and Burray Community Council would be held on Wednesday, 28 March 2018, in the Hope Community School at 19:30.

13. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting concluded at 21:15.