

Minute of the Meeting of Sanday Community Council held in Sanday Community School on Tuesday, 15 May 2018 at 19:30

Present:

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

In Attendance:

- Ms G Speers, Island Link Officer.

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note that apologies for absence had been intimated on behalf of Miss H Dakin and Councillors S Clackson, G Sinclair and K Woodbridge.

2. Adoption of Minutes

The minute of the meeting of Sanday Community Council held on 20 March 2018 was approved, being proposed by Mr P Allan and seconded by Mr J Muir, subject to the following amendment:

Item 3.F.2. should read “that the funds available to claim, per household, would be capped at £50 per annum”.

3. Matters Arising

A. Land at Kettletoft

Following consideration of a report from the Clerk advising members that the transfer of the area of land to the Trust had been agreed by Orkney Islands Council at Committee, and if the Trust wished the Community Council to purchase the area, additional information would be required to establish the ownership of this land, it was:

Resolved to note that further investigation was required by the Trust to establish ownership.

B. Old Airfield Terminal Building

No further information had been provided regarding use of the old airfield terminal building, and it was:

Resolved to note that the Community Council were awaiting an update.

C. Pier Store at Kettletoft

Members were made aware that the door of the Pier Store had still not been fixed, and it was:

Resolved to note that the Chair would discuss this with the Harbour Master and ask him to report it.

D. Various Roads

After hearing a report advising members of the ongoing work to remedy various roads issues, members reported that further work was required at the road between Baikie’s land and the bottom of Fea Brae, between Lopness viewpoint and Langamay, and between Quivals and the loch, and that these issues had been reported to the Development and Infrastructure Foreman, and it was:

Resolved to note to monitor these roads and report further when necessary.

E. Empowering Communities

Members were advised that the Island Link Officer had been given permission to use half of the notice board outside the swimming pool to display information about the Community Council. It was also noted that she had had a successful trip to Stronsay to meet their Island Link Officer, and it was:

Resolved to note the information provided.

F. White Goods and Special Collection

Following discussion of white goods and special collections, it was:

Resolved to note that boilers would not be included in this collection so residents would be responsible for disposing of them at a mainland recycling centre.

G. Lawnmower

Following a report regarding the grass cutting, it was:

Resolved to note that the contractor had started cutting.

4. Correspondence

A. THAW Orkney

Following consideration of correspondence from THAW Orkney, copies of which had previously been distributed, regarding their WellBeing Orkney report, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the report.

B. Scottish Transport Awards 2018

Following consideration of correspondence from the Executive Director, Development and Infrastructure, copies of which had previously been circulated, regarding the isles airfields being nominated for a national award, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

C. Air and Ferry Service Consultative Forum Meetings

Following consideration of correspondence from the Transportation Planner, copies of which had been previously circulated, regarding the forthcoming meetings of the Air and Ferry Service Consultative Forum, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

D. Letter of Thanks

The Clerk advised that a letter of thanks had been received from the Folk Festival, and it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

5. Financial Statements

A. General Fund

Following consideration of a financial statement for the General Fund, it was:

Resolved to note that the estimated balance was £8,599.25 as at 4 May 2018.

B. Spurness Wind Fund (Micro Grants)

Following consideration of a financial statement for the Spurness Wind Fund, it was:

Resolved to note that the estimated balance was £4,922.42 as at 4 May 2018.

C. Community Council Grant Scheme

Following consideration of a financial statement for the Community Council Grant Scheme, it was:

Resolved to note that £113.76 remained available for approval in the main capping limited for approval, as at 4 May 2018.

D. Community Development Fund

Following consideration of the financial statement for the Community Development Fund, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance remaining for approval was £4,419.68, as at 4 May 2018.

E. Seed Corn Fund

Following consideration of the financial statement for the Seed Corn Fund, it was:

Resolved to note the balance remaining available for allocation of £4,218.03, as at 4 May 2018.

6. Financial Requests

A. Sanday Community Association

The Chair declared an interest in this item and was not present during discussion thereof.

Following consideration of a request from Sanday Community Association, copies of which had previously been circulated, for financial assistance towards the purchase of a new spinal board for the swimming pool, it was:

Resolved to grant £630 towards the project, subject to CCGS approval.

B. THAW Orkney

Following consideration of correspondence requesting a donation for a project proposed across Orkney supporting vulnerable households, it was:

Resolved to make a general fund donation of £250.

C. Sanday Community Craft Hub

Mr A Towrie declared an interest in this item and was not present during discussion thereof.

Following consideration of correspondence from Sanday Community Craft Hub, copies of which had previously been circulated, requesting assistance towards setting up Sanday Community Craft Hub, it was resolved:

1. To note that members supported the application.
2. That, due to potential impact on local businesses, the full amount of the grant £1,175 be awarded with the condition that the Sanday Community Craft Hub do not sell refreshments.

D. Year of Young People

Following consideration of correspondence from Orkney's Year of Young People Ambassadors, copies of which had previously been circulated, requesting a contribution towards the cost of holding a youth concert in August, it was:

Resolved to make a general fund donation of £100.

E. Spurness Micro Grant Fund - Sanday Community School

Mr J Muir declared an interest in this item and was not present during discussion thereof.

Following consideration of an application from Sanday Community School, copies of which had previously been circulated, for financial assistance towards the travel costs for secondary pupils to Hoy for a week's residential course, members agreed to award £13 to each of the 15 pupils towards travel, and it was:

Resolved to grant £195 of CCGS towards travel, subject to Community Council Grant Scheme approval.

F. Spurness Micro Grant Fund – Isabel Walker

Following consideration of an application form from Isabel Walker, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of accommodation for 5 nights to attend a fiddle course, it was:

Resolved to grant £203 towards Isabel Walker's accommodation.

G. Spurness Micro Grant Fund – Sanday Golf Club

Following consideration of an application form from Sanday Golf Club, requesting financial assistance towards green keeping fees for summer 2018, it was:

Resolved to grant £250 towards the greenkeeper fees.

H. Spurness Community Fund – Sanday Sports Club

Following consideration of an application form from Sanday Sports Club, requesting financial assistance towards the repair of equipment in the play park allowing all the existing equipment to become operational again, members agreed that this would be a great facility for the whole community, and it was resolved:

1. To note that members supported the application.
2. That the full amount of £2,948.40 be granted.

I. Spurness Community Fund – Sanday Community Association

The Chair declared an interest in this item and was not present during discussion thereof.

Following consideration of an application form from Sanday Community Association, copies of which had previously been circulated, requesting financial assistance towards the annual operation of the summer play scheme and the purchase of new equipment, members agreed that this would provide a worthwhile service for islanders and visitors, and it was resolved:

1. To note that members supported the application.
2. That the full amount of £5,000 be granted over 2 years.

J. Sanday Gardening Club

Members heard that a letter had been received from Sanday Gardening Club which asked for assistance of £70 towards purchasing new plants, bulbs and compost for the war memorial plant boxes. Following discussion, it was:

Resolved that these expenses should come from the Community Councils own funds, namely CCGS if applicable, as the upkeep is the Community Council's responsibility and the Gardening Club kindly carry out the work and look after the planters throughout the year.

7. Consultations

A. Amended Core Paths Plan Review

Following consideration of the consultation on the amended core paths plan, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that members were in agreement that the core path to Doun Helzie had been removed due to the cliff face being high and not very accessible.

B. Orkney Harbour Master Plan

Following consideration of the consultation on the Orkney Harbour Master Plan, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved that Mrs J Seatter, Mr J Muir and Mr P Allan would meet with Sanday Development Trust to discuss and put ideas forward.

8. Reports from Representatives

A. Transport Representative

Resolved to note that there was nothing to report.

B. Planning Representative

Resolved to note the change of use of Corse's shop from a shop to a dwelling house.

C. Development Trust Representative

Resolved to note that the deadline for the job position within the Development Trust for Project Manager was 21 May 2018.

9. Publications

The following publications were made available at the meeting for members to view:

- Orkney Ferries Ltd Statistics – February 2018.
- Loganair Statistics – March 2018.
- VAO Newsletter – March 2018.
- VAO Newsletter – April 2018.
- CHILD.

10. Any Other Competent Business - Sunken Graves

Members were advised that the grass contractor had been in touch to say that all the 1990's graves were collapsing or already sunk and required to be filled up as the present condition made it awkward to cut and some were unsafe. Members wondered if it would be possible for fine earth to be provided for putting on top and letting the grass grow through, and it was:

Resolved to ask Orkney Islands Council if this was the local authority's responsibility.

11. Date of Next Meeting

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

Resolved that the next meetings would be held on Tuesday, 26 June 2018 at 19:30 in Sanday Community School.

12. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 21:42.