

# MINUTE

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**Planning Committee**  
**Council Chamber, Town Hall, Lerwick**  
**Tuesday 23 October 2012 at 10.00am**

**Present:**

F Robertson	M Bell
P Campbell	S Coutts
B Fox	A Manson
D Ratter	D Sandison

**Also:**

J Wills	V Wishart
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**Apologies:**

G Robinson

**In Attendance (Officers):**

M Boden, Chief Executive  
J Holden, Team Leader - Development Management  
J Wiseman, Planning Officer  
A Maclean, Planning Officer  
L Adamson, Committee Officer

**Chair**

Mr F Robertson, Chair of the Planning Committee, presided.

**Circular**

The circular calling the meeting was held as read.

The Team Leader - Development Management reported that since the last Planning Committee on 27 September, 30 Planning Applications had been determined under delegated authority.

**Declarations of Interest**

Mr P Campbell advised of an interest in the first application of Item 1, “2012/290/VCON – To vary condition No. 1 of permission 2010/380/PCD, Shetland College, North Gremista Industrial Estate, Lerwick, Shetland, ZE1 0PX”, as Vice-Chair of the Shetland College Board. Mr D Ratter indicated a similar interest as Chair of the Shetland College Board, and advised that he would take part in the debate.

25/12 **Minutes**

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2012 on the motion of Mr Campbell, seconded by Mr Robertson.

26/12 **Applications for Planning Permission for Local Developments where Determination cannot be taken by Appointed Person under Approved Scheme of Delegation:**

The Committee considered a report by the Team Leader – Development Management [RECORD Appendix 1].

- **2012/290/VCON - To vary condition No.1 of permission 2010/380/PCD, Shetland College, North Gremista Industrial Estate, Lerwick, Shetland, ZE1 0PX by Shetland Islands Council**

In introducing the application, the Team Leader – Development Management advised that the variation to a condition previously approved related to substitute plans for the extension connecting the corridor link and to the design of the welcome area.

The Committee approved the application on the motion of Mr Ratter, seconded by Mr Bell.

- **2012/302/PPF - Installation of Biomass Heat Cabin and associated district heating underground pipework, All Weather Pitch Car Park, Brae, Shetland, ZE2 9QJ by Northfish (Shetland) Ltd.**

The Committee approved the application on the motion of Mr Ratter, seconded by Ms Manson.

## 27/12 **Applications for Consent to Display Advertisements where Determination cannot be taken by Appointed Person under Approved Scheme of Delegation:**

The Committee considered a report by the Team Leader – Development Management [RECORD Appendix 2].

The Team Leader – Development Management advised that the three applications presented today form part of a total of six applications that had been submitted to mount interpretive boards to form a shipwreck trail around Bressay. Three applications have reached the stage to be reported on today as the size and quality of the signs have been confirmed, and these applications are recommended for approval with conditions attached.

Having received an indication that Dr Wills wished to make some observations on the applications, the Chair invited Dr Wills to the table.

Dr Wills spoke in support of the application, and advised on how well the Bressay school pupils and teachers had taken the project forward.

During the discussion, some Members expressed concern regarding the complicated and bureaucratic planning process that has had to be followed for applications of this nature, and that the 3 further applications had not been presented to today's meeting, which has resulted in the project being delayed. The Team Leader – Development Management explained that the three applications had not been presented to Committee as issues had been raised by the Roads Service regarding visibility, and clarification had been required on the precise dimensions of some of the signs, and the information had not been provided in time for the applications to be assessed and reported to this meeting. He added that planning rules and regulations have to be followed, and that the Planning Service cannot act as the applicant's agent, but provide information and assist as much as possible during the process.

- **2012/293/ADV - Erect signboard, Bressay Lighthouse, Kirkabister, Bressay, Shetland, ZE2 9ER by Bressay Primary School**

The Committee approved the application on the motion of Mr Bell, seconded by Mr Campbell.

- **2012/294/ADV - Erect signboard, Cruester, Bressay, Shetland, ZE2 9EW by Bressay Primary School**  
The Committee approved the application on the motion of Mr Bell, seconded by Mr Campbell.
- **2012/296/ADV - Erect 2 no. signboards, Ward Hill, Bressay, Shetland, ZE2 9ER by Bressay Primary School**  
The Committee approved the application on the motion of Mr Bell, seconded by Mr Campbell.

The meeting concluded at 10.15am

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Chair