

NORTHMAVEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minute of Ordinary Meeting of the Northmaven Community Council on 7th April 2025 held in Urafirth Primary School.

This minute is UNAPPROVED until adopted at the next meeting

Present:
Cllr D Brown
Cllr R Doull
Cllr G Anderson
Cllr D Robertson
Cllr J Parry
Cllr E Robertson

Ex Officio Present:
Cllr A Hall

Apologies Submitted:
Cllr B Wilcock
Cllr R McGeady
Ms L Hall - SIC
Mr M Duncan - SIC

In attendance:
Mrs C Anderson – Clerk

The meeting started at: 19.32
Cllr D Brown in the Chair.

Agenda Item	Narrative
2. Declarations of Interest.	Cllr J Parry any SCBF Business Cllr D Brown any NDCS Business
3. Approval Of Previous Minute	Cllr D Robertson approved, Cllr J Parry seconded
4. Police Report	No report received
5. Banking	Maree is working on adding Cllr D Brown and Clerk to the banking account before attempting to remove anyone. Cllr R Doull suggested escalating it to a case manager.
6. SCBF Applications	No applications this month
7. Matters Arising	Eela Water / Roads Cllrs agreed that it had been a good discussion with Mr N Hutchieson at the last meeting. The cattle grids at the Ollaberry Hall and the Hillswick Junction were raised again. Cllr D Robertson suggested getting in touch with Marvin Smith at SIC. Action: Clerk to contact Marvin Smith

	<p>Collafirth Pier Cllr A Hall said that a North Roe resident had been in touch with him about the state of the pier. CClr D Brown and CClr D Robertson said that compounds would be the best solution, with CClr D Robertson stating it worked well in Waas.</p> <p>Planning Application No planning applications received this month</p> <p>War Memorial Clerk had looked into funding available from the War Memorial Trust and needed to create a record before being able to apply. Action: Clerk to get photos and create record</p> <p>Visitor Levy Consultation No update</p> <p>Community Resilience Plans No update Action: Clerk to invite Ian Taylor to the next meeting</p> <p>Public and School Bus Business Case Clerk had looked for the consultation but couldn't find it on the SIC website. Action: Clerk to ask for extension</p> <p>VoiceAbility Clerk had emailed with upcoming meeting dates but not had a response so far.</p> <p>Transport Planning No update</p> <p>Redundant car removal No update</p> <p>Marine Restoration and Enhancement Action Plan No update</p> <p>School Transport An email received from Maggie Sandison had been circulated prior to the meeting. CClr D Robertson said that the driver had to get out and open the door at each stop. There had been no other complaints.</p>
<p>8.Community Council Scheme Review</p>	<p>CCllr D Brown updated those present that the Northmaven CC would continue to have 9 seats. He also said that the constitution had been adopted on the 25th March 2025. CClr J Parry said he had read through it and it seemed fine. Cllr A Hall said that allowing 12 year olds on the community council was the biggest change. CClr D Brown said that if anyone under the age of 16 who wanted to join the CC then Community Development at the Council had to be informed. The limit on how many people can be co-opted has also</p>

	<p>been removed. CClr R Doull asked if community councillors would need a PVG if there were younger members. Cllr A Hall said that the council had decided it wasn't necessary since community council meetings are public. Cllr A Hall added that community councils would need to write an annual report alongside the accounts. CClr D Brown suggested everyone read through it so it could be signed off at the next meeting. CClr J Parry asked when the next election is and CClr D Brown informed everyone it is in November 2025.</p>
<p>9. Correspondence</p>	<p>Andrew Hall Update – CClrs thanked Cllr A Hall for his update that had been circulated prior to the meeting. Action: Share to NCC facebook</p> <p>Neshion Energy Park – CClrs agreed that the proposed sight would be visible from Northmavine. CClr R Doull asked for clarity on where the site will be located. Cllr A Hall said it would sit behind the Totale Gas Plant with an access route through the plant. He added that the turbine will be 200m high and only 1.2km from some people's homes. He said that there was concern from residents due to the wind turbine frequency affecting health. CClr J Parry said that it is easy to dismiss folks concerns when you can't feel or hear it personally but it does really affect people. CClr E Robertson added that any flicker disturbance will be included in the EIA. Although NCC are not a statutory consultee, community councillors thought a response was necessary due to the visual impact it would have. Cllr A Hall added that Delting CC had included the risk to peatland and red throated divers. Action: Clerk to send response</p> <p>ASCC Meeting – CClr D Brown had attended the last meeting and gave a quick update. The presentation about the Viking Genes project had been postponed. The presentation on alcohol and drug use in Shetland slides could be shared to anyone interested. Core Paths – SIC are looking for information on how core paths could be improved. CClr D Brown suggested everyone looked at core paths in Northmavine and highlighted any locally known issues. Burial Grounds – There are less than 10 plots available in the old Hillswick cemetery. Cllr A Hall said that it had been raised at the meeting as an existing policy reminder. Agenda for the next ASCC meeting – currently there was internal ferries/ external travel and roads on the agenda for the 10th June 2025. CClr D Brown said he thought Viking Energy were meant to pay towards road upkeep. CClr G Anderson said he thought this was meant to happen too but as far as he was aware hadn't. Action: Clerk to circulate core paths in Northmavine</p> <p>Changing Places Funding Clerk informed those present that the closest changing places toilet was located at the Voe community hall. There was a discussion between Community Councillors about potential sites</p>

	<p>in Northmavine. CClr D Brown suggested getting in touch with each hall. Collafirth Pier was also suggested as an option.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to contact halls.</p> <p>Funding for Carers breaks</p> <p>Action: Share on facebook page</p>
10. AOCB	<p>Digital Switch Over</p> <p>CClrs discussed community concerns around the digital switch over with people having problems with the new electricity meters being installed due to no mobile signal and solutions such as installing starlink are expensive. CClrs agreed the looming date was also causing worry for some residents. Cllr A Hall said that Alistair Carmichael had brought up the issue in parliament. There was also a discussion around R100 with CClr D Brown saying that the next phase did not include Eshaness but did include Uyea and the some of the lights in Yell Sound. He added that Craig Johnson had done a lot of research for NCDC and he would try to get more information for the next meeting.</p> <p>Action: CClr D Brown to get information from Craig Johnson</p>
12. Date and time of next meeting	Monday 19 th April in the Ollaberry Primary School at 7.30pm.

The meeting ended at: 20.34