

Sandwick Community Council

Minute of Meeting held at 7:30pm on 20th January 2026

Meeting held at Hoswick Visitor Centre

Members Present Kevin Sandison, Yvonne Malcolmson, Debbie Jamieson, Janet Dunnet, Jim Leask and Ally Hall.

Apologies None

In Attendance Councillor Robbie McGregor

Clerk Melanie Flaws (temporary clerk providing cover)

Agenda Item **Narrative**

1. Circular and welcome The Chair welcomed everyone.

2. Apologies None received.

3. Declarations of interest None.

4. Minutes of Previous meeting Minutes were approved by KS and YM.

5. Matters arising from previous minute

- a. Sandsayre toilets - Clerk updated the committee that an email has been sent to Estate Operations at SIC and DJ and SB have been copied into that. No response as yet.

- b. Roads issue at central garage. Clerk has emailed Roads around concerns for pedestrians. No response as yet.

- c. Garden waste - KS confirmed that Paula Nicolson from Waste Services will attend the meeting in March. Also Clerk confirmed the 'Climate Change yarns' video has been shared on facebook.
- d. Shetland Indoor Arena - Clerk has sent a letter of support.
- e. Environmental Health Support regarding combatting dog mess – Billy Mycock meeting with YM and CA.

6. Participatory budgeting

DJ gave a presentation on PB. Pot of funding totalling £45k and suggested the CC apply for £7.5k to seek to understand the vulnerable areas in Sandwick that will be affected by coastal erosion. A LiDar survey was completed for the whole of Shetland 15 years ago and the results could be interpreted by specialists before they can suggest preventative measures. Clerk/ DJ to send a request for quotes. Once received an application can be submitted for funding. Tight timescales as PB application deadline is 11 February 2026.

Action: Clerk/ DJ to email for three quotes for specialist advice and submit application to PB.

7. Domain Expiration Notice

SandwickCC.org domain name is due to expire. This is not currently used by CC and there are no plans to create a website. Therefore it was agreed that this should be left to expire and not renewed.

8. Finance Report

Update on current financial picture shared. YM queried how old the two unrepresented cheques were.

Action: Clerk to confirm dates of cheques.

9. Police Report

None received this month or last month.

Action: Clerk to advise Councillor A Duncan

10. Planning Report

None received

11. Any other business

- a. Snow clearing – KS confirmed that Sandwick has no provision for snow clearance for the paths from the council. Both Scalloway and Brae receive some provision. The gritter does come through Sandwick and into Hoswick but there are some roads not cleared such as the school road, Park road, Leebotton and the Sanick road.

Action: Clerk to email Councillor Robbie McGregor with details of roads affected by heavy snow which were not cleared.

- b. Scalloway pool closure – Clerk to email SRT to enquire into future plans for Sandwick pool.

Action: Clerk to email SRT.

**The next meeting is on Tuesday 24th February 2026 at 7.30 pm in Hoswick Visitor Centre.
Future meeting dates are:**

Tuesday 24th March

Tuesday 28th April

Tuesday 26th May

Tuesday 23rd June

Tuesday 25th August

Tuesday 22nd September

Tuesday 27th October

Tuesday 24th November

There are no meetings in July or December