

**Special Shetland Islands Council – 21 May 2026**  
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Item	Subject	Decision
1	Statutory Report: Best Value in Shetland Islands Council	<p>The Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NOTED and considered the contents of Shetland Islands Council, Best Value Report, March 2026 (Appendix 1)</li> <li>• RESOLVED to accept the Controller of Audit’s Recommendations as set out in Shetland Islands Council, Best Value Report, March 2026 (Page 6 onwards)</li> <li>• RESOLVED to accept the Findings of the Accounts Commission on that Report (Pages 4 and 5)</li> <li>• RESOLVED to approve the proposed actions to take in response as set out in the draft Best Value Improvement Plan (Appendix 2).</li> </ul>
2	Proposed Living Lerwick Business Improvement District (BID) Ballot	<p>The Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NOTED receipt by the Council of the Business Improvement District (BID) renewal proposals in a renewal ballot as set out at Appendix 1 (hereinafter referred to as the “BID proposals” for convenience) pursuant to regulation 5(2)(a) of the Business Improvement Districts (Scotland) Regulations 2007 (hereinafter the “2007 Regulations”);</li> <li>• DETERMINED not to exercise the Council’s statutory right of veto (per regulation 14 of the 2007 Regulations) relative to the BID proposals;</li> <li>• DETERMINED that the reasons relied upon for declining to exercise the right of veto referred at paragraph 1.1.2 of the report are captured by, and reflect, those findings as set out across Appendices 4 and 5;</li> </ul>

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|  |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• INSTRUCTED the Council's returning officer to hold the BID renewal ballot for a proposed fourth term of a BID for Lerwick town centre and to take any such other actions or measures as the returning officer may deem to be reasonably necessary or expedient in connection therewith;</li><li>• DETERMINED that the Council, by virtue of being a heritable proprietor of premises located within the BID, shall not abstain from voting in any ballot (as organised pursuant to paragraph 1.1.5 of the report) for a proposed fourth term of a BID for Lerwick town centre; and thereafter,</li><li>• DETERMINED that the Council, by virtue of being a heritable proprietor of premises located within the BID, shall vote in any ballot (as organised pursuant to paragraph 1.1.5 of the report) for a proposed fourth term of a BID for Lerwick town centre and that all such votes shall be cast in favour of renewal of the proposals as referenced at paragraph 1.1.1 of the report;</li><li>• GRANTED delegated authority to the Director of Development Services (or his nominee) to take all such steps as may be deemed necessary to give effect to the Council's determination pursuant to paragraph 1.1.6.1 of the report.</li></ul> |
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