

Sandwick Community Council

Minute of Meeting held at 7:30pm on 26th May 2026

Meeting held at Hoswick Visitor Centre

Members Present	Kevin Sandison, Jimmy Smith, Ally Hall, Claire Adams, Jim Leask
Apologies	Janet Dunnet, Yvonne Malcolmson, Debbie Jamieson
In Attendance	Councillor Robbie McGregor (on Teams); Lynsey Hall and Kimberley McNeillie from Sandwick Community Hub (SCH), previously k/a Sandwick Youth and Community Centre
Clerk	Joanne Jamieson
Agenda Item	Narrative
1. Circular and welcome	The Chair welcomed everyone.
2. Apologies	Janet Dunnet, Yvonne Malcolmson, Debbie Jamieson
3. Declarations of interest	AH declared an interest in the grant application from SCH JL and CA declared an interest in the grant application from Sandwick Social and Economic Development Company
4. Minutes of Previous meeting	Minutes were approved by JS and seconded by AH
5. Grants (moved to allow for guests to	LH and KM from SCH delivered a presentation on the work undertaken to improve the old SYCC building, rebrand as the Sandwick Community Hub and to revitalise the activities within it. The building is used by a range of groups, with additional activities and services planned. LH and KM left at 8 pm.

deliver presentation)	CC considered two grant applications and options to draw on future years' funding pot. Sandwick Community Hub grant application: AH declared an interest and did not take part in discussions or voting. JS moved to grant the award in full, seconded by KS. Sandwick Social and Economic Development Co: JL and CA declared an interest. JS moved to grant the award in full, seconded by KS.
6. SEPA consultation and feedback	Standard response noted. Closed, remove from agenda.
7. Defibrillators	Identified the option to provide training for free. RM highlighted the need to ensure that CPR training was included in the defibrillator training. Action: Clerk to contact community groups, volunteers and staff at Fire Station, Social Club, SSSEDCo, football team, SCH, shop and Hoswick businesses to understand the level of interest then find dates for scheduling the training.
8. Participatory budgeting	Participatory budgeting – keep on the agenda.
9. Grants review	Grant application form and process. CC considered responses to date, and agreed to wait until more replies were received. The requirement to acknowledge Sandwick Community Council on project publicity and/or website was identified.
10. Roads	Discussed responses received from Roads regarding the request for a French drain, extending street-lighting at the bottom of the Houlland Road, and the school's faulty speed limit sign. CC asked the Clerk to write again to Roads about the street lighting issue. Action: Clerk to write again to NH at Roads about the gap in street lighting
11. Finance report Appendix C	Noted
12. Police report Appendix B	Not due until end of June
13. Planning applications	None received
14. Any Other Business	a. Dog fouling. CA and YM met with Billy Mycock about the issue. Posters by school bairns in Lerwick noted. CC asked that the Clerk discuss whether this is something that Sandwick JHS could help co-ordinate/ participate in. BM at Environmental Health might be able to source a budget.

Action: Clerk to speak with Head at Sandwich JHS, speak with BM re funding for signage.

b. Speed sign discussed, noted.

c. Shetland Partnership Plan process noted.

**The next meeting is on Tuesday 23rd June 2026 at 7.30 pm in Hoswick Visitor Centre.
Future meeting dates are:**

Tuesday 25th August

Tuesday 22nd September

Tuesday 27th October

Tuesday 24th November

Tuesday 19th January 2027

Tuesday 23rd February 2027

Tuesday 23rd March 2027

There are no meetings in July or December

Grant fund availability

Shetland Community Benefit Fund's Community Grant Scheme for Sandwich (to August 2026) **is now fully allocated and will reopen to new applications in August**, when around £4,322 is anticipated to be available.

Awards made 25/26

- Local Place Planning event – venue hire, printing - £300
- GAETS – signage and path improvements - £500
- Sandwich Fun Day – marquee ends - £442
- Sandwich Community Hub – plans and building warrant for gym and reconfiguration - ££17,297
- Sandwich Social and Economic Development Co for updated furniture and new fridge - £4,235

Sandwich Community Council small grant scheme will be relaunched and publicised shortly. For 26/27 - £1,775 is expected to be available.