

NORTHMAVEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minute of Ordinary Meeting of the Northmaven Community Council on 13th July 2026 held in the Ollaberry Hall.

This minute is UNAPPROVED until adopted at the next meeting

Present:	Ex Officio Present:
CCllr R McGeady	Cllr A Hall
CCllr G Anderson	Cllr E MacDonald
CCllr I Arthur	
CCllr D Robertson	
	In attendance:
	Mrs C Anderson – Clerk

Apologies Submitted:
CCllr J Parry
CCllr R Doull
CCllr D Brown
Mr M Duncan – Community Development
Ms L Hall – Community Development

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The meeting started at: 19.32
CCllr R McGeady in the Chair.

Agenda Item	Narrative
2. Declarations of Interest	CCllr R McGeady for any NCDL or Hjaltsland Housing Association business
3. Approval Of Previous Minute	Approved by CCllr D Robertson, Seconded by CCllr G Anderson
4. Police Report	A report from April & May was circulated prior to the meeting. There had been 3 incidents – fraud and 2 concerns for a person.
5. Road Grants	There was a discussion about the applications submitted. The clerk said that £3000 was the budget. CCllrs agreed to the clerk altering the percentage offered to get as close to £3000. Action: Clerk to send out award letters
6. Matters Arising	SSEN Consultations continue with events happening at the end of July, beginning of August. CCllrs noted that a survey boat had been sited around Islesburgh. Digital Switchover No update Speed limits Cllr A Hall said there is a scheme to replace school speed signs that is ongoing.

	Action: Clerk to email for update Sullom Voe Masterplan No update Winter icy roads No update Active Travel Project – Hillswick Questions raised at the May meeting were answered via email. The budget cut was only to the revenue aspect of the project and the potential infrastructure projects should still go ahead. A prioritised programme of projects will be available in the Autumn. Lerwick Power cut There was a discussion around the need for better maintenance on the back up generators across Shetland.
7. Community Resilience Plan	CCllr I Arthur said he had gotten names for folk willing to be contacts in Hillswick. CCllr R McGeady said to email over the information to the clerk. CCllr D Robertson asked to be emailed what was required. Action: CCllr I Arthur to send over information to the clerk. Clerk to email information to CCllr D Robertson
9. Correspondence	Viking Community Fund - Bursary Fund The fund is available to support young people aged 16–25 who are either: • Studying full-time at UHI Shetland, or • Undertaking a local apprenticeship Deadline for applications is the 31st July. Clerk has posted on social media. 2026 SURF Awards Open for Applications The 5 categories this year are: • Community Led Regeneration • Creative Regeneration • Improving Scotland's Places • Removing Barriers to Employability • Housing and Regeneration The deadline for applications is 5pm on Monday 7th September. Follow up responses to May's meeting – SSEN SSEN had been in touch with answers to questions raised at the May meeting. Q. What is the maximum length of the HDD? e.g. 1600m • An HDD is very challenging beyond 1500 metres Could we set the HDD compound back from the shore? • The compound contains the HDD drill boreholes, that means, that if you end up setting the drill compound further away from the shoreline you will reduce the amount of drill length within the sea.

	• As an example, if your HDD drill length is 1500 metres, you could theoretically place the drill compound 500 metres inland, but you will only be able to get 1000 metres out into the sea. • The aim is to reduce the HDD drill length as much as possible, whilst being able to reach a sufficient water depth for cable installation e.g. 20 metre water depth, and this is often done by moving the compound that contains the HDD drill boreholes, as close to the water edge as possible. Q. Was the Weisdale Voe (HVDC Link 1) an OCT and HDD? • The Shetland HVDC link 1 was installed via the open cut trench (OCT) methodology Grants and Funding Newsletter - July 2026 Round up of funding currently open. INVITATION - Shetland Islands Citizens Advice Bureau Annual General Meeting 2026 Wednesday, 19 August 2026 at 7.00 pm – CClrs to respond to the email if they plan to attend.
10. AOCB	CCllr I Arthur said a member of the community had spoken with him about the potholes around Orbister but he had noticed that these have since been repaired.
11. Date and time of next meeting	Monday 3 rd August 2026 at 7.30pm in the Ollaberry Hall. CCllr D Robertson gave his apologies.

The meeting ended at: 19.54