NORTHMAVEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minute of Ordinary Meeting of the Northmaven Community Council on 5th October 2026 held in the Ollaberry Primary School.

This minute is UNAPPROVED until adopted at the next meeting

Present:
CCllr J Parry (online)
CCllr G Anderson
CCllr R McGeady
CCllr D Brown
CCllr D Robertson

Ex Officio Present:
Cllr A Hall

In attendance:
Mrs C Anderson – Clerk

Apologies Submitted:
Mr M Duncan – Community Development
Cllr E MacDonald
CCllr R Doull
CCllr E Robertson

The meeting started at: 19.30
CCllr R McGeady in the Chair.

Agenda Item	**Narrative**
2. Declarations of Interest	CCllr J Parry any NCDC or SCBF business, CCllr R McGeady and NCDC business, CCllr D Brown any NCDC business.
3. Approval Of Previous Minute	Minutes from the 9th September 2026 with correction, CCllr D Robertson had been missed off the attendance, approved by CCllr D Robertson, seconded by CCllr D Brown.
4.Police Report	A police report for August/September 2026 There had been three concerns for a person.
5. Proposed Meeting Dates for 2027	The clerk had circulated proposed meeting dates for 2027. These were agreed by all present.
6. Resilience Plan	CCllr R Doull had sent through the Sullom contacts. CCllr D Robertson passed the Eshaness contacts over at the meeting. CCllr G Anderson updated CCllrs that one of his contacts was checking if it would be a conflict of interest with his job. **Action: Clerk to collate and share plan ahead of next meeting.**
7. Local Place Plan	The clerk updated those present that the Northmavine Local Place Plan is nearly complete and that she has a meeting with David Wood from Planning Aid Scotland and Peter Mogridge from SIC on Thursday 8th October. CCllr R McGeady asked when it would get sent out. The clerk thought within the next 2 weeks. CCllr R McGeady urged all CCllrs to share the plan with the community and get folk to engage with the consultation. He also suggested

	contacting the Shetland Times and Shetland News when the consultation was open.
8. 2025/26 Accounts	The completed 2025/26 accounts had been shared ahead of the meeting. CCllr J Parry pointed out there was nearly £2k left over. The clerk said that she hadn't done environment payments and that the community council could allocate more to the local grants budget. CCllrs were happy with the accounts and CCllr R McGeady signed them.
9. Community Council Energy Convention	CCllr J Parry gave an update from the convention meeting in August, the ASCC has been working with Moraig Lyall and Alistair Carmichael to rewrite the moratorium to have a more Shetland focus. Hannah Mary Goodlad is now the only party representative who has not signed the document. CCllr R McGeady asked if it would be shared in the local press. CCllr J Parry said the next ASCC meeting will be in November, and it will be shared after that. He added that it had already been shared with the council.
10. Matters Arising	**Roads** CCllr D Brown asked if there had been an update about the road conditions around the Eela Water Works. CCllr R McGeady updated those present that it was up to Scottish Water to organise the repairs on the road. He added that the other issues raised at the last meeting would be addressed. **OPEN** CCllr J Parry asked if there had been any follow up from the presentation from OPEN at the last meeting. CCllr D Brown said he had spoken with OPEN through his work and CCllr R McGeady said that NCDC would be getting in touch with them. **SSEN** No update **Sullom Voe Masterplan** No update **Active Travel Project – Hillswick** The clerk had attended an Active Travel forum meeting on Thursday 1st October. There wasn't much update, SIC continue to work on designs.
11. Correspondence	**2025-2026 Annual Report - Shetland Islands Citizens Advice Bureau** Staff from CAB will attend the December meeting. **National Islands Plan – poster** A poster had been shared to publicise the new island plan which was published in February 2026. **Action: Clerk to print and distribute** **Shetland Community – Energy Network** Rural Energy Hub worker Jade Wilson had given an update following the meeting held in August.

	Shetland Unified Statement The statement discussed in item 9. **VAS Volunteering Awards 2026** Nominations are welcome for anyone who volunteers or helps out in their community. Closing date is the 12th October. **Collafirth Pier Cleanup** SIC Port staff have recently been out to Collafirth and placed signs on various items that appear abandoned on the approach road near the pier and asked if the information could be shared. CCllr G Anderson said he thought they had done a clean up recently. CCllr D Brown said it had only been items left on the pier and had not included alongside the road. **Postbox** An email had been received asking if there was any update on the postbox that has been removed at Urafirth. **Action: Clerk to contact Royal Mail for an update.** **Proposed Energy Developments, Cumulative Impact Assessment** A letter had been received from Neil Grant in response to the questions raised at the last community council meeting. CCllr R McGeady said the letter was a waste of time and energy because it did not answer the questions that were asked. CCllr R McGeady offered to draft a response which would be shared to CCllrs for comment. There was a discussion around what was happening in other areas of the country and the scepticism around the number of jobs that will come out of these developments. CCllr J Parry added that a response should be shared with ASCC too. **Action: R McGeady to draft a response and circulate**
12. AOCB	CCllr D Robertson said that the wood was missing from the side of the Ronas Voe cattlegrid. **Action: Clerk to contact roads** CCllr D Brown brought up the car that has been left in the carpark at the Hillswick Junction. CCllr G Anderson said he had already reported it to Environmental Health and was informed it had already been reported. CCllr J Parry highlighted vehicles in North Roe.
13. Date and time of next meeting	Monday 2nd November 7.30pm in the North Roe Primary School The clerk asked if the December meeting could be moved forward by a week to the 29th November. Those present agreed to the amendment.

The meeting ended at: 20.04