Fetlar Community Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT FETLAR HALL
(subject to the approval of the next Fetlar Community Council Meeting)
On Tuesday 20th October at 7.45 pm
(WITH A TEAM'S OPTION TO JOIN REMOTELY)

PRESENT	**IN ATTENDANCE**
James Rendall	Juliet Bellis
Lucy Cummings	Tim O'Dell
Roy Buckland	
Mike Fogarty	
Cllr Robert Thomson	(via Teams)
Sue O'Dell Clerk Fetlar Community Council	

Apologies

Russell Simpson, Michael Duncan SIC External Funding Officer, Frances Browne SIC Community Development

1. Approvals

The minutes of the meeting held on September 15th were agreed, proposed by Lucy and seconded by Mike.

2. Declarations of interest

None

3. Ongoing Business

3.1 Fetlar Handyman

Peerie Tom has still not been given a start date for the job and Carl Symons had hoped to have him on by the middle of September but HR seem to be dragging their feet. Robert said he will speak to Carol and |Juliet will chase through Islands of Small Populations.

3.2 Fetlar School

There is to be a meeting on October 30th with the Education Department which will be held via Teams. It was agreed that the clerk would attend to take notes.

There was a discussion on the fabric of the school and how much work would be needed to bring it back to a functional state.

There has been a discussion with the parent, the owner of the mini bus and Russell regarding getting the child to Baltasound school a couple of times a week and then the child having work packs to do on the other days which is what happened during "Lock down"

3.3 Dial A Ride.

Robert advised that the Council would provide the vehicle once the contact was resolved.

|Robert agreed to speak to Elaine in Transport about Russell continuing to drive the taxi.

Mike suggested another person needs to be employed because Russell can't work 7 days a week and to cover when Russell is not available. It was explained that there was already a relief driver in place.

3.4 IT Connectivity

Robert explained he has received an email from BT which outlines their plans until the end of the year and he will send it on.

3.5 Fetlar Place Plan

Lucy circulated the place plan together with the statutory information notice. She confirmed that the statutory notice would be re-issued to all councillors the following day by email with a copy of the plan together with notice to the adjoining community councils. Robert asked where the plan would be online and Lucy confirmed it would be available on the Fetlar website. All comments will be returned to the clerk for review at the next community council meeting.

3.6 Islands with Small Populations (Issues Log)

Juliet will speak to the Islands with Small Populations about the Fetlar Handyman and the Dial A Ride.

3.7 Ferries

Mike asked Robert about replacement ferries as the current stock is old and showing signs of age. Robert said we don't have money for new ferries and its going to be a challenge. A discussion about the technical aspects and Saxavord being the key to the Bluemull tunnel to Unst. No definite timeline on the possible timeline but maybe 6 – 7 years.

3.8 SIC Housing

There are currently two one bed houses and one two bed house available (SIC have the two bed in case there is a need for the ferries but they would be willing to give it up if necessary).

The council has been round and tidied up around Stakkafletts and it was agreed that it does look much improved.

3.9 Brough Lodge

The planning permission for Brough Lodge was due to be discussed at the planning committee on 22nd September but this was cancelled so not yet discussed.

Financial Update

4.1 Finance Report

There is currently £4814.50 in the account as of 30th September.

The clerk will be paid August and September this week.

Clerk Invoice agreed

AOCB

NHS follow up Teams meeting will be held on 9th November at Fetlar Hall at 13.00. Lucy will set up the meeting via her laptop on the screen in the Club room. All councillors are welcome to attend.

James asked about the parking provision outside of Gord and the shop when there will be 8 bedrooms once Gord is refurbished. Lucy explained there will be demarcation lines for the parking outside.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday the 17th of November at 7.45pm