

**Skerries Community Council**  
**Minute of meeting held at 3.30 pm on Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022.**  
**Meeting held through Web-ex**

**Members present:**

Douglas Anderson (Chair)  
Bertha Anderson  
Frances Anderson  
Marina Anderson  
Janice Hughson  
Marina Tait

**In attendance:**

Violet McQuade, Clerk (notes).  
Pat Christie, SIC Community & Development Officer

**1) Apologies**

Michael Duncan.

**2) Declaration of Interest to any Agenda Item**

Chairman asked for declaration of interests - none received.

**3) Minutes of last Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022, were approved.  
Proposed by Marina Anderson, seconded by Bertha Anderson.

**4) Matters Arising**

- Pat to ask about getting legal advice re ownership of kirk – *ongoing*.
  - Clerk request a feasibility study re electricity for Skerries – *Contacted representative in Fair Isle, and sent an email on 26<sup>th</sup> April – this has been followed up by F Stirling.*
  - Pat to arrange Assets/Property rep to visit Skerries – *visit arranged for 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022*
- Other matters arising to be dealt with on the agenda.

**5) Finance**

**5.1 Application for Distribution Fund**

Violet confirmed that she had applied for £3,000 from the council's Distribution Fund. This money has been approved, and is now in the Skerries Community Council's bank account – the money came into the account on the 20<sup>th</sup> May. An application form has to be submitted by any group that wants money from the fund. Violet to inform groups that the money is now available, and check with Michael Duncan about the form.

**5.2 Application for money to hire skips**

The application (for £1,000) was submitted on the 18<sup>th</sup> May. This is subject to approval, it will take several weeks before we know if we have been successful.

**5.2 2021/2022 Accounts**

The Annual Accounts for 2021-2022 are now ready, and were circulated to members. The Accounts were approved by Douglas Anderson, seconded by Frances Anderson. Violet will get the accounts signed and sent on to Michael Duncan.

**6) Update on nursing situation**

The Health Care Support Worker is to start work for Skerries on the 4<sup>th</sup> July. Some members have been told that the new Health Care Support Worker will be coming to Skerries for a visit tomorrow (27<sup>th</sup> May). Workmen have been to Skerries, bringing the nurse's house up to standard. This includes new floor coverings, new window and front door, as well as painting being done on the house.

**7) Shetland Community Benefit Fund (SCBF) Form**

After discussion it was agreed that Douglas would complete the form for the SCBF survey, and ask the other members for agreement before submitting the final draft to SCBF.

**Action: DA - complete SCBF form**

**8) Scottish Passport**

After some discussion it was agreed that Skerries would take part in this project. Violet to inform the administrators.

**Action: VM - contact Scottish Passport administrators**

**9) Correspondence Received**

All correspondence has been circulated electronically.

**10) AOCB**

**10.1 Ferry – proposed timetable**

No update on the proposed new timetable. It was agreed to ask Michael Craigie for an update on what is happening with the proposed timetable (submitted on the 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022).

**Action: VM - contact Michael Craigie**

After discussion, it was agreed to request that the Saturday morning timetable be changed from 10.00 am to 9.30 am. This had been requested several years ago, but has never been agreed by the ferry operators. The 9.30 am run for Saturday was included on the proposed timetable that was submitted in March 2022.

**10.2 Work on fishermen's store**

The work is still to be done. It had been hoped that a resident of Skerries could be found to carry out the work, but this has not been possible. Violet has been in contact with Clare Christey, but so far has not heard back from her. Violet to ask for an update.

**Action: VM - contact Clare Christey**

- 11) Date of the next meeting** – the next meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022. This will be a face-to-face meeting in the Skerries Hall. Tracy Anne Anderson will be in Skerries that day and can attend the meeting to give input.

**Actions**

DA – complete and submit SCBF form

VM - contact Scottish Passport administrators

VM - contact Michael Craigie re ferry/timetable situation, and request 9.30 run on Saturdays

VM - contact Clare Christey re fishermen's store

**Chair Signature**

**Signed.....**