

## **Minutes of Meeting of Yell Community Council**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023, 7pm, Mid Yell School**

Present: Mr L Odie (Chair), Mrs A Jamieson, Mr R Jamieson, Ms H Hart, Ms J Lyth, Mr A Brockless.

Apologies: Mrs S Williamson, Cllr Ryan Thomson(Elected representative), Cllr Duncan Anderson (Elected representative)

In Attendance: Johnina Henderson (Clerk), Ms F Browne (North Isles Community Involvement and Development Worker), Ms Dana Jamieson (North Isles Police), Cllr Robert Thomson (Elected representative)

Mr L Odie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **02/23/1 MINUTES**

23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 – The minutes of the January meeting were approved by Mr R Jamieson and Ms H Hart.

### **02/23/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following declarations of interest towards the AGS applications.

Mrs A Jamieson declared interest as a trustee of Old Haa Trust,

Mr L Odie declared interest as his wife is a trustee of Old Haa Trust,

Ms J Lyth declared interest as member of staff at Mid Yell School

Mr R Jamieson declared an interest as partner in transport company for school trips and transport to Old Haa.

### **02/23/3 NATIONAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK 4**

Planning applications consultation was discussed. Training opportunities for CC's will follow.

### **02/23/4 POLICE REPORT**

Latest report had 8 incidents reported from Yell. A van had been stolen recently from Ulsta and recovered in Baltasound, please do not leave keys in vehicles as insurance will not cover you.

### **02/23/5 COMMUNITY WORK**

Work on Bluemull Sound emergency timetable is continuing with Unst and Fetlar CC's and a meeting scheduled for later this week.

Frances has been working with Yell Youth Club sourcing Youth Café transport.

Winter activities on Tuesday mornings will be delivered in rotation between 10 and 12 at West Sandwick, West Yell and Burravoe Halls, call along for a tea, coffee, cake and a chat.

Also in Mid Yell Hall on alternative Thursday mornings to Stepping Out from 10 to 12.

A leaflet will be published soon of all activities and events taking place throughout Yell.

Frances is working along with Kate Lonsdale at NYDC producing an outlook event calendar to help groups organising events in Yell.

### **02/23/6 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

#### **7.1 TRANSPORT- FERRIES**

Clerk sent an email with following issues raised and that members are willing to meet to discuss the same. Festive Timetable, Docking Schedule/Docking Timetable, Ferry notice board, Updating of voicebank, Sunday timetable, Discounted cards, Meeting in September minutes. No reply has been received to date.

#### **COMMUNITY HIRE FERRIES**

Folk Festival Committee have requested a community hire ferry in April for Folk Festival concert in Cullivoe.

Allocation of community hire ferries were discussed also advertising for events usage.

## 7.2 ROADS

### **West Sandwick Beach Road/Graveyard Road**

Site meeting to be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February. R Jamieson and J Lyth to attend.

### **Cullivoe Road**

An update from the project design has been received from Ian Leask, Design Engineer of Roads Service, the detailed design is largely complete. Land plans are all complete and have verbal agreements from all the landowners for the purchase of the plots required for the project.

### **Burravoe Footpath**

Update has been received and Systra are awaiting topographic mapping and 3D datasets designs.

### **Road at Andersville corner**

Clerk reported to Roads service.

### **Camb cattle grid sides**

Damaged cattle grid sides has been reported to roads service.

### **North Brough Road sign**

Road sign to North Brough, poles have rusted away and sign is lying on ground and can't be seen, Clerk to contact Roads to replace poles or remove the sign.

### **Grids at Gloup, Midbrake and Barriers at Cottages Brig, Cullivoe.**

Cllr Robert Thomson has reported grids at Gloup and Cottages at Midbrake also Crash barriers that have been broken for a considerable time and held back with posts.

## 7.3 NET ZERO CARBON NEUTRAL ISLAND (YELL) PROJECT

There is a Carbon Neutral Yell consultation event in Mid Yell hall tonight and one in Cullivoe Hall tomorrow afternoon along with delegates from Community Energy Scotland to answer questions and feedback for Yell's Climate Action Plan.

## 7.4 FIXED LINKS - YELL TUNNEL ACTION GROUP

Next meeting is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February.

## 7.5 BRECKON BEACH

A funding meeting was held last week with Liam Drosso, Frances Browne, Laurence Odie, Annette Jamieson and Alice Mathewson. Two ideas were discussed with Michael Duncan and it is planned that the SIC apply to Coastal Community Fund before 31<sup>st</sup> March for funding towards replacing the steps. Consent will need to be gained from Nature Scot due to the SSSI.

## 7.6 ABANDONED VEHICLE

Details passed on to EH and EH served notices on a Diahatsu, a Citroen and a Toyota when up in North Isles on 17<sup>th</sup> January.

## 7.7 YCC LAPTOP

Options for laptop were discussed, investigate price and funding to be allocated out of next year's funding.

## 7.8 LIST OF BUSINESSES IN YELL

List of businesses drawn up in 2020 was discussed and to be upgraded, All members to look at changes before next meeting. Clerk to collate changes to list.

## 7.9 COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Following the meeting with the Community Health and social Care directorate, a discussion was had on what can be done by the Community Council offer to help with recruitment by

putting up advertising notices, could the empty rooms in Isleshavn be used for housing agency workers, follow up meeting to discuss what can be done, Developing the Young Workforce could include care type work

#### **7.10 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE**

Following the snow and associated power cuts in December, local halls opened for assistance but it would be useful to draw up contingency plans which included community resilience as CC were well placed to understand their communities.

This has been added to ASCC agenda for meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **7.11 REGIONAL TRANSPORT STRATEGY(RTS) FOR SHETLAND**

ZetTrans has produced a new Draft Regional Transport Strategy for the Shetland Islands and is seeking views and feedback on the Strategy. The information gathered through the survey will be used to update and finalise the RTS. Mr L Odie and Mrs A Jamieson to complete feedback for YCC.

#### **7.12 SCOTLAND'S BEACH AWARDS 2023 APPLICATION**

Apply for award for West Sandwick, Mrs A Jamieson shall work on completing the application form.

#### **7.13 BURIALS/FUNERALS**

Winter scheduling in place which allows interments to be completed within daylight hours to ensure the safety of operatives and carried out to a high standard. Winter scheduling runs from when clocks go back in October to the end of January.

#### **7.14 BOTTLE BANKS**

The Shetland Islands Council are aware that the bottle banks in Yell need emptying and the contractor has them on his list to be emptied as a priority, bottle banks have now been emptied but debris left around the banks. Deposit return scheme for glass drinks bottles and drinks cans is to be implemented in August. This may mean that bottle bank requirements will be less in future.

#### **7.15 BEAW FIELD WIND FARM**

An update had been received that the Scottish Ministers have granted the variation for an extension of the operational period from 25 years to 40 years.

### **02/23/7 FINANCE/ GRANTS**

#### **10.1 GRANT ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS**

All groups have accepted and grants to be paid with work to be vouched by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

#### **10.2 BALANCE SHEET**

February balance sheet was discussed. CC expenses to be added to balance sheet, balance money to be allocated towards expenses.

#### **10.3 AGS APPLICATIONS**

Applications were deferred to next meeting due to declarations of interest in applications. Members at meeting were not quorate to decide on funding.

#### **10.4 ROAD GRANTS**

There have been some enquiries regarding road grants, applicants to be informed that we are awaiting our funding budget.

### **02/23/8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

#### **11.1 ASCC MEETING 14 MARCH**

Details of the function of ASCC was explained to new members, Mr L Odie & Mrs A Jamieson to attend meeting.

#### **11.2 SKIP DAY**

An enquiry had been made regarding a skip. There was no funding towards one this year. The SIC bulky uplift system was suggested to use.

#### **11.3 LITTER BIN AT BRECKON BEACH CAR PARK**

The litter bin at the Breckon Beach car park has been forced open and needs repair, Clerk to contact SIC regarding damage.

**THE MEETING ENDED AT 21.45 HRS**

**The next meeting of the Yell Community Council will be held on**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023 7.00pm. Mid Yell School.**