Sandwick Community Council

Minute of Meeting held at 7:30pm on Tuesday 28th February 2023. Meeting held at Hoswick Visitor Centre

Members Present	Bryan Peterson (Chair), Kevin Sandison (Vice-chair), Andrew Stout, Jimmy Smith, Janet Dunnet, Michael Jamieson, Graeme Garrick,
Present	Ana Arnett (SIC),
Clerk	Heather Grieve
Apologies	Yvonne Malcolmson, Ross Stopper, Michael Duncan (SIC)
Invited	Cllr Allison Duncan, Cllr Alex Armitage, Cllr Robbie McGregor,
Agenda Item	Narrative
Declaration of Interest	No Declaration of interest.
Police Report	In the December/January report there have been 4 incidents for Sandwick which can be summarised as follows: Communications Misuse Medical Matter Road Traffic Collision Fail to Stop
Approval of Previous Minutes	The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on 23 rd January 2023, were approved. Proposed by Jimmy Smith and seconded by Andrew Stout.
Planning	Members discussed planning application 2023/009/PPF. Members have no objections for this application.
Finance Report	The Financial Report dated 14 th February 2023 was distributed to members. Accounts showed income and expenditure. Members discussed ways in which they could spend the environment fund for the year, members decided to defer decision until Summer.
Correspondence	Gritting of Footpaths - Members requested information from the Shetland Island Council in regards to the priorities of gritting footpaths in bad weather. They were informed that Sandwick is a priority 3 footpath and would usually be treated by hand spreading of salt where there were sufficient roadworkers available.
	Hardship Fund Sandwick – Clerk was informed that the Household Hardship Fund Food vouchers have now been fully Allocated. With a total of £4,500 received by people in need.

Shetland Community Benefit Fund Advanced Grant Scheme

Members discussed 2 applications, although they felt that both applications were good for the wider community, they could not see the direct benefit to Sandwick and therefore decided not to offer funding on this occasion.

Any other Business

- a) Concerns were raised regarding Capacity issues on the Northlink Ferries especially on the lead up the Tall Ships Race which will be in Shetland this Summer.
- b) Warm Welcome Carnegie Hall Members discussed the warm welcome at the Carnegie Hall, emphasising that it is a much needed facility in the current climate. Members noted that although there was an increase of people attending especially after schools finished it would be great to see more people attending. Fridays at Carnegie are open from 11-4 and are free to all.
- c) Chair informed everyone that the Shetland Economic Development Company including Hoswick Visitor Centre would be holding its AGM Soon.
- d) Members discussed the Local Place Plan and now feel that it is time to move forward with this. Next step is to get key stakeholders involved in initial meetings in order to begin the process of creating a Local Place Plan.

Carried forward

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- Senior Pupil council invitation. ongoing.
- ii. **Broonies Taing Pier** is an ongoing concern for the community, due to safety concerns the members of the community council are keen to see a resolution and will continue to support were appropriate. However, members have been unable to get in contact with anyone to receive an update.

Meeting closed at 8:50pm

The next meeting is set for 7:30pm on Tuesday 28th March 2023 at Hoswick visitor centre.