## **Sandwick Community Council**

Minute of Meeting held at 7:30pm on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2023. Meeting held at Hoswick Visitor Centre

Members Present Bryan Peterson (Chair), Kevin Sandison (Vice-chair), Michael Jamieson,

Graeme Garrick, Jimmy Smith

**Present** Ana Arnett (SIC), Joanne Jamieson

**Clerk** Heather Grieve

Apologies Michael Duncan (SIC), Andrew Stout, Yvonne Malcolmson, Janet Dunnet, Ross

Stopper

Invited Cllr Allison Duncan, Cllr Alex Armitage, Cllr Robbie McGregor

Agenda Item Narrative

Declaration of Interest

Bryan Peterson and Jimmy Smith Declared interest in Sandsayre Pier.

Police Report For June & July

There have been 5 incidents recorded for Sandwick which can be summarised as

follows:

Road safety and Road Crime:

Careless Driving

Road Traffic Collision

Road Traffic Collision with minor or no injury

Acquisitive Crime

Fraud

Other

Dog Bite

Approval of Previous Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2023, were approved.

Proposed by Jimmy Smith and seconded by Graeme Garrick.

**Planning** No Planning Requests.

**Finance Report** The Financial Report dated 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023 was distributed to members.

Accounts showed income and expenditure.

Shetland Community Benefit Fund Advanced Grant Scheme Members discussed 4 applications, although they felt that all applications had merit, they decided to offer Part Funding to 2 projects due to available funds, members felt it was important to give funding to both projects. Members decided that 2 projects did not directly benefit Sandwick and therefore no funding would be

offered on this occasion.

## Any other Business

- a) Members discussed strategic development plans, opportunities and constraints, with concerns around the encouragement of big developers rather than individuals. Members continue to be concerned by the locality plan which highlighted Sandwick for housing rather than economic development. Members discussed the opportunities for low impact tourism which could benefit Sandwick with the opportunity of the Shetland Way and the walking routes available through the South Mainland. Bus travel continues to be an issue for some residents as although the bus is good for those working 9am-5pm it has its limitations throughout other times especially for those travelling to and from Levenwick Health Centre. Members went on to discuss the opportunity of the Local Place Plan which could be used to help highlight issues with transport and housing.
- b) Members discussed the SIC's plan to **trail a car sharing club**, members were interested to hear if this trial will only take place in Lerwick.
- c) Chair reminded members that the SIC are **consulting** on the current model for community councils. Community councils should be consulted and give responses back in October for this to be presented at Council in November, chair reminded everyone that this consultation is to do with all aspects of the Community Council including how they are elected, how long the term will be and how the Community Council wards are split up.

## **Carried forward**

- i. **Senior Pupil council invitation**. Chair and Clerk are hoping to engage with pupils during this academic year.
- 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. Clerk is looking to get in touch with the Broonies Taing Pier Trust.

## Meeting closed at 8:30pm

The next meeting is set for 7pm on Tuesday 26th September 2023 at Hoswick visitor centre.







