

**DRAFT Minutes of Meeting of Yell Community Council**  
**Monday 21st August 2023, 7.30pm, Cullivoe Hall**

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

Apologies:Mr K Jenkins, Mr Michael Duncan (Community Councillor Liaison Officer), Cllr Duncan Anderson (Elected representative),PC Dana Jamieson (North Isles Police).

In Attendance: Mrs Johnina Henderson(Clerk), Cllr Robert Thomson (Elected representative), Ms F Browne (North Isles Community Involvement and Development Worker), Mr Michael Craigie(Executive Manager of Transport Operations).

Mr L Odie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**08/23/01 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Mrs A Jamieson declared an interest in Visitor Levy Bill with running her son's self catering business.

Cllr Robert Thomson declared an interest in Planning applications as a member of the Planning committee.

**08/23/02 MINUTES**

17th July 2023 - The minutes of the July meeting were approved by Ms H Hart and Ms J Lyth.

**08/23/03 MATTERS ARISING**

**REIMAGINING BURIALS**

Comments were submitted following consultation with local residents and acknowledged as helpful and will be recorded and taken into consideration before the final report and recommendations are drafted.

**08/23/04 POLICE REPORT**

**POLICE PROTECTION**

An email had been received from a concerned resident in Mid Yell following local events and requested extra police patrol over these events. Email has been forwarded to PC Dana Jamieson.

**SHETLAND POLICING REPORT**

Report for June/July 2023 has been received with 6 incidents recorded for Yell: Antisocial Behaviour, Violence and Disorder - Neighbour Dispute, Threatening or Abusive Behaviour, Vandalism. Acquisitive Crime- Theft, Protecting Vulnerable People- Concern for Person- Mental Health.

**08/23/05 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

**6.1 TRANSPORT - FERRIES**

A few outstanding issues were raised with Michael Craigie  
Information Board - time next ferry departs, still showing about wearing face masks & hand sanitiser, some screens are running too fast to read, Sunday morning timetable to be the

same as Saturday timetable instead of 1 and a half hour service. Crewing issues, conductivity on vessels for collecting fares.

Ferry fares review - YCC requests early engagement in this process.

Concerns were raised following the tying up of Yell Sound ferry on the evening of 28th July due to crewing issues.

Buses connecting with ferries, 21.10 bus from Lerwick only getting to Toft at 22.15 can't leave any earlier due to tying in with Airport bus. M Craigie to investigate the times.

Welcome the introduction of a marshall on duty at Gutchter Ferry terminal.

Communications between bus and ferry if the bus is running late to hold the ferry within limits.

Due to the Aging ferry fleet an additional replacement vessel is required.

## 6.2 ROADS

Outstanding road issues were discussed with M Craigie and Clerk to forward on.

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

The next meeting will be held on Thursday night. Reuben's last day will be Friday but he will continue on the steering group. No applicants have come forward for Reuben's job.

## 6.4 FIXED LINKS - YELL TUNNEL ACTION GROUP

Tunnel Vision meeting held earlier tonight with an update from Unst & Yell tunnel groups, Michael Craigie (Executive Manager of Transport Operations), Councillors Robert Thomson and Arwed Wenger, Beatrice Wishart and Alistair Carmichael

M Craigie left meeting at 8.10pm

## 6.5 COMMUNITY HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE MEETING

L Odie & A Jamieson are attending a meeting with Jo Robinson (Interim Director of Community Health & Social Care) on Wednesday 23rd August.

A list of issues was reviewed to be discussed.

## 6.6 WHITE WIFE/CATALINA

No reply has been received, Clerk will chase up.

## 6.7 CULLIVOE TIDAL TURBINE

No reply received.

## 6.8 BT FIBRE WORK

Fibre cable work being carried out at the moment throughout Yell, Fibre is expected to be available from September 23 to March 24 in different areas in Yell.

## 6.9 VISITOR LEVY BILL

Visitor Levy Bill consultation was discussed and it was agreed that in a place like Shetland where we were actively encouraging tourism, any levy would have a negative effect.

Community Councillors to fill in surveys individually.

## **08/23/06 NEW BUSINESS**

### 7.1 DENTAL SERVICE - MID YELL

Following an open letter from Antony M Visocchi (Director of Dentistry, NHS Shetland) to inform the community of the current situation with regards NHS Shetland Dental Service in Mid Yell. Further to recent communications received, an open letter to the community was felt to be the most beneficial way to engage and update. Consequently and for the foreseeable future, NHS Shetland Public Dental Service is only able to provide an emergency/ non-routine service.

Response to letter to be sent that it's not satisfactory service for the North Isles.

### 7.2 FEEDBACK FROM ENERGY ISLES CONSULTATION

Following meetings held in Cullivoe and Sellafirth in June, Doug Wilson has requested to attend the October meeting to discuss further.

Cllr Robert Thomson left the meeting.

#### **08/23/07 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

8.1 ACCESS GATE TO REAR (retrospective application) OLD CHURCH HALL, MID YELL

8.2 ERECT SMALL TIMBER FRAME STEEL CLAD SHED AT REAR OF OLD CHURCH HALL, MID YELL

The above planning applications were discussed again and following a site visit by Mr L Odie, an amended letter to be submitted.

#### **08/23/08 FINANCE/GRANTS**

9.1 CDF APPLICATION

Cullivoe Hall applied for a grant to replace existing window sills, which are in poor state and a health and safety risk Estimated cost £5000, Grant of £3000 approved by Mr L Odie and Mrs S Williamson.

#### **08/23/09 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

10.1 HOME ENERGY SCOTLAND

Following a drop in session in Mid Yell Hall in June 2023, a representative would like to attend the October meeting to promote for free home surveys also Energy monitors are available through CNI.

**THE MEETING ENDED AT 22.00HRS**

**The next meeting of the Yell Community Council will be held on Monday 18th September 2023, 7pm. Mid Yell School.**

#### Action List

Clerk	6.6	Chase up White Wife/ Catalina	
	7.1	Reply to Dental letter	
	7.2	Invite to October meeting	
	8.1, 8.2	Submit objection	
	9.1	Offer letter	
	10.1	Invite to October meeting	
LO & AJ	6.5	Attend CH & SC meeting	
All	6.9	Complete Visitor Levy Bill	