

Lerwick Community Council Meeting
26 April 2023 6pm
Town Hall/ Teams Hybrid meeting
Minutes

1. Chair's Welcome

2. Apologies for Absence

In attendance (Town Hall):

Jim Anderson (Chair)
Shayne McLeod (Vice Chair)
Martha Smith (Clerk)
Averil Simpson
Stewart Hay
Arwed Wenger
Karen Fraser
Jonathan Williamson
Steve Mathieson
Andy Carter
Brian Harris
Gary Robinson

In attendance (remotely):

Joanne Fraser
Lara MacCabe

Apologies:

Angus Galbraith
John Fraser
Cecil Smith
James Paton
Stephen Leask
Neil Pearson
Dennis Leask
Emma Williamson
Amanda Hawick

3. Declarations of Interest

11 Arwed – Planning
7.4 Gary Robinson - Statkraft BESS project

4. Minutes from meeting held for approval

4.1 3 April 2023
Proposed – Damien Ristori
Seconded – Jonathan Williamson

5. Police Report

Questions asked by community councillors to Lara

- Q: What level of engagement there is between police and drivers crowding in their cars on Victoria Pier, driving erratically and exceeding speed limits around the esplanade?
- A: Aware of the situation and are patrolling as best as possible.
- Q: In the report it specifies £129k of drugs seized during the quarter. This is noticed a higher amount than the previous report, would like to know if this is due to a larger quantity of packages or a few packages of a higher amount.
- A: Will submit information to clerk
- Q: Regarding agenda item 7.2, What is the law with dogs in public off the lead and is there any legal enforcement for not collecting dog waste.
- A: Will submit information to clerk but owners are responsible for their dogs at all times, and must be under control if off lead.

6. Actions from last meeting

- 6.1 Action tracker spreadsheet
Sletts Wall , clerk last chased for a start of starting works on 25/04/2023, Jim Anderson said that he would contact SIC for an answer too.

7. Correspondence

- 7.1 ASCC Meeting – Feedback due by 1st May
Agenda item discussed in detail, members felt that the purpose of the Community councils should form the basis for the review. Clerk to submit feedback to SIC by 1st May.
- 7.2 Clickimin dog walkers
Members sought some advise from Lara McCabe. Decided to contact SIC environmental services to erect a sign for public awareness.
- 7.3 Burial Ground Consultation
Clerk to submit comment that a Lerwick site appears to be missing from the proposals
- 7.4 Statkraft letter, to attend June meeting
Noted
- 7.5 Smart Travel Survey
Email to be distributed to members with email link to survey.
- 7.6 Review of School Swimming Lessons
A discussion was held , LCC agreed to comment that ALL school bairns should have equal access to swimming, which should remain free and accessible to all school pupils throughout Shetland.

8. Disabled Parking Spaces

- 8.1 Burnside
No comments

9. 2023 Surface Dressing

Gilbertson road is in a poor state and would need resurfaced, not included in the 2023 plan, clerk to find out when the road is marked for new surface dressing.

10. Finance

- 10.1 Financial update
No comments, 2023/24 funding letters not received.

11. Planning Applications:

PLANNING COMMITTEE

The agenda for the above meeting when available, will be on the Council's website.

- 11.1 **2023/068/PPF**– Temporary change of use for a two year period to a site compound including material storage, office space, welfare provision and car park (sui generis)
No comments
- 11.2 **2023/088/PPP** - Erect dwelling house and create four additional parking spaces (planning permission in principle)
No comments

12. AOB

13. Date of Next Meeting

- 13.1 Mon 5 June 2023 @ 6pm Teams and Town Hall meeting room