NESTING AND LUNNASTING COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Community Council met on Wednesday 24th January 2024 in Nesting Primary School at 7.30pm

1.0 PRESENT Mr Willie Simpson (Chair) Mr Alistair Laurenson

Mr Grant Nicol Mr Shaun Johnson

Ms L Hall

Attendance through Microsoft Teams- Cllr E MacDonald and Mrs C Leask

In Attendance

Mrs Eva Ganson Clerk

Did not attend- Councillors T Morton and A Manson

2.0 APOLOGIES – noted from Mr Stevenson and Mrs T Leask.

3.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None to note.

4.0 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING- held on Wednesday 13th December 2023

Agreed as correct on a motion by Mr Laurenson and seconded by Mr Johnson.

5.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None to note.

6.0 POLICE REPORT

Nothing to hand.

7.0 SCOTTISH SEA FARMS- Mr George Miller attended with Anne Anderson and Chris Webb attended online to present the meeting with their plans for the future of fish farming at Setterness area. The plans if approved will see development of fewer but larger sites. There will be no job losses with this development. There is to be two public meetings held on Voe and Vidlin Halls in February and March to give the wider public a chance to look at their plans. As there were no further questions regarding the development they left the meeting at 8.10pm.

8.0 BENCH DONATIONS

SSE are hoping to donate benches to Community Councils. It was decided to request three, one for Billister pier and one for each of the primary schools in the area. Eva will forward this request. The offer was for one bench for each Community Council so we will see what the response is to this.

9.0 FINANCES

Eva has contacted both groups who have grant claims outstanding to ask remind them to get their claims in.

10.0 COMMUNITY COUNCIL REVIEW

A covering letter explaining the Community Councils responses has been sent and the online survey completed. This letter was be copied to the three SIC Councillors to keep them informed of the Community Councils view in the review process.

Community Councillors are to be asked to serve an extra year as the Review process is going to take longer than originally expected this will take their term to October 2025. Letters regarding this have not been received so far.

10.0 REMOTE LINK FOR MEETINGS

Lynsey Hall was thanked for setting up the Teams link for this meeting. Both Cllr MacDonald and Mrs Leask said it was good. It is hoped that the next meeting due for Lunnasting School can also have an online link.

12.0 ASCC MEETING Thursday 12th March 2024

Nothing to hand for this meeting yet. Mr Simpson told the meeting that a former Chair of the ASCC Mr Jim Gear from Foula has passed away.

13.0 AOCB

PLANNING APPLICATIONS- 2023/019/MAR

To develop a new mussel farm comprising of 6 x 260mtwin headline longlines by Mr J M Laurensonat Boatsroom Voe, Lunna No comments to this application.

WHEELIE BINS, DOG FOULING AND VIDLIN AYRE- Vidlin area

Mr Johnson advised that the wheelie bins in Queeness Road cannot lock with recycling blowing around, the one for black bags is half full of water. There is also a problem with dog fouling at Queenss Road, the Vidlin marina and Sweening. Seaweed needs to be cleaned from the Vidlin Ayre following the recent stormy weather.

These will be passed to the SIC Roads Cleaning Service for attention.

DIRECTOR FOR SCHETLAND COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

Mr Alistair Laurenson was nominated to continue in this role. This will be passed on to the Community Benefit Fund admin.

NEW FOCUS GROUP

Ms Hall told the group that there is a new Focus Group being set up Brae looking at various projects including decentralisation of some medical services.

The new Brae High School was given permission to move to a full business case at a recent SIC meeting and with that will come other opportunities.

One thing highlighted in the Nort Natters project was lack of transport to access various services in the north area.

Ms Hall is looking for members to join the new group. Mr Nicol agreed to take part in this.

14.0 NEXT MEETING will be held on Wednesday 28th February 2024 in Lunnasting Primary School.

The meeting finished at 8.45pm.