

# Lerwick Community Council

8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 6pm

Town Hall/ Teams Hybrid meeting

## Minutes

### 1. Chair's Welcome

### 2. Apologies for Absence

#### In attendance

##### (Town Hall):

Jim Anderson (Chair)  
Kirsty Smith (Clerk)  
Jonathan Duncan  
Jonathan Williamson  
Averil Simpson  
Kevin Craigen  
Scott Nicholson  
Diana Winfield  
Arwed Wenger  
Shayne McLeod  
Andy Carter  
Brian Harris

#### In attendance

##### (remotely):

Amanda Hawick  
Cecil Smith  
Steve Mathieson  
Chris Cope (News)  
Chloe Irvine (News)

#### Apologies:

Karen Fraser  
Dennis Leask  
Stuart Hay

### 3. Declarations of Interest

11. Planning applications      Arwed Wenger & Cecil Smith

### 4. Minutes from meeting held for approval

4.1 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Approved – Jonathan Williamson.

Seconded – Averil Simpson

### 5. Actions from last meeting

5.1 Action tracker spreadsheet

Noted – No updates.

### 6. Correspondence/ Discussion Points

6.1 Shetland Grid – Beyond 2030 Report

No comments

6.2 Da Voar Redd Up 2024

LCC to join Da Voar Redd Up on Sunday the 21st / 28th at Gremista.

Diana and Arwed to organise some work at Clickimin together and will meet at Clickimin.

### 6.3 Response from waste operations

The Lerwick Lanes are checked daily, no comments from the LCC.

### 6.4. Post Office Consultation

Post Office to move to the 'ii shop', very accessible and lots of space for wheelchairs and prams.

### 6.4 SEPA

- Consultation on review of areas most at risk of flooding across Scotland

Arwed mentioned Bruce Crescent overflow pond may have drainage issues if the rugby pitch surface is changed. Jonathan Duncan responded the flooding plan for the area would be revised if the surface changed. Jonathan confirmed any type of flooding should be reported.

- Disrupting Criminal Dumpers

No comments.

- Scottish Waste from all sources

No comments.

## 7. SCBF AGS Grant Funding Applications

Annual Funding Available - £4,229.00 (Tranche 2)

### 7.1 Application Summary – Lerwick

No comments.

### 7.2 180408 – Shetland Swimming Association

Jim suggested to supply the Swimming Association with 1/12th of the total amount to show an equal split between community councils applied for grant.

Jim Anderson proposed, Amanda Hawick seconded.

### 7.3 Director nomination

After receiving no volunteers to stand, Jim agreed to continue as representative.

### 7.4 Community Grant Scheme – Information for Community Councils

No comments

## 8. Disabled Parking

### 8.1 Voderview (Space removed)

Agreed, no comments.

## 9. Finance

### 9.1 Financial update

Noted, no comments.

## 10. Community Council Scheme Review

### 10.1 Briefing note dated 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024

The LCC debated the proposed changes to the Community Council Scheme, in particular the point stating:

*“...any member who have failed to attend any community council meeting throughout a period of 6 months may have their membership terminated by the community council. At the discretion of community councils, a period of leave of absence for community council members may be granted at any meeting of the community council.”*

The members discussed this point may be too harsh for a volunteer board, though the chair urged them to appreciate the wording in place. The responsibility and expectation of elected members is a two-way street, remarking the process of removing members will be fair.

The members also discussed the Youth Membership category for young people aged between 12-18 years. The chair asked to remove the regulation “...on the basis that they reside within the Community Council area”, to include and encourage more youth to join. The chair noted many young people spend most of their lives within the town. All members agreed it would be preferable to give youth members a voting right, please check with current legislation.

Noting any community council members currently serving on the Shetland Islands Council may have to be co-opted in future if the brief is passed.

## 11. Planning

### 11.1 Development Plan Scheme

#### 11.2 2024/077/PPF

**Address:** Staney Hill Quarry Ladies Drive Lerwick Shetland ZE1 0QW

**Proposal:** Retrospective application for the extraction of material from Staney Hill Quarry outside approved 2013/22/PPF boundary, plus subsequent reinstatement of the same area.

No comments.

#### 11.3 2024/075/PPF

**Address:** 37 Burgh Road Lerwick Shetland ZE1 0LA

**Proposal:** Demolish existing extension, porch and section of boundary wall and construct replacement porch and extension to side and rear. Replace existing roof slates with natural slate and construct an area of decking to the rear of the proposed extension.

No comments.

#### 11.4 2024/057/PPF

**Address:** 38 St Olaf Street Lerwick Shetland ZE1 0DA

**Proposal:** Installation of external metal handrails and grab rails at front and rear entrance doors for disabled occupant.

No comments.

11.5 **2024/058/PPF**

**Address:** 26 King Harald Street Lerwick Shetland ZE1 0DJ

**Proposal:** Install bilateral metal handrails at 2 sets of steps

[No comments.](#)

**12. AOB**

12.1 Play equipment in King Harold Street Playpark

[Andy Carter praised the recent disability friendly additions to the playpark, and questioned if there was any plans to develop the empty grassy area in the back previously occupied by the high shoot. It was agreed to write to SIC and see what their plans are, if any, for the area](#)

**13. Date of Next Meeting**

13.1 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May