

Lerwick Community Council

3 June 2024 6pm

Town Hall/ Teams Hybrid meeting

Minutes

1. Chair's Welcome

2. Apologies for Absence

In attendance

(Town Hall):

Jim Anderson (Chair)
Martha Smith (Clerk)
Averil Simpson
Gary Robinson
Scott Nicolson
Diana Winfield
Arwed Wenger
Shayne McLeod
Andy Carter
Karen Fraser
Stewart Hay
Jonathon Williamson
Neil Pearson
Lynsey Rendall
Neil Hutchison (SIC)

In attendance

(remotely):

Amanda Hawick
Stephen Leask
Emma Miller (Living
Lerwick)
Andrew Hirst
(Shetland Times)

Apologies:

Cecil Smith
Michael Duncan
Steve Mathieson
Dennis Leask
John Fraser
Jonathon Duncan
Brian Harris

3. Declarations of Interest

Arwed Wenger had a declaration in planning.

Shayne McLeod had a declaration in Shetland Fiddle and Accordion Club's SCBF application.

4. Minutes from meeting held for approval

4.1 6th May 2024

Approved with corrections.

Karen Fraser proposed
Arwed Wenger seconded

5. 20mph speed limits

5.1 Neil Hutcheson, Executive Manager – Roads, in attendance

Scotland Government is committed to implementing 20 mph speed limits on appropriate roads by the end of 2025. Neil has brought this matter to the Lerwick Community Council to gauge opinions, prior to the consultation to come.

Shetland Islands Council will continue to promote active travel to reduce traffic in these areas. There may be a possibility to remove speed humps but, in most areas, the residents asked to have the reduced speed measures.

Scott Nicolson suggested that one-way streets are impossible to gain much speed so should be 20mph. Averil Simpson suggested that all roads should be 20mph then everyone would know what

to do rather than speed up and slow down. Amanda Hawick raised the point that there is an increase in pedestrians during the cruise ship/ summer season, should there be more pedestrian only areas?

6. Local Place Plan

6.1 Peter Mogridge in attendance

Peter couldn't make this meeting. It was advised that he is holding a presentation on LPP on 7th June, Clerk to distribute invitation again.

7. Actions from last meeting

7.1 Action tracker spreadsheet

Neil Hutcheson in attendance, Jim requested an update on the Sletts Wall and Leog Wall repairs. Neil advised that they will hopefully both be done before the winter season.

8. Correspondence/ Discussion Points

8.1 ASCC – Agenda for Tuesday 12th June

Shayne and Jim will be attending

PTSN switch off and transition to digital delayed until 2027.

8.2 Commercial Street Flagstone repair August – September 2024

Noted

8.3 Commercial Street Waste Bins

Noted

8.4 Addressing Depopulation Action Plan - SIF online meeting 5th June

Noted

9. Finance

9.1 Financial Update

Clerk confirmed that £500 had been set aside for Gardening competition. Hopefully the full £500 will not be required as Karen Fraser had been successful in gaining sponsors for prizes, etc.

10. Lerwick Community Council - Grant Application

10.1 Junior Up Helly Aa

Grant Application £380.08

Awarded £100

Andy Carter proposed

Amanda Hawick seconded

10.2 Living Lerwick

Grant Application £1,000

Awarded £1,000

Karen Fraser proposed

Arwed Wenger seconded

11. SCBF – AGS Grant Applications

11.1 AGS 2024 Summary

11.2 180511 – Kiddy Club

Further information requested to allow an informed decision to be made.

11.3 180513 – Maddrim Media

Grant Application £1,000

Awarded £500

Jonathan Williamson proposed

Stewart Hay seconded

11.4 180518 – Anderson High School Parent Council

Grant Application £500
Awarded £500
Karen Fraser proposed
Andy Carter seconded

11.5 180519 – Shetland Fiddle and Accordion Club

Grant Application £2,629
Awarded £500
Diana Winfield proposed
Scott Nicolson seconded

12. Planning

12.1 **2024/140/PPF**

Address: Former G B Building Centre Lower Blackhill Industrial Estate Lerwick
Shetland ZE1 0DG
Proposal: To install new footpath from the main road to the building premises
[No comments](#)

12.2 **2024/138/ADV**

Address: Former G B Building Centre Lower Blackhill Industrial Estate Lerwick
Shetland ZE1 0DG
Proposal: Installation of 6 fascia signs to building
[No comments](#)

12.3 **2024/131/SCR**

Address: Land at Mossy Hill Wind Farm Circa 2.5km NW of Lerwick
Proposal: EIA screening opinion in respect of proposed substation for Mossy Hill Wind Farm
[No comments](#)

12.4 **2024/089/TCA**

Address: Albany House 50 St Olaf Street Lerwick Shetland ZE1 0EN
Proposal: Trim a Sycamore tree in back garden
[No comments](#)

13. AOB

Scott Nicolson raised an issue regarding the Lerwick Lanes Masterplan, some constituent feedback is that this isn't an important issue for the SIC to be considering. Plus the proposed loss of much needed car parking in the town centre, with the car park recently full every day, is a real concern for businesses on the street, local residents and visitors to the area.

Gary Robinson advised that the council is restricted to what they can achieve, some land is housing and needs to be reverted to such, there will be a consultation continuing and planning applications to come.

Karen Fraser reminded members to spread the word regarding this year's gardening competition.

Diana Winfield raised an issue with cats entering St Clements Hall building.

14. Date of Next Meeting

14.1 Monday 1st July