

WHALSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes subject to approval at next Community Council meeting

Minute of the Whalsay Community Council (CC) meeting. Held on Monday 18th Nov 2024 at 7.00 pm at Whalsay Primary School (Venue changed at last minute)

PRESENT:	APOLOGIES
Cllr Jackie Leslie (JL) – Chair	Dana Jamieson - Police Scotland
Cllr William Polson (WP) –Vice Chair	Michael Duncan - Community Council Liaison Officer (MD)
Cllr Gilbert Irvine (Gil)	Roselyn Fraser – Community Involvement & Development Officer (RF)
Cllr Margaret Hughson (MH)	Duncan Anderson - North Isles Cllr (DA)
Andrew Campbell (AC) - Cycling UK via Teams	Robert Thomson – North Isles Cllr (RTH)
	Ryan Thomson – North Isles Cllr (RT)
	Neil Hutchinson – SIC Roads
	Andrew Inkster - Executive Manager Marine & Air Operations SIC(AI)

MINUTE TAKER: Gina Irvine – WCC Clerk (GI)

WELCOME:

JL chaired meeting and welcomed all.

APOLOGIES: Apologies noted

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

None declared

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

JL asked if all were happy with minutes. Gil approved; WP seconded.

FINANCE REPORT:

Current account was shared with members by clerk.

ACTIONS: Ongoing

1. Cycling UK

AC discussed the programme and what facilities was available for local communities. WCC discussed using local halls and local groups to spread the word Suggested that events would be better attended if they were held over weekends rather than week days. WCC happy to help with distribution of any marketing materials via social media.

ACTIONS:

Clerk asked to share contacts

2. POLICE MATTERS

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WCC asked clerk to follow up on request for 4th night.

ACTION: Clerk asked to follow up

3. ROADS, FENCE AT DUMP, STREETLIGHTS CYCLE & WALKING PATHS

WCC asked clerk to follow up on photos sent of current state of pot holes and roads on isle.

ACTION: Clerk to follow up

3. Whalsay Tunnel Action Group

WCC asked clerk to invite to next meeting

ACTIONS: Clerk to follow up

4. Symbister Pier

All discussed neglected/abandoned cars on isle and latest options for locals. JL asked clerk to find out from Foula who paid for their ferry fare to undertake their car disposals.

ACTIONS: Clerk asked to follow up

5. DENTIST

No update and all discussed the need to continue to with request

ACTIONS: Clerk to follow up

6. FERRIES

WCC discussed the Festive Time Table and asked clerk to put in request for bookings to be made as normal instead of having to pre book so far in advance.

ACTION: Clerk to follow up with ferry

7. MAP/NEWSLETTER

WCC discussed creating a local map highlighting local attractions, service centres, play parks etc etc, incorporating QR Code. Clerk asked to get a large map for next meeting.

ACTION Clerk to follow up

8. Skips

All discussed having a skip booked for Next quarter and allow more time for advertising.

ACTIONS: Clerk to organise

9. Houll Loch

Clerk asked to contact environmental for poop bags holders to follow up

ACTIONS: Clerk to follow up

10. Bus Review

Clerk informed all that no update was shared to date. All asked for feedback about the review

ACTIONS: Clerk to follow up

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11. Bus Shelter

All asked clerk to request map so that proposal for the bus shelter to be moved can be submitted

ACTIONS: Clerk to follow up

12. RVS and Whalsay Xmas Bairns Party Requests

All agreed to donations and asked clerk to follow up

13. Gravel Request

All discussed funds used for skips was more accessible to more folk.

14. Future Meetings

All asked clerk to inform SIC that meetings would be scheduled on monthly basis until more councillors come on board due to members only being 3 in total. All discussed placing recruitment posters locally and asked clerk to action.

15. Participatory Budget Event

All asked clerk to review last year's dates and arrange similar format for coming event.

ACTION: Clerk to follow up

16. Support request

17. **Letter of support** for Whalsay Football Club for funding approved by all

Meeting closed at 8.37 pm Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting scheduled for Tuesday 14th January 2025 @ 7pm, at Heritage Centre for locals and Teams for others considering joining.