

Delting Community Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2021 – Due to the coronavirus pandemic, this was a virtual meeting held through Microsoft Teams.

2021/02/01 MEMBERS

Mr A Cooper, Chairman	Ms J Dennison
Ms Rosalind Griffiths	Mr A Hall
Mr J Milne	Mr E Smith
Mrs E Macdonald, Councillor	

2021/02/02 IN ATTENDANCE

Mr M Duncan, SIC Community Planning and Development
Mrs A Foyle, Clerk

2021/02/03 CIRCULAR

The circular calling the meeting was held as read.

2021/02/04 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Mr W Whitrow and Ms A Arnett.

2021/02/05 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28th January 2021 were approved by Ms J Dennison and seconded by Mr E Smith.

2021/02/06 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mrs E Macdonald declared an interest with regards to 2021/02/09 planning applications.

2021/02/07 MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Appointing a Director for Shetland Community Benefit Fund (SCBF) – Mr Ellis Nicolson is going to take on this role. The Clerk is to let Mr Chris Bunyan know this. Clerk to progress.

The Clerk and Chairman attended an online Zoom meeting to discuss the SCBF Advance Grant Scheme. A number of Community Councils raised questions regarding the Memorandum of Understanding and Data Sharing Agreement documents, and until there is clarity, we will not sign the documents.

Mr M Duncan has examined the SCBF AGS Memorandum of Understanding and Data Sharing Agreement documents, a number of issues have been identified so he has referred the matter to colleagues in the SIC Corporate Services Department for advice. It may take time to get a response so he is advising the Community Council not to sign or return the documents at this time. He will be in touch as soon as he has advice and hopes that it will receive this soon.

7.2 Muckle Roe Road – Improvements – Ms J Dennison is unsure if this has started yet, but understands there is going to be delays due to the SIC Roads Service having been busy gritting the roads in recent weeks.

7.3 School Transport Issue – Mossbank service not fitting in with the school times – ongoing.

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- 7.4 Digital Highlands and Islands – Broadband Rollout** – Mrs E Macdonald attended the R100 meeting online but she had poor connectivity and missed a lot of it. The Chairman was unable to attend and expressed his disappointment that the organisers were unable to share information about what they are going to do in Shetland. It may be the Summer before we know what is happening in Shetland. Delting is not too badly served compared to some other areas.
- 7.5 Mossbank Play Park – Toddler Swing** – The Chairman said it will be the Summer time before this is looked at.
- 7.6 Delting Boating Club – Bin for Dog Waste** – Mr J Milne received the dog litter bin and has sited it outside the Delting Boating Club on the left side of the road going up the hill and has been letting people in the Brae area know about it. The Clerk is to contact Mr Brydon Sinclair, SIC Waste Prevention Officer to let him know that it is in place and it needs regular emptying. **Clerk to progress.**
- 7.7 Community Development Fund (CDF) – Muckle Roe Car Park Improvements** – There was no update on this item.
- 7.8 Slow Sign in Lower Voe** – The Clerk contacted Mr Colin Gair, SIC Roads Service highlighting that there is no footpath going from the Tagon junction to the Lower Voe junction, the speed limit is too high and there are no footpaths or streetlights on this piece of road. She asked if this area could be considered for temporary speed restrictions. He has responded that the targeted locations without footpaths or streetlights are trials to see if a reduction from 60mph to 50mph can effect a change in active travel when there are no other facilities available. The current trial areas are currently unrestricted sections of main road, unlike the section of A970 between the Tagon and Lower Voe junctions that already has a 50mph speed limit. Given that the type of speed limit reduction they are look at is already in place in Voe, by virtue of the road alignment and historical accident rate, it would not fit the scheme parameters being considered this time around.
- 7.9 Lack of Parking at Maidenfield, Mossbank** – Mr E Smith is still looking into this issue.
- 7.10 Lack of white lines** – The Chairman stated there is still a lack of white lines on the road from Brae to the Sullom Voe Terminal. The Chairman will follow this up with Mr N Hutcheson.
- 7.11 Removal of the Traffic Light Signage at Scatsta Airport** – The Chairman confirmed that the signage has been disconnected and the SIC will deal with the removal of this.
- 7.12 ASCC Meeting** – The Clerk reminded Members of this meeting which is taking place on Tuesday 9th March at 6pm through Microsoft Teams. Members are unable to attend this meeting and passed on their apologies to Mr M Duncan.
- 7.13 Steps between 7 and 9 Leaside, Mossbank – Slippery** – The Chairman has spoken to SIC Housing about this. Mr J Milne said that nothing has been done with regards to this. The steps are concrete and the water comes from one house and down onto the steps, making them very slippery. The Chairman is going to speak to SIC Housing about this again.
- 7.14 Firth Lighthouse – Removal/Replacement** – The Chairman has spoken to Mr Davy Cooper about the Firth Lighthouse. There is an issue with access to the lighthouse to do remedial works to retain the existing structure. There may be a solution but the Northern Lighthouse Board might be content with replacing the lighthouse with a splat tower. The community strongly want to retain the lighthouse. It was a brough and you can still see where it was. Even with a splat tower, the sea could eat away the concrete surrounding area. There is an issue regarding how to stabilise the lighthouse. He is going to follow this item up and discuss with others.

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- 7.15 Ice on Path towards Mossbank Shop – Grit Bin** – Members are unsure if this has been done. The Clerk is to contact Mr Neil Hutcheson, SIC Roads Service to check if the grit bin has been placed on the path towards the Mossbank Shop. **Clerk to progress.**
- 7.16 National Planning Framework 4 – Scottish Government** – The Clerk sent this document to the Chairman and Mrs E Macdonald following the last meeting as they wanted to look at it as it sets the scene of what the Scottish Government is going to do going forward. The Chairman and Mrs E Macdonald are going to look at this document again but they do not think there is much that applies to Shetland.
- 7.17 Issues with people walking dogs off leads** – Mr Kevin Serginson, SIC Outdoor Access Officer responded regarding this issue. They have had a number of posts on social media regarding responsible access and rising awareness that lambing is approaching. These have been on SIC twitter and SIC Facebook. In addition, they continue to have signage available for crofters regarding dogs on a lead, lambing and bird nesting. They have produced a leaflet which can be viewed online at <https://www.shetland.gov.uk/downloads/file/2760/outdoor-access-guidance> this is the 'Guide to the Scottish Outdoor Access Code for Shetland'.

Members are concerned that issues are being reported to the Police, but no action is being taken. Enforcement needs to take place as a rule. The Chairman is going to speak to Police Inspector Martin Brill about this issue and the Clerk is to write to Police Scotland highlighting the ongoing concerns from the Delting Community Council. **Clerk to progress.**

2021/02/08 POLICE REPORT

There was no police report received. The Chairman is going to chase this up with Police Inspector Martin Brill.

2021/02/09 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

BT Payphone Removal Consultation – outside the Voe Public Hall. The Community Council objected to this at the meeting in November. There has been no update on this as yet.

2021/037/PPF – To erect weather station, Adjacent Knowe, Muckle Roe, Shetland by SSQC Ltd – There were no objections to this planning application. **Clerk to progress.**

2021/283/PPF – Proposed temporary change of use of land (comprising mainly one helicopter stand) at Scatsta Airport for hybrid rocket engine testing (2-year period) at Scatsta Airport, Scatsta, Brae, ZE2 9QP by Mr Jacques Meheut – There were no objections to this planning application. **Clerk to progress.**

2021/003/MAR – To site a 22m x 18m barge used for storage of equipment in connection with mussel farming operations (retrospective) at Hevden Ness, Busta Voe, Shetland by Mr Michael Laurenson – Members object to this application. Concerns have been expressed from the community that this is not in the best interests for the area. The old rusty barge is surplus to requirements and it has been anchored for some time. The kit should be properly and safely stored ashore, there is no justification for storing kit offshore. The anchored structure could sink or break away and cause damage. The barge needs to be removed in its present form as it poses a danger where it is anchored. **Clerk to progress.**

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E-mail received from Mr Iain McDiarmid, Executive Manager, SIC Planning stating that they are having a temporary suspension of the free planning duty offer and pre-application enquiry services from 22nd February until the 29th March. This is to help give them time to tackle the backlog of planning applications. They are currently out to another round of recruitment for Development Management Officers and in the meantime they have the Marine Planning Team taking on some of the development management work. Despite the shortages and the heavy workload, they have determined over 300 applications under delegated powers, with several more going for Committee decision since March 2020. They have also dealt with a significant number of variations and amendments to previous approvals. There are lots of on-line resources which may help to answer queries on the Planning Service website and the Scottish Government website at the following links –

Planning Service Website: <https://www.shetland.gov.uk/planning-applications>

Scottish Government Website: <https://www.gov.scot/policies/planning-architecture/>

2021/02/10 COMMUNITY WORK

Mr M Duncan attended the meeting from Community Work. He said that there is a lot of Covid-19 funding still coming in and the local halls are eligible for some funding.

They are busy at Community Work. There are still a lot of in-active groups due to the pandemic. They are busy with Crown Estate bids.

2021/02/11 CORRESPONDENCE

- 11.1 Grant Application Form – Delting Football Club** – They are seeking funding for two pitch-side equipment storage boxes. They would allow proper storage of the coaching equipment (mini-goals, balls, bibs, cones etc) that has typically been transported to training sessions by their team coaches in their cars. These boxes would be appropriately sited, with proper concrete bases. Brae High School has been consulted on the proposal and are in agreement. The Delting Football Club are providing the costs of installation which would require digger hire and concrete and will supply volunteers to help, as their contribution to the project. The total cost of the equipment is £1,459.98. They have secured £1,079.00 from the SIC. This leaves a balance of £380.98. Members agreed to award them a grant of £380.98. **Clerk to progress.**
- 11.2 Voluntary Action Shetland – Membership** – Invoice received for the yearly membership for a total cost of £25.00. Payment approved. **Clerk to progress.**
- 11.3 Soft Play and Café at the old Olnafirth Primary School in Voe** – E-mail received from Ms Sarah Manson, Director of the Voe Centre Ltd. The letter has also been sent to Shetland Recreational Trust and Lerwick Community Council. Their group was set up in March 2016 after their offer for the Old Voe school premises was accepted. They appointed architects to draw up plans for the café and soft play area. Planning permission was approved on 11th October 2020. They purchased an entire soft play business which included contents of the café. They have put in a lot of their own money with much more expenditure to come and not had financial assistance from anyone. Through their research of business models, they found that a café and soft play area of 110m² needs a population slightly larger than that of Shetland to make the business sustainable in the long term. Shetland Recreational Trust has proposed a 300m² soft play in the same catchment area which would make their business unviable. They will be forwarding a similar letter to Shetland Charitable Trust, SIC and Sports Scotland. If necessary, they will consult the Charitable regulators as they feel they have no other choice but to try and save their business and stop themselves from going under before they even get started. They hope the Shetland Recreational Trust reconsider their plans in light of this information as continuing will result in the failure of their business and the loss of at least 10 much needed full and part time jobs they intend to create in the North Mainland. Delting Community Council gives them their full support and want the soft play area and café to be in place, ahead of competition, we want to see this in Voe and to employ local people in our area. Members wish them good luck.

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2021/02/11 CORRESPONDENCE

- 11.4 Employers Liability Insurance Certificate** – Mr M Duncan, SIC Community Planning and Development sent this to the Clerk. It runs from 21st December 2020 until 20th December 2021.
- 11.5 Planning Aid Scotland Events – Zero Waste Scotland** – E-mail received from Mr M Duncan, SIC Community and Planning. The free online events are in February and March and this was forwarded onto Members before the meeting. The Chairman said the PAS events are good and encouraged Members to participate. Mr M Duncan told Members the SIC had PAS in Shetland a few years ago and there were a number of Community Councils who attended and it was interesting. Mrs E Macdonald said that the event is good, they make it understandable and she would recommend it.
- 11.6 Grow Shetland – Support for Food Growing Groups** – E-mail received from the Grow Shetland project. They have been developed to support the implementation of the SIC's Fair Food policy and help individuals, communities, groups and schools grow more of their own food. It is a 3-year pilot project and runs until January 2024, delivered by Transition Turriefield. They have a website at www.turriefieldveg.co.uk

2021/02/12 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

- 12.1 Various funding information from Mr M Duncan, SIC Community Planning and Development (the Clerk is to forward this onto Members) –**

Corra Foundation – Drugs Services Support is administering two funds on behalf of the Scottish Government which have been designed to provide immediate support for grassroots, community, residential and family organisations in maintaining and improving drugs services.

There are two funds open: - Grassroots Fund: focused on community-based, not for profit organisations which deliver frontline services to support people who use drugs and their families. The Improvement Fund: will support drug service resources, particularly organisations which deliver services that lead to fast and appropriate access to treatment, residential rehabilitation and collaborative approaches that help people to address the underlying challenges that they face. The next deadline for applications is 8th March 2021. For more information please see the following website - <https://www.corra.scot/grants/drugs-services-funds/>

The People's Postcode Trust support smaller charities and good causes in Scotland to make a difference to their community for the benefit of people and planet, including –

Improving mental wellbeing

Enabling community participation in the arts

Preventing or reducing the impact of poverty

Improving biodiversity & green spaces

Enabling participation in physical activity

Registered charities can apply for up to £20,000 whereas non registered organisations can access up to £2,000. For more information please see the following website -

<https://www.postcodelottery.info>

Climate Action Fund – They are offering two types of funding - development funding up to £150,000, and full awards up to £1.5 million. They will fund medium to large scale projects addressing waste and consumption. They are looking to support place-based, community-led partnerships that will make the changes in their community they believe will have the biggest impact on climate change. They are looking to invest in community-led partnerships that are made up of a mix of organisations from different sectors. But the lead applicant should be a community-based organisation (voluntary sector organisation, social enterprise and school). The deadline for initial ideas is Thursday 8 April 2021. For more information, please see the following website - <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/climate-action-fund-round-2>

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2021/02/13 CARRIED FORWARD ITEMS

The Carried Forward Items were discussed and forms an Appendix to the Minutes.

2021/02/14 ANY OTHER CURRENT BUSINESS

- 14.1 Waste Bin at Mavis Grind - Overflowing** – Mr J Milne notified Members that this bin either needs a better collection or to be replaced by a larger bin as it is always full and the contents spilling out. The Clerk is to contact Mr Brydon Sinclair, SIC Waste Prevention Officer to ask for a bigger bin with a lid and for it to be emptied every two weeks. **Clerk to progress.**
- 14.2 Bench seat at Mavis Grind** – Mr J Milne also asked if a bench seat could be placed at Mavis Grind. He has checked and it is within the Delting boundary. The Chairman wondered if this would need planning permission. If the Community Council took this on, they would be responsible for it. We cannot get advice from SIC Planning until April. The Chairman is going to look into the cost of a four-seater sturdy bench seat and give an update at the next meeting.
- 14.3 Signs at Hams of Roe – Damaged** – Ms J Dennison reported that a sign three quarters of the way to the Hams of Roe has been snapped into pieces and another sign at the beginning of the walk has also been snapped but is still readable. She is wondering if they can be replaced. The Clerk is to contact Mr Kevin Serginson, SIC Outdoor Access Officer about this. **Clerk to progress.**
- 14.4 Recycling Bins – Maidenfield, Mossbank** – Mr E Smith reported that his recycling bin with paper has been missed twice. He has contacted the SIC about this, but nobody came back to empty it. The Clerk is to contact Mr Brydon Sinclair, SIC Waste Prevention Officer about this. **Clerk to progress.**

2021/02/15 DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The Chairman called for the next Delting Community Council virtual meeting to be held through Microsoft Teams on Thursday 25th March 2021 commencing at 7.30pm.

Chairman

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CARRIED FORWARD ITEMS

- 1 **Laxobiggin and Voe Cemeteries** – (Laxobiggin) letter to Jim Grant **11.8 May 2007** (Laxobiggin) Not currently required. **7.7 Aug 2007** (Laxobiggin) Chairman still discussing. **6.4 Sep 2007** (Laxobiggin) Chairman to progress with Director of Infrastructure Services – **Feb 2009**. (Laxobiggin) The Chairman is having discussions with Mr Bertie Johnson regarding an extension to the cemetery and access road down to the cemetery **Nov 2009**. (Laxobiggin) Chairman still discussing **Jun 2011**. (Laxobiggin) To be discussed on 11 Oct 2011 at the Public Meeting in Voe **Sep 2011** (Voe) A Public Meeting was held on 11th October 2011 at Voe Public Hall to discuss extending the existing kirk yard or having a kirk yard elsewhere in Voe. DCC have 3 months to explore alternative sites in Voe which would be suitable for the kirk yard. Mr A Cooper was going to speak to some people about land, access and drainage. **Oct 2011**. Currently Voe Cemetery is the main focus **Nov 2011**. (Voe) The application has been deferred until March to allow the Community Council to identify alternative sites. **Jan 2012**. (Voe) The Chairman stated that the SIC are looking into the costings of a new kirkyard and the extension of the current kirkyard **May 2012**. **Discussed Apr 2019**. (Laxobiggin) Discussed **Jun 2012**. (Laxobiggin) Discussed **Nov 2012**. (Laxobiggin) Discussed **May 2015**. (Laxobiggin and Voe) Chairman said that the SIC has no Capital Programme and no money to put in to a Capital Programme. Kirkyards will have to be resolved in the next few years **Aug 2015**. The Voe and Laxobiggin Kirkyards are not in the SIC Capital Programme. This could be discussed in the summer **Mar 2016**. Mr W Spence e-mailed the Chairman, he will forward this onto Members **Jun 2016**. The Chairman said that this is not in the SIC Capital Programme **Sept 2016**. The Chairman said that there have been more layers identified in the old kirkyard in Voe. A new kirkyard will be needed in Voe and Laxobiggin within the next 5-7 years. The Land Equisition 2017/18 – trying to get this in the Capital Programme **Nov 2016**. Discussed **Feb 2017**. A meeting with the Voe Community is needed sometime after the summer **Apr 2017**. Discussed **June 2017**. Mr W Spence, SIC Burial Services attended the meeting on 2nd Nov 2017. Ms R Griffiths is going to write a piece for the Shetland Times **Nov 2017**. Discussed **Feb 2018**. The Chairman said that the Capital Programme will be looked at with the new Chief Executive in the Autumn **Apr 2018**. Discussed **Jun 2018**. Discussed **Feb 2019**. Discussed **Apr 2019**. The Laxobiggin cemetery does not have many layers left. The Chairman will try to get this in the SIC Capital Programme. **Sep 2020** The Chairman will raise this at the mid term financial programme and asset programme with the SIC **Nov 2020**.
- 2 **Local Housing Policy** – letter sent to Environmental Health **12.5 Jun 2008** - response from Housing – reply sent asking for meeting to discuss support services – **7.10 – Aug 2008** Chairman to progress **6.5 Sep 2008** E-Mail seeking clarification on points raised **9.4 – Jan 2009** Chairman to progress with Housing **8.3 Mar 2009** Number of local issues which need to be addressed **6.3 May 2009** The SIC are going to come out with a consultation process on the local development plan and will be consulting Community Councils on local plans **Feb 2010**. Shetland Local Development Plan – Main Issues Report Consultation – SIC Infrastructure Services Department. Community consultation deadline 7th June 2010. **Jun 2010**. HNDA approved by Scottish Government last week. Still dealing with local housing policy **Sep 2010**. Discussed **Sep 2011**. The Chairman reported that Local Housing Strategy has been adopted by SIC and 10 houses to be built in Brae hopefully next year **Nov 2011**. Chairman reported 10 Council houses are going to be built in Brae **Feb 2012**. Discussed **Jun 2012**. Discussed **Nov 2012**. Discussed **Jun 2013**. The Chairman said that Anita Jamieson, Executive Manager, SIC Housing Services has asked for Members to think of house names **Feb 2014**. Members suggested 'Valayreburn' after the burn near the site and wondered about the possibility of remembering people of the place in the house names **Mar 2014**. Discussed **Jun 2014**. The Chairman said that Anita Jamieson is going to attend the ASCC to speak about the Local Plan **Sept 2014**. The Chairman said that there is going to be a Consultation on HNDA – Housing Need & Demand Assessment **May 2015**. Ms Anita Jamieson is working on the Housing Need & Demand Assessment and this will be coming out soon. There will be more discussions with the community within the next 12 months. There is a need for more houses in Delting **Aug 2015**. The Housing Needs Demands Assessment (HNDA) will be coming out and, following that, the Local Housing Policy **Oct 2015**.

CARRIED FORWARD ITEMS CONTINUED

- 2 Local Housing Policy continued** –The HNDA will be getting finalised before the summer recess **Mar 2016**. The HNDA is with the Scottish Government at the moment. The grant rate for Hjatland Housing Association is being increased. The SIC are giving £10,000 top up for some houses. This will be easier for Hjatland to build more houses **Jun 2016**. The Local Housing Strategy will be in place before the end of the current Council. A bulk of the housing will be in the central mainland **Sept 2016**. The Chairman said that HNDA was sent to the Scottish Government which sets out evidence of housing demand both in the private and social sector. Questions were received, completed and returned. The Housing Strategy will hopefully be in place before the end of this Council in May 2017. This identifies the land for private housing and the social housing too **Nov 2016**. Ms Anita Jamieson has got the policies for Council housing in Shetland. A final version will be coming out **Feb 2017**. The Chairman hopes more young people get employment at Sullom Voe Terminal and more houses are built in Delting **Apr 2017**. Discussed **Jun 2017**. The HNDA will be coming out soon **Sept 2017**. The Strategic Housing Involvement Plan is going to the Development Committee next week **Nov 2017**. The Chairman will be able to give an update in the Summer. At the moment, Shetland should be building 60-70 new houses per year, but they are building approximately 20 less than this. Most new houses will be in Lerwick, but some will be in Brae **Feb 2018**. The Chairman said in Shetland there will be little done in the next few years for Hjatland SIC housing in Delting. More effort for insulation and reduce fuel poverty in next few years for social housing. In Delting more effort will be to build private sector housing. There are a lot of empty rented properties in Brae and some houses on the market **Apr 2018**. The HNDA has not been approved yet **Jun 2018**. The Chairman will continue to fight for housing in Delting **Sept 2018**. The Chairman said that the Scottish Government are trying to get starter homes which will make it easier for first time home owners. This is the best chance for something happening in Delting **Feb 2019**. Discussed **Apr 2019**. The Chairman reported that the SIC are waiting for the Scottish Government to approve the HNDA but realistically the bulk of the effort is going to be in Lerwick over the next while. If Sullom Voe is going longer term, Enquest and Total may want to domicile staff which may encourage more low carbon, high insulated homes in Delting **Jun 2019**. The Chairman said by Spring 2020 the future of Sullom Voe Terminal will be clearer **Oct 2019**. The Chairman reported that at present the bulk of the housing (300 houses) is going to the Staney Hill in Lerwick. The likelihood of Delting getting new houses is slight unless the industry want to domicile the workforce in Shetland **Jan 2020**. The Chairman said that there is pressure on the SIC Housing Department to re-start the housing programme for the construction industry. The Scottish Government is putting on pressure for the SIC to deliver programmes as soon as possible **Jun 2020**. The Chairman said that the HNDA is under review with the Scottish Government and the local development plan will be coming through and we need to look at housing in the Delting area. **Sep 2020**. The Chairman said that the HNDA will be available early next year and is being discussed by the Scottish Government who will set out where houses are going to be built in Shetland in the next five years. **Nov 2020**. The Chairman explained that the HNDA (the document which the Scottish Government justifies the amount of aid they will put to Shetland) is in its final form and waiting to be signed off by the First Minister. Following this, SIC Housing can do the Housing Investment Programme and we will then see what housing will be coming to Delting. The Local Development Plan will show areas identified for development in Shetland. **Feb 2021**.
- 3 Sullom Voe Masterplan** – ongoing **Oct 2019**. The Chairman says this will have to come but has been delayed due to the coronavirus. **Sep 2020**. The Chairman said that there is potentially going to be a seaweed farm in Yell Sound. **Nov 2020**. The Chairman highlighted that this needs to be resolved. **Feb 2021**.
- 4 Reducing Speed Limits in Delting** – The Chairman said that many places all over Shetland want the speed limit reduced to either 30mph or 40mph **Oct 2019**. This will be raised with Mr N Hutcheson, SIC Roads Service at the February meeting **Jan 2020**.

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- 4 Reducing Speed Limits in Delting continued** – Issues with speeding in Delting raised from a member of the public. The Chairman said that speeding in Voe is a continual issue. The Clerk is to contact Mr Colin Gair at SIC Roads Service to see if this issue can be addressed. The Police is to be contacted about the speeding in Voe. They could possibly do a campaign about speeding as a lot of people are speeding in Delting **Sep 2020**. This was discussed during the meeting. There are places in Shetland that are getting temporary speed restrictions and Delting have been trying to get speed reductions in Voe and Brae for years. The Delting Community Council want special consideration for this in Spring 2021. They also want the speed cameras with the happy/frowny faces in Voe to discourage people from speeding and collect data so that they can gather evidence that the road is dangerous. **Nov 2020**. The Clerk contacted Mr Colin Gair, SIC Roads Service highlighting that there is no footpath going from the Tagon junction to the Lower Voe junction, the speed limit is too high and there are no footpaths or streetlights on this piece of road. She asked if this area could be considered for temporary speed restrictions. He has responded the targeted locations without footpaths or streetlights are trials to see if a reduction from 60mph to 50mph can effect a change in active travel when there are no other facilities available. The current trial areas are currently unrestricted sections of main road, unlike the section of A970 between the Tagon and Lower Voe junctions that already has a 50mph speed limit. Given that the type of speed limit reduction they are look at is already in place in Voe, by virtue of the road alignment and historical accident rate, it would not fit the scheme parameters being considered this time around. **Feb 2021**.
- 5 Local Energy Plan for Brae** - The Chairman said that the final report is out **Jun 2018**. The Chairman said there are tentative moves on with the Scatsta airfield affecting turbines that local developers want to put in. Scatsta airport is due to close on 30th June 2020 but there is still hope that it may open in the future but if windfarms in the surrounding area gets the go ahead, this will make it more difficult and is a very unfortunate disappointing situation **Apr 2020**. The Chairman said that one turbine for Brae is being proposed from the COBEN project and creating energy other than electricity. It should make a difference to the carbon footprint and be in the Wethersta area **Jun 2020**. The Chairman thought there was going to be a wind turbine in Brae, but this hasn't happened yet **Sep 2020**. The Chairman said that it may be hydrogen created as a fuel source. **Nov 2020**.
- 6 EnQuest attending one of the Community Councils meetings** – They have been invited to attend a meeting **Apr 2018**. The Chairman said that EnQuest need to sort out the site before attending a DCC meeting **Oct 2019**. The Chairman said we need them to attend a meeting **Jun 2020**. The Clerk is to invite them to a meeting **Sep 2020**. The Chairman thinks we need clarity on the Clair oilfield and then EnQuest need to attend one of our meetings. **Feb 2021**.
- 7 Sparl Road, Voe – Deteriorating State** – Mr Kevin Serginson, SIC Outdoors Access Officer is to be contacted to ask about getting this road fixed up before Spring next year **Sep 2020**. Mr Kevin Serginson sent an e-mail stating that he has looked at costings for this in the past and it was £15,000 and it would be more now. He has no current budget to carry out the re-surfacing and drainage that would be required. The Chairman and Mrs E Macdonald will look at the path in February 2021 and look at possibly getting it drained. **Nov 2020**. The Chairman said that this project could come under the Shetland Community Benefit Fund when we get clarity on the Advance Grant Scheme. **Feb 2021**.
- 8 House Numbers in Skelladale – sign** – Mr N Hutcheson, SIC Roads Service sent an e-mail in February 2020 to say that it is likely that these works will be done early in the next financial year in April or May. **Jun 2020**.

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CARRIED FORWARD ITEMS CONTINUED

- 9 The Local Government Boundary Commission** – The ASCC held a meeting on 17th September which included an electoral review of the Shetland Islands Council area. They are proposing a Shetland North Ward comprising of Brae, Hillswick, Mossbank and North Roe. They are proposing to put Voe with the North Isles, Lunnasting, Vidlin and Nesting **Sep 2019**. Delting Community Council organised a meeting in Voe on 16th December 2019 regarding the proposal for Voe to go with Nesting and Lunnasting. Members of the public were keen for Voe to remain within Delting. Following this, a letter has been received from Mr J Riise, SIC Corporate Services, he states that the SIC accepts the status quo remain for the Shetland North area. The Chairman said that the Boundary Commission have not made their decision as yet **Jan 2020**. The Chairman said that this has been on hold since the coronavirus pandemic began. **Nov 2020**. The Chairman and Mrs E Macdonald are very concerned about this and fear what the Boundary Commission's decision will be. **Feb 2021**.
- 10 Memorial Bench in Moorfield, Brae Request** – The Chairman is dealing with this request **Sep 2020**. The Chairman said that he wants to see this being placed at the Brae Kirkyard. **Nov 2020**.
- 11 Participatory Budgetting** – This will be looked into again **Sep 2020**. The Chairman said the coronavirus has had an impact on this. The Scottish Government will not be introducing this for around one or two years. **Nov 2020**. The Chairman said that local authorities will have to spend 1% of their budget on participatory budgetting by 2022. **Feb 2021**.
- 12 Brae Woodland – Path** – The Chairman will look into getting materials for the path after Covid-19 and check that Shetland Amenity Trust agrees we can proceed **Jun 2020**. The Chairman said that this may be able to be done in Spring 2021. Bags of aggregate would be required but Shetland Amenity Trust would need to approve this first. Ms G Smith said she will look into this. **Nov 2020**. The Chairman is going to speak to the Shetland Amenity Trust about this in the Summer time. **Feb 2021**.