

SCALLOWAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Scalloway Community Council Meeting held on Monday 17 May 2021 at 7pm via Zoom on-line meeting.

01/05/21 PRESENT:

John Hunter – Chair	John MacKenzie
Mark Burgess.	Kenny Pottinger
Andrew Blackadder	Liz Walter

In attendance:

Edna Nicol – Clerk	Cllr Davie Sandison
Cllr Moraig Lyall	Cllr Ian Scott
PC A Patrick	
Co-op Representatives Steven Livingston, Alastair Ness & Ian Mason	

02/05/21 APOLOGIES:

Michael Duncan - SIC	Roselyn Fraser - SIC
Louise Davis	Lindsay Laurenson

03/05/21 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minute of the meeting held on 19 April 2021 was proposed by John M and seconded by Andrew with the following correction:

- 06/04/21 Should read Scalloway Waterfront and not Camp Site.

04/05/21 CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES

The representative in attendance explained that they are a company called Seamount Property Development Company and based in Edinburgh. They have enjoyed a good working relationship with the Co-op in the past and when the Co-op made them aware of requirements for two stores in Shetland this piqued their interest. When members questioned the sites chosen it was explained that the Co-op had already chosen Sandwick and Scalloway based on data and their aim is to complement what retail provision is already in the village. Moraig said that Scalloway's population is relatively static due to lack of available land in the area to build houses on but Tingwall's population is growing rapidly and there is no shop at all. The representatives said that they are working through the planning process and the East Voe site ticked all the boxes. Full planning was applied for in March and the objection Scalloway CC had submitted to the application had been reviewed and they felt it was well considered and they were sorry they hadn't engaged with the community or the Community Council sooner and were in attendance tonight to listen to concerns and see how we take things forward. They stated by adding more choice for shoppers' aids retention of residents. Andrew said that he could understand that if they were proposing that the store be in the centre of Scalloway but as it is outside the village that doesn't hold water. Representatives explained that a Retail Impact Assessment is not planning policy for a store of this size so they have commissioned a company to provide a Full Retail Statement of Spend which should be in draft form by 14 June 2021 and they would be happy to share. Andrew said doubling the retail floor area in an area where the market was static as the population is not growing would mean that someone would not survive. Alistair Ness said that they hadn't been able to find a site in the centre of Scalloway that could supply what the Co-op was looking for. Mark said that there is already a shop in Scalloway that sells Co-op brand products, so the Co-op are aware of what products are selling locally through this and questions as to whether that had paid into the Co-op's decision to look at Scalloway. Mark also asked how the Co-op would break its mould and assist with the likes of the Christmas Gift Voucher Scheme. The answer to that was that the Co-op already

donates to the community. A lot of chat continued in the same vein with representatives saying that they were adding to the customer experience and aiding customer retention in the area.

Co-op representatives left the meeting at 7.55pm.

05/05/21 MATTERS ARISING

SCDF Discussion – Mark has sought legal guidance on discussing contractual issues which is not appropriate at a public meeting. SIC Governance and Law took a long time to come back on this but confidential matters such as lease issues can be discussed in private. Meetings should not record any sensitive details.

Tingwall Graveyard – Davie got an update and there has been no change to the schedule recently. Graveyards are to be cut 12 to 14 times per year. Liz said Tingwall was always immaculate, and standards appear to have slipped and for some folk was upsetting to see the site of it. Davie said he wasn't sure on the standard of the cut but there is a mulching process.

06/05/21 COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONSTITUTION – remove from Agenda as was discussed at last meeting.

07/05/21 RE-CREATE SCALLOWAY

Port Arthur Site – Davie said that he had been made aware that the landowner has been approached about using site for options other than housing. Landowner seems fixed on housing only, so there is a conversation to be had. John said that this should be left for the SCDC to deal with.

08/05/21 ASCC Update – John and Mark to attend.

09/05/21 CLERK RESIGNATION

John has drafted and circulated and advert for the Clerk post. Members agreed that this needs to be seen in as many places as possible. John to arrange.

Action: J Hunter

10/05/21 ROADS

Castle Street – member of the public reported that there is an issue with cars parking right at the junction with the round-about at the end of Castle Street. It has been reported that it is staff working inside the school building. Edna to contact School. Kenny suggested that double yellow lines would be the best solution.

Action: E Nicol

Main Street – update from Roads is that work is to be undertaken in June.

11/05/21 POLICE

Officer has connection issues but will email the latest briefing paper for Edna to circulate.

Action: E Nicol

12/05/21 FINANCE

Grant Applications – Edna has had it confirmed that the Fraser Park Trust application does not meet the conditions of the CDF. Edna has already let the FPT know and will destroy the application as it contains financial information.

Action: E Nicol

Special Projects Grant – no update to report.

Supporting Communities Fund – Mark completed the reporting stage and submitted along with a supporting letter to HiE so just waiting to hear back if they agree.

Action: M Burgess

Town Centre Fund – John M said that SCDC has been working with this and that listed building consent as well as planning permission has been applied for the Scalloway Hall. Andrew has also applied for some of the funds that were left over from last year's fund to allow for work that can be done more immediately.

Action: J MacKenzie

Jamieson Trust – the new mechanism and time controller has arrived and just waiting for someone to install it. Electrical work must be signed off by qualified electrician, so Mark has made an approach to a local who is willing to help.

Action: M Burgess

SCC Financial Year End – VAS for independent examination of the accounts is now complete with no issues. John agreed to sign of the accounts virtually. Edna to submit to Michael Duncan and copy John into email as approval.

Action: E Nicol

SCC Core Fund – this has been awarded.

CDF & SPF 2021/22 – John completed and submitted the CDF application form.

Action: J Hunter

13/05/21 CORRESPONDENCE

All email correspondence all circulated to all members.

Licensing Application – Application for Premises Licence, 8 Giblestone Road, Scalloway. John M, Liz and Davie all declared an interest and did not take part. There were no objections to the application.

14/05/21 PLANNING

2021/157/PPF – Replace hard landscaping around Scalloway Public Hall. Improve parking arrangement and disabled access. Install new bus shelter on Berry Road. John, Andrew, Mark, John M and Davie all declared an interest. This left CC not quorate so unable to make a decision. Edna instructed to email all members not in attendance for their comment.¹

2021/172/PPF – Form altered access to serve new house and existing cottage: erect dwelling house with air source heat pump and attached garage; erect separate garage/workshop adjacent house at Fern Cottage, East Voe, Scalloway by Mr & Mrs Jason and Emma Jamieson. There were no comments or objections to this application.

Action: E Nicol

¹ This was done following the meeting and there were no comments or objections from any members.

15/05/21 AOCB

CDF – Edna to contact Michael Duncan and ask if SCC’s CDF application has been approved.

Action: E Nicol

SPF – members to come up with some ideas for a new project and get the application for funds submitted. Davie suggested a picnic bench and litter bin at Burwick. Many more walkers in the area and much more litter. It is on the walking route so it would be good to support this. Davie also said that the residents in the area made the commitment to empty the bins. Members agreed that this needs to be discussed with the residents further.

Action: M Burgess

16/05/21. **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next full meeting of the **Scalloway Community Council** will be held on **Monday 21 June 2021 via Zoom on-line.**

Meeting ended at 8.37pm.