

# SANDWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTE

**A meeting of the above Community Council was held via  
Zoom video conferencing due to Covid 19  
30 March 2021 at 7.30pm**

**Present :**

Kieran Malcolmsen (KM) Interim Chair  
Yvonne Malcolmsen (YM) Interim Vice Chair  
Bryan Peterson (BP)

**In attendance :**

Cllr George Smith (GS)  
Cllr Robbie McGregor (RM)  
Allison Duncan (AD)

**Apologies Received :**

Michael Duncan (SIC)  
Ana Arnett (AA- SIC)  
Mairi Smith (MS)

**Clerk : Sally Sanford**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Narrative</b>
<b>Approval of Previous Minutes</b>	Minute of the Meeting held 23.2.21 were approved by BP and YM with acknowledgement that there are outstanding items being carried forward from Pre-Covid” and these will remain noted until normal meetings resume.
<b>Declarations Of Interest</b>	Cllr Robbie McGregor, SIC Planning Committee KM Committee Member SYCC
<b>Police Report</b>	None received, AD offered to follow up as the lack of Police Reports is also affecting other Community Councils.
<b>Matters Arising</b>	Road Safety – Passing places on road heading north from Setter towards A970.... Clerk to request Roads Dept when they are reviewing signs, to clarify road markings (passing places /access roads) & request “Single track road with passing places” signage.  Discussion resolved that Clerk should add to the dialogue with SIC Roads Dept to request moving the speed limit sign on the southern road into Sandwick to nearer the main A970 junction. It was felt that this would be helpful with the increase in new homes, the aim being to reduce speed of traffic travelling downhill towards Sandwick, where there is a blind summit and only an informal, non tarmac place to pass.  Broonies Taing Pier Trust – safety concerns deferred to next meeting, to allow time for discussion with members of the community & site visit..

SCBF – Advance Grant Scheme – Discussion agreed to accept their Memorandum of Understanding & Data Agreement. Deferred to next meeting a decision regarding nominating a New Director.

From the ASCC meeting, KM to gather comments regarding general questions to put to SIC Roads Dept (via ASCC) on the matter of how to progress concerns raised by members of the community.

From the ASCC meeting, noted that the SIC Outdoor Access Guidance Officer has free signage available for Crofters & landowners regarding responsible access for the public.

From ASCC meeting, agreed to use SIC standardised Distribution Grant forms for 2021/22 year.

### **Planning**

2 consultations appeared in the week prior to the meeting.  
2021/106/PPF (Supermarket) & 2021/120/PPF (Mousa).  
No comments re Mousa. Proposal for Supermarket, Clerk to request extension to consultation time frame. Clerk to clarify with Planning Dept, Community Councillors role and what guidance is available.

### **Finance**

Distribution Grant £2000 funding already awarded to local groups..  
New application from Brenna Players received, approved sum of £200 and advise that SCC supports their initiative.  
Clerks mileage claim (full year) agreed as per contract £83.76  
Clerk to apply for 2021/22 Distribution Grant.

### **Correspondence**

Hoswick Play Park enquiry for support – discussion agreed that the Community Council itself does not have the finances or resources to take this on as a Project. They thanked the volunteers who have run the Playpark to date, and would be supportive of the group if they can find a way to continue. There has been benefit to the local community, and SCC would welcome further updates.

Request for support of an unadopted track in Hoswick – discussion agreed to continue position that SCC does not contribute to any unadopted roads in the area.

Enquiry regarding safety of the old Hoswick Chapel - concerns over building integrity and request that this is monitored before next winter. Discussion agreed that Clerk would open dialogue with Planning Enforcement.

VAS survey – clerk to complete

Hjatland Housing Association Survey – clerk to complete

Enquiry from Scambusters, offering a presentation at a future meeting. Agreed to proceed, clerk to organise.

**Any Other Business** (a) **2020 Project Update** – Community Skips to be booked in same format as last autumn. Dates to be 1 & 15 May to follow on from the Voar Redd Up being organised by Shetland Amenity Trust.

**(b) Enquiry from Visit Scotland**, requesting comments on Tourism opening up with the easing of restrictions. SCC agreed to welcome return to normality in line with relaxation of National guidelines. Noted that this is a Public Health issue, and outside any area of expertise within SCC.

(c) Kirtleside ditching – follow up from last autumn's enquiry to SIC Roads about culverting the ditch. Clerk to clarify what SIC response was.

**Pre - Covid Items carried forward -**

- (i) Vacancies on Community Council & Chair
- (ii) ASCC -
- (iii) Councillors photos for website
- (iv) Standardised Grant Applications/protocols
- (v) SYCC Update
- (vi) Senior Pupil Council invitation

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm

The next Zoom meeting was set for 7.30 pm on Tues 27 April.  
*This minute is DRAFT until approved by the Council at the next meeting.*