

# SANDWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTE

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

**Present :**

Kieran Malcolmson (KM) Interim Chair  
Yvonne Malcolmson (YM) Interim Vice Chair  
Bryan Peterson (BP)  
Mairi Smith (MS)

**In attendance :**

Cllr George Smith (GS)  
Cllr Robbie McGregor (RM)  
Ana Arnett (AA- SIC)

**Apologies Received :**

Michael Duncan (SIC)  
Allison Duncan (AD)

**Clerk : Sally Sanford**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Narrative</b>
<b>Approval of Previous Minutes</b>	Minute of the Meeting held 26.1.21 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 (clerk to enquire re these seem to have decreased in frequency)
<b>Matters Arising</b>	2 Community Waste bins to be provided by SIC without charge, leading to Project Funds being available to repeat the Community Skip – 2 x Saturdays planning for May. Clerk to liaise with Waste Services re costings..  Road Safety – KM circulated results of his search for previous raised issues. Councillors agreed to forward to Parent Council.  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) & consider adding directional priority signage.  Broonies Taing Pier Trust – Tait & Peterson confirm that Shetland Industries Ltd as long term leaseholders responsible for upkeep & safety. Discussion resolved Clerk to contact Environmental Health regarding concerns raised about public safety.

SCBF – Advance Grant Scheme – Zoom meeting held clarifying draft agreement. Scheme now open for applications. SIC offered to assist clarification on the draft agreement.

Playpark lighting - comprehensive follow up from SIC Leisure facilities – confirming that policy is not to add lighting as a deterrent to antisocial behaviour, the primary consideration is user safety, and with evidence from other locations, it is to remove lighting from playparks & multi-courts. Consensus is hopeful that incidents of antisocial behaviour will reduce as society comes out of pandemic restrictions.

Discussion found that the School, SYCC, Youth workers, & Councillors are well aware of the problems of antisocial behaviour in the vicinity of the Playpark, and that hopefully these will reduce as society opens up after the pandemic. The bottle banks are due to emptied, delays have unfortunately occurred due to vehicle breakdown. Discussion confirmed Councillors keen for the recycling banks to be emptied more frequently to avoid this part of the problem reoccurring.

**Planning**

No current applications.

**Finance**

Distribution Grant - Allotments & Parent Council applications received totalling double what is available. Discussion resolved to approve grants of £1000 each to both applicants. This almost fully allocates funds available for the current financial year.

**Correspondence**

Camperdown Road – letter from residents received and circulated. With thanks to prompt action by GS liaising with SIC Roads Department, this issue has been addressed with the clerk to advise residents to discuss with Roads Dept to progress improvements suggested.

**Any Other Business**

- (a) Dog Fouling** Councillors noted that the problem of fouling is ongoing. Discussion resolved to consider another campaign after the spring Community Skips.
- (b) SYCC Update** After an EGM a new committee has been formed, and while impact of the pandemic remains significant, the committee are positive about moving forwards.
- (c) HVC** follow up regarding Distribution Grant funding. Appreciation noted for follow up, & the work delivering this project to the community during the pandemic.

**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 9.10 pm

The next Zoom meeting was set for 7.30 pm on Tues 30 21 March.  
*This minute is DRAFT until approved by the Council at the next meeting.*