

DRAFT Minutes of Meeting of Yell Community Council

Monday 19th July 2021 via Zoom Online Conferencing

Present: Mr L Odie (Chair), Mrs A Jamieson, Ms K Hannay,

Apologies: Mr J Nicholson, Mr M Duncan, Mr A Ross, Ms F Browne (North Isles Community Development Worker)

In Attendance: K Lonsdale (Clerk), Cllr R Thomson (Elected Representative North Isles),

L Odie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

7/21/1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr R Thomson declared an interest in the Energy Isles Wind Farm item.

Mr L Odie declared an interest in the proposed SSEN Switching Station.

The Clerk declared an interest in the Cullivoe Primary School grant applications.

7/21/2 MINUTES

21st June 2021- The minutes for the June meeting were approved by Mrs A Jamieson and Mr L Odie.

ACTION: clerk to forward to CC Liaison, NI Dvp Worker, Police, SIC Elected Representatives and post on the website

7/21/3 POLICE REPORT

Members would like to request a current police report.

ACTION: Clerk to contact PC Manson, Police Scotland

7/21/4 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

4.1 TRANSPORT- FERRIES

Long queues- Members are concerned by long queues and vehicles left behind at Ulsta, particularly on Monday afternoon when only one ferry is running. Cllr Thomson will report YCC concerns to the transport department and request the figures on the numbers of vehicles left behind.

ACTION: Cllr Thomson to action

Community Hires- YCC received confirmation that community hires can be used for all community events including weddings. With only 4 return runs annually available to YCC it will be important to advertise their availability and have a closing date on applications so all can be considered fairly.

Ulsta booking office- Members note the correspondence regarding the change in hours on Sundays to the Ulsta Booking Office.

Exact fares- Cllr Thomson reported that he believes that cash payments will soon resume on the ferries.

Online bookings for Commercial vehicles- Clr Thomson reported that he understood the system needed to handle online bookings for commercial vehicles has been upgraded and should be in effect soon.

4.2 ROADS

Cullivoe to Gutcher Road- Following a site visit with Community Council members and Mr D Coupe, SIC, L Odie reported that there has been draft proposed changes to the road into Cullivoe at the Stonganess Brig. Dave Coupe is to provide an additional plan showing the road to the foot of the hill. Once this plan becomes available L Odie will meet with local CC members to discuss it and make suggestions or amendments.

Burravoe Footpath- At a recent site visit L Odie made suggestions for the construction of the footpath to Mr D Coupe, SIC. Mr Coupe was receptive to the ideas and will discuss further with Ms R Barton, Active Travel.

ACTION: Clerk to update Burravoe Parent Council

Trees at Stonganess- 'Blind Bend' signs will be placed at the site as a temporary measure to warn road users of the lack of visibility due to the trees.

Water on road, Burnside Burravoe- No response

ACTION: Clerk to contact Roads for an update

Sign post at the head of Mid Yell Voe- No advancement, awaiting delivery of poles

Hamnavoe Graveyard Parking- The area in front of the main gate where members suggested a parking space is classified as a passing place and a disabled parking place cannot be placed there.

Disabled space, Greenbank Road Cullivoe- Members note the allocation of a disabled parking space.

West Sandwick Graveyard Road- Members reported repairs undertaken on the road.

4.3 NHS ISSUES

There has been no response from NHS representatives on an update to the recruitment of a GP for Yell and Fetlar to YCC. A Jamieson will phone Mr M Dickson, NHS Shetland, to receive a response.

ACTION: A Jamieson to action

Discover the Joy Doctors Scheme- Following Ms B Wishart's attendance at last month's meeting she investigated further into the Rediscover the Joy programme which is used to assist in the recruitment of doctors to rural areas. Ms Wishart will keep YCC informed on responses.

Ambulance- Members would like to request and update on the recruitment and training of new volunteers for the ambulance and when the new ambulance could be expected.

ACTION: Clerk to request update

4.4 ENERGY ISLES WIND FARM

No update.

4.5 KSB BEACH AWARDS

Repairs to the box at Breckon Beach have not been made. Clerk will remove the box until it can be suitably replaced.

4.6 SKIP DAY

Saturday 28th August was suggested as the provisional date for the next community skip day providing skips and monitors can be secured for this day.

ACTION: Clerk to contact relevant parties

ACTION: Clerk to advertise skip day

4.7 DOG WASTE BINS

SIC are not able to provide dedicated dog waste bins but advised members that dog waste can be placed in the provided rubbish bins. Members would like to request signs for the bins to inform the public of this.

ACTION: Clerk to contact Waste Management

4.8 SSEN SWITCHING STATION

A public consultation event regarding the switching station at Burravoe in connection with the SSEN Shetland Renewal Connections Project will be held on 8th September in the Burravoe Hall. Members would like to encourage residents to attend the consultation.

The proposal will be for a large shed, 32m long, 16m wide and 13m high, to house the equipment that will allow power generated in the North Isles to be exported to Kergrod. However there will be the future option for another building to house equipment to allow energy generated in the North Isles to be used in the North Isles.

ACTION: Clerk to advertise consultation event

4.9 CAR CHARGING PORT

YCC requested that consideration be made for the placement of an electric car charging point in the Mid Yell Leisure Centre/School car park. No response has been received yet.

ACTION: Clerk to request an update

4.10 TARRING IN UNST

Those wishing to travel between the 12th and 23rd July are encouraged to plan in advance and book their journeys.

4.11 CC CONSTITUTION

YCC formally moved to adopt the new Community Council constitution, proposed by Ms A Jamieson and Mr L Odie.

ACTION: Chair to sign and return the Constitution to SIC

4.12 PICNIC BENCHES

Locations- Members proposed locations for the remaining picnic benches commissioned by the Community Anchor Organisation as part of the COVID funding YCC received. The proposed locations were Burravoe Caravan Site, Mid Yell Pier, Galtigarth and Cullivoe Hall.

Painting- The new benches, a number of the existing benches and the beach notice board are in need of repainting. It was suggested that the Community Payback Team might be able to undertake the task. Funding for the paint could be requested by YCC making an application to the Shetland Community Benefit Fund's Advanced Grant Scheme.

ACTION: Clerk to contact Community Payback Team

7/21/5 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 GUTCHER PIER

A concerned constituent reported abandoned vehicles and overflowing bins at the Gutcher Pier. The abandoned vehicle has been reported to the Shetland Amenity Trust and they will remove it in due course. The constituent was informed that the waste bins are often heavily used during the summer and was thanked for their efforts in cleaning up the area.

CC members were encouraged to look out for other abandoned vehicles in Yell and report to the clerk to inform the SAT.

ACTION: Clerk to update resident on SAT progress

5.2 SULLOM VOE MASTER PLAN

Members note receipt of the Sullom Voe Master Plan

5.3 SAND REMOVAL- WEST SANDWICK BEACH

The clerk had received a message from a beach user who was concerned that quantities of sand were being removed from the West Sandwick Beach. YCC members will monitor the situation in future.

ACTION: Clerk to respond

5.4 FIREWORKS CONSULTATION

Members note the consultation.

5.5 REQUEST FOR SSMO MEMBER

An ASCC member is needed to become a member of the Shetland Shellfish Management Organisation. YCC members note this request.

7/21/6 FINANCE/GRANTS

6.1 SCBF AGS GRANT APPLICATIONS

Cullivoe Primary School Parents Council- Members approved a grant of £3800 for the renovations to the School grounds and garden. Moved by Mrs A Jamieson and Ms K Hannay.

Dogs Against Drugs- Members approved a grant of £500 for the provision of an education programme in schools. Moved by Mrs A Jamieson and Ms K Hannay.

Classic Motor Show- Members approved a grant of £200 for the building of staging. Moved by Mrs A Jamieson and Ms K Hannay.

ACTION: Clerk to submit offers

6.2 CDF GRANT APPLICATIONS

Cullivoe Primary School- Members approved a grant of £400 for raised beds in the schools polytunnel. Moved by Mrs A Jamieson and Ms K Hannay.

ACTION: Clerk to submit offers

6.3 ROAD GRANT APPLICATIONS

Mr A Skinner- The Hooses, Cullivoe- Major resurfacing- £405.

Mr E Williamson- Hamarslea Houlland, Burravoe- Tarring- £282
Moved by Ms A Jamieson and Ms K Hannay.

ACTION: Clerk to submit offers

7/21/7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members discussed methods for promoting the work done by the Community Council and how best to attract new members in the upcoming byelections on October 21st.

THE MEETING ENDED AT 21.15 HRS

The next meeting of the Yell Community Council will be held on

Monday 16th August 2021 via Zoom Online Conferencing.