

DRAFT Minutes of Meeting of Yell Community Council

Monday 16th August 2021 via Zoom Online Conferencing

Present: Mr L Odie (Chair), Mrs A Jamieson, Ms K Hannay, Mr R Jamieson, Mr J Nicholson, Mr S Henderson, Mr J Saunders

Apologies: Mr M Duncan, Mr A Ross, Cllr R Thomson (Elected Representative North Isles),

In Attendance: K Lonsdale (Clerk), Ms F Browne (North Isles Community Development Worker)

L Odie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

8/21/1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

8/21/2 MINUTES

19th July 2021- The minutes for the July meeting were approved by Mrs A Jamieson and Ms K Hannay.

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

8/21/3 POLICE REPORT

Members noted the police reports received after the previous meeting for the preceding 2 months and for this month, and supported PC Manson's request to post information regarding drink driving and the MOT exemption rules on the YCC Facebook page.

8/21/4 COMMUNITY WORK

F Browne was informed of the email received from Beatrice Wishart MSP regarding childcare provision. It is promising that the provision has been increased for vulnerable two year olds and that a Childcare Strategy Officer has been appointed, but it still does not encompass under twos or outside of school hours. ***ACTION: F Browne to find out more details***

8/21/5 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

5.1 TRANSPORT- FERRIES

Community Hires- Following confirmation that community hires can be used for weddings as well as community events, YCC members feel that there may be more demand for hires than the allocation allows. In order to ensure that the allocations are made fairly, a deadline of 15th September has been set to allow all applications for the current financial year to be discussed at the September meeting of YCC.

ACTION: Clerk to put notice in shops

Unable to transit figures- The figures received show that there is insufficient ferry provision for the demand at certain times of day.

ACTION: Clerk to request figures monthly

Repainting Ulsta Car Park- The numbers on the lanes at Ulsta are in need of repainting, the faded markings make it difficult for all to see.

Online booking for commercial vehicles- Online bookings for commercial vehicles have still not been introduced.

ACTION: Clerk to contact Ferries

5.2 ROADS

Cullivoe Road- Another site visit with Mr D Coupe, SIC, has been arranged between YCC members on 17th August in order to look over the proposed plans for the extension around the Stonganess corner. The proposal is for the extension to be on the west side of the trees and then curve up the Cullivoe Road.

Trees at Stonganess- Traffic warning signs have not yet been sited. Members reported a number of small accidents and near misses in recent weeks at the site. It is important that all accidents are reported to the police as this strengthens the case for improvements to the road.

ACTION: Clerk to ask police if any accidents have been reported

Burravoe footpath- No update

Sign at the head of Mid Yell Voe- No update

Water on the road Burnside, Burravoe- Markings have been made on the road to show the waterline.

Thistles- Members reported large numbers of thistles growing at the side of the road that will need to be sprayed.

ACTION: Clerk to contact roads

Scaffolding poles, Usita Shop- The poles are very close to the road and may cause a problem but cones have been placed there.

ACTION: L Odie to contact shop

5.3 NHS ISSUES

A Jamieson spoke with Mr Michael Dickson, NHS Shetland, and arranged a future meeting to discuss the ongoing issues including GP recruitment. It is felt by NHS Shetland that the 24/7 on call aspect for the GP may be part of the reason that recruitment has been unsuccessful and that adjustments may have to be made.

The Yell and Fetlar GP role is a complex and very demanding one with a large, aging population to care for. It is important for the community to be part of the conversation around service provision for the islands. The stalled Health and Social Care Project could intergrate provision for additional means of care.

Social Care at home is in very high demand currently due to restrictions in Care Centres. There is also a staffing crisis currently across Shetland regarding social care.

Ambulance- Members were informed that four candidates are currently awaiting the final part of their training in order to become volunteers which would take the total number of volunteers to 7 plus a coordinator. The Yell ambulance is in very high demand and members asked if there was any quicker way to access the training through inter-agency cooperation.

Discover the Joy Scheme for GPs- Members note the response from Beatrice Wishart MSP who is seeking further information from NHS Shetland on the project.

5.4 ENERGY ISLES WIND FARM

The public consultation for the SSEN switching station is on the 8th September at the Burravoe Hall. Members are encouraged to attend.

ACTION: Clerk to advertise on YCC Facebook page.

5.5 KSB BEACH AWARDS

The broken box has been removed from Breckon beach.

5.6 SKIPS

Bookings are being taken for the community skip day on the 28th August. The Cullivoe skip is well subscribed but members discussed consolidating the Mid Yell and Burravoe skips into one should bookings for those locations not increase.

Members discussed, in future, limiting drop offs to one car or trailer load per booking.

ACTION: Clerk to advertise in Shetland Times North Isle column

5.7 DOG WASTE BINS

Signs for the existing bins denoting that they can be used for dog waste are expected to be placed.

5.8 CAR CHARGING POINT AT MIDYELL SCHOOL/LEISURE CENTRE

No response

5.9 PICNIC BENCH PAINTING

The Community Pay Back Team could paint the picnic benches in Yell. YCC will compile a list of the benches and apply for funding for materials.

5.10 ABANDONED VEHICLES

Abandoned vehicles are an issue in Yell. Members have been asked to report any vehicles to the clerk to compile a list. YCC will ask the police for advice on how to proceed with the issue. F Browne suggested taking the issue to the next ASCC meeting.

ACTION: Clerk to contact PC Manson, Police Scotland and M Duncan, SIC

5.11 SCBF DIRECTOR

YCC needs to appoint a new director to the SCBF committee as currently Yell is not represented on the board.

8/21/6 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Yell Community Council has 1 vacancy. Members are encouraged to ask members of the community to apply. Nominations must be made by Thursday 9th September.

6.2 FLOOD MANAGEMENT CONSULTATION

Members note the consultation and how it connects to the issues with the Stongness Bridge.

8/21/7 FINANCE/ GRANTS

7.1 SCBF AGS APPLICATIONS

YCC deferred making a decision on this application until the next meeting.

7.2 CDF APPLICATION

Mid Yell Festive Celebrations- Members approved a grant of £500 for the purchase of lights and decorative figures. Proposed by Ms K Hannay and Mr S Henderson.

7.5 COMMUNITY HIRE APPLICATIONS

Applications will be discussed at the next meeting.

8/21/8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Meeting date change- The date for the October meeting of YCC has been changed to 25th.

Clerk to inform M Duncan, SIC and Shetland Times

Meeting with Sellaness- Members requested a meeting with Ferry Operations at Sellaness to discuss current ferry related issues, among them the difficulties experienced travelling with hazardous goods.

ACTION: L Odie to arrange meeting

THE MEETING ENDED AT 21.45 HRS

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

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