

## **DRAFT Minutes of Meeting of Yell Community Council**

**Monday 13th December 2021 via Zoom Online Conferencing**

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

Apologies: Mr S Henderson, Mr Michael Duncan, Mr J Saunders

In Attendance: K Lonsdale (Clerk), Ms F Browne (North Isles Community Development Worker), Cllr R Thomson (Elected Representative North Isles), Cllr A Priest (Elected Representative North Isles, PC Dana Jamieson (Police Scotland)

L Odie welcomed everyone to the meeting and made a special welcome to PC Dana Jamieson.

### **12/21/1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Mr R Jamieson, Cllr R Thomson and Mr L Odie declared an interest in the Energy Isles Wind Farm item.

Ms J Lyth declared an interest in the SCBF Grant Application from the Burravoe Christmas Tree

### **12/21/2 MINUTES**

15th November 2021- The minutes for the November meeting were approved by Mr R Jamieson and Mrs A Jamieson.

### **12/21/3 POLICE REPORT**

Members welcomed PC Dana Jamieson who is now in post and is resident in Yell. The Chair advised that prior to the monthly meeting of Yell Community Council members normally receive a Police Report to review. It would be useful if that could be reinstated.

### **12/21/4 COMMUNITY WORK**

Following discussions last month about the possibility of in person and hybrid meetings F Browne sent information to the clerk, chair and vice chair regarding audio and visual equipment to facilitate that.

### **12/21/5 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

#### **5.1 TRANSPORT- FERRIES**

**Festive Timetable-** The Festive Timetable has been published without consultation with Community Councils and is similar to that of previous years. L Odie corresponded with Sellaness after concerns that the timetable is inadequate on the non holidays days as businesses eg Cooke are still operating at normal capacity. YCC members would like to see a revision of the festive timetable next year with meaningful consultation from Community Councils to ensure that the communities affected can make maximum use of the reduced service.

**Minutes from meeting with Sellaness 9.11.21-** YCC have not received the minutes from the meeting with Ferry Operations and officials. Cllr R Thomson hoped that YCC members would have sight of the minutes by the end of the week.

**Changes to Bluemull Service-** The service on the Bluemull Sound will be operating a single vessel service to the Saturday timetable from 6th to 21st January. This is due to the unplanned works on the MV Bigga and MV Fivla which had to be done to enable them to meet MCA regulations to carry Dangerous Goods, which has had a knock on effect on the docking schedule.

Cllr R Thomson reported concerns, particularly from teachers commuting from Yell to Unst, that the Saturday timetable is very inconvenient and he has raised this matter with Sellaness. Cllr Thomson would like to see provisions made to prioritise teacher's journeys.

**COVID resilience-** Members asked Cllr Thomson about the measures being taken to ensure the safety of crew members and the resilience of the ferry service in the light of the new Omicron Covid variant. Cllr Thomson informed members that measures and contingencies are ready to be implemented should the Scottish Government advise that changes are necessary but assured that a return to the emergency timetable would be a last resort. Members expressed their views that they feel it is important for the service to take all necessary measures to be as resilient as possible to limit any potential disruptions.

#### 5.2 R100 UPDATE

Mr Marvin Smith, SIC, reported that the R100 project is running to schedule. L Odie reported surveying work being undertaken in Burravoe to bring the cables ashore.

#### 5.3 PICNIC BENCHES

Mr L Odie and Mr J Nicholson are to collect the benches from around Yell for cleaning and storage over the winter months.

Provision has been made with the Community Pay Back Team for painting to take place in late April 2022.

#### 5.4 ULSTA POST BOX

A Carmichael, MP has informed the community council that the intent is to move the post box to the Ulsta car park. However it is unclear if the box has been removed from its former site at the now closed Post Office in Ulsta.

#### 5.5 FEEDBACK SCBF

Ms K Hannay, the Yell director on the Shetland Community Benefit Fund, reported to YCC about the recent meeting she attended. At the meeting Ms Hannay conveyed YCC's feelings around Shetland wide applications and the difficulties associated with allocating the funding to them. The SCBF are looking into alternative methods to handle Shetland wide applications for the second round of funding in 2024 and in the meantime are attempting to process applications to weight requests proportionally according to size and direct benefit to Community Council areas. Ms Hannay had also expressed YCC's view that it was difficult to allocate funding with no insight of future applications.

The meeting also contained a briefing on how each Community Council has processed applications and what had been funded.

Members discussed the possibility of advertising the scheme locally.

#### 5.6 ENERGY ISLES WIND FARM- STATKRAFT

The next Community Liaison Group meeting has been delayed and now is expected to be held early in the new year.

Members have requested an update on the current situation and discussions being had by Energy Isles/Statkraft and bodies who have raised issues.

### **12/21/6 NEW BUSINESS**

#### **6.1 2022 MEETING DATES**

The provisional 2022 meeting dates for YCC have been provided to the SIC. YCC will meet on the 3rd Monday of every month except in December where the meeting will be on 12.12.22.

#### **6.2 NATIONAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK**

Members note the information provided.

### **12/21/7 FINANCE/GRANTS**

#### **SCBF AGS APPLICATION**

Burravoe Christmas Tree Committee requested funds for the purchase of an artificial christmas tree and decorations for the annual children's party. Mrs A Jamieson and Mr R Jamieson approved supporting the applications for the £500 requested.

### **THE MEETING ENDED AT 20:25 HRS**

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

**Monday 17th January 2022, 7:30pm via Zoom Online Conferencing.**

### **ACTION TRACKER**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Item Number</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Completed</b>
<b>L Odie</b>	<b>12/21/5 .3</b>	<b>Action the collection and storage of benches</b>	
	<b>12/21/5.4</b>	<b>Check on status of the post box and report to A Charmichael, MP</b>	
<b>J Nicholson</b>	<b>12/21/5 .3</b>	<b>Action the collection and storage of benches</b>	
<b>Clerk</b>	<b>12/21/5.6</b>	<b>Contact Energy Isles</b>	