NORTHMAVEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minute of Ordinary Meeting of Northmaven Community Council on Monday 7th March 2022 held at Ollaberry Hall and remotely, using Teams

This minute is UNAPPROVED until adopted at the next meeting

Present:			
	CCIIr D Brown		
	CCIIr R Doull		
	CCIIr K Williamson		
	CCIIr E Robertson		
	CCIIr B Wilcock		
	CCIIr D Robertson		

1. Apologies Submitted:	
CCIIr K Scollay	
Cllr E MacDonald	
M Duncan - SIC	

In attendance:	
Mr I Davidson – Clerk	
Mr J. Parry – SCBF Director	
Mr D Irvine – SIC/ORION Project	
A Grochowski – ORION Project	
J Mullins – SVT/ORION Project	
A Arnett - SIC	

Ex Officio Present: Cllr A Cooper

The meeting started at: 19:30, CCIIr D Brown in the Chair.

Agenda Item	Narrative
2. Declarations of Interest	None
3. Approval of Previous Minute	Minute of Meeting held 10/01/2022: Approved – CCIIr D Robertson; Seconded – CCIIr. K Williamson
4. Police Report	No report this month (reports now produced bi-monthly)

5. ORION Project Presentation

Chair brought forward this item to allow the guests making the presentation to leave afterwards

Douglas Irvine, Andrea Grochowski and Janet Mullins briefly introduced themselves before DI shared a Powerpoint Presentation with the meeting to give an overview of the ORION Project to date. He explained that they began by researching other, similar projects before preparing a plan to bring it to the current level which he described as a Strategic Framework. The ideas will need tested with small pilot projects in the early stages while aiming to make Shetland a world-leading Clean Energy Island. The main objective is for Shetland to achieve net-zero carbon status with which there are 3 primary targets: Produce Clean Energy; Create Green Jobs; Deliver Green Economic Growth.

DI informed the meeting that the main source of communication with the public on the project was through the website: www.orioncleanenergy.com

To get things moving, funding was a major step and this was where potential private companies and universities needed to be involved.

DI highlighted the rich assets Shetland had for clean energy projects, including plentiful wind and wave resources as well as an existing oil and gas infrastructure which could be utilised. In addition, there were possibilities for energy-sharing networks with Norway. The ambition for the future was said to be to Create – Transform – Enable. DI also highlighted the need to protect existing and create new jobs for the Shetland population with the retraining of workforces a priority further on in the project.

It was also noted that Hydrogen was not only a fuel in itself but also enabled other green fuels.

The plan for production of Hydrogen in Shetland is to phase it in with small pilot projects beginning within the next couple of years to large-scale, exportable volumes by the 2030s. DI went on to speak of the potential of hubs at SVT and Scatsta with the possibility of an Energy Hub being developed at the former. At present, Shetland is highly dependent on fossil fuels. The development of LOHC (Liquid Organic Hydrogen Carrier) will be highly significant for large-scale production in, and potential exportation, from Shetland.

There are several studies being carried out at present and all due to be completed by the end of 2022 which will form the technical and business foundation necessary to move the ORION project forward.

Members of the public interested in learning more about the ORION project should access the website address Asked if there was a timescale for the pilot projects to begin, DI responded that it was hoped that some would start later this year but that this would be up to potential developers, not the SIC. JM added that Enquest, as operators of SVT were working with partners and ORION to facilitate some projects. They are looking at 3 main streams, i.e. Electricity, Hydrogen and Carbon capture. Members noted the past significance of SVT as a source of employment to the populace of Northmavine and were therefore keen to see its continuation.

The Chair thanked DI and other guests for their attendance before they left the meeting

6. Matters Arising

Broadband

Nothing further

Eshaness Development

Nothing further

Swarthoull

Nothing Further

NCDC

Clerk reported that NCDC would be holding this year's AGM on Monday, 14th March and integrating the outstanding AGMs previously postponed due to COVID restrictions

Haggrister, Sullom

Nothing further

Update on Virtual Meetings

Chair and Clerk will continue to monitor regulations but it is hoped that 'live' or 'hybrid' meetings will now be the norm

Dog Waste Bins

A response was received from SIC regarding the litter bin adjacent to the old Hillswick Kirk and they have agreed to inspect it and repair/replace if necessary. A member reminded the meeting that there was still uncertainty over land ownership where the bin is sited so members agreed to check this with the SIC

Action: Clerk to email SIC

Future Energy Team – Orion Project

See separate item and remove this MI from next minute

Action: Remove from next minute

Hillswick drains

It was reported that the drain seemed clear but there was still an excess of water running down the road past the shop during spells of heavy rain which was a danger to the public, particularly if freezing conditions followed

Action: Clerk to email SIC

Meal Brig (Buraland)

Chair reported that he had made a presentation to the NCDC Board and they had agreed to look into this, potentially in partnership with another community group

Action: Remove from next minute

Grit Piles

Nothing further

Action: Remove from next minute

Blind Corner at Sandvoe

Members agreed that appropriate action by SIC weas in place

Action: Remove form next minute

Barrier above Hillend

Work has been completed

Remove from next minute

Consideration of Local Grant Applications

It was reported that all grants had been paid to the recipients. There was an issue with one being paid into a dormant account, in error, but this was being resolved

Consideration of SCBF-AGS Application

Feedback form was completed and returned to ACBF admin

Action: Remove from next minute

Election Timetable 2022

Members hope to have more detail following this month's ASCC meeting

Funding Info

Scottish Whisky Fund – for initiatives to tackle alcohol-related harms.

Posted to Facebook page

Action: Remove from next minute

Corra Foundation – to support disadvantaged children and

families and those with mental health issues

Posted to Facebook page

Action: Remove from next minute

Pedal for Scotland – to fund community cycling events

Posted to Facebook page

Action: Remove from next minute

Year of Stories – to support groups and organisations to take

part in Scotland's Year of Stories.

Posted to Facebook page

Action: Remove from next minute

Shetland Youth Local Action Group

Nothing further

Action: Remove from next minute

Consultation – Local Development Plan

Letter from NCDC Development Officer responding to the consultation was read to members and it was agreed that the content should be endorsed by the Northmaven Community Council

Action: Clerk to liaise with NCDC DO to follow up her letter with an email to SIC to endorse its content

ASCC March Meeting Agenda

Chair to attend

DNPF4 - CC Events

Nothing further

Marine Planning Consultation Request

No comments were submitted

Action: Remove from next minute

Announcement

Nothing further

Action: Remove from next minute

Standing water

Response received from NH stating that a team had cut offlets between Isbister and old shop, on 9th February, which had

reduced the standing water

Action: Remove from next minute

Advocacy Shetland

Email from above requesting discussion on where to hold events and for help to raise awareness. Will forward to members ahead of meeting

Action: Clerk to respond and share to Facebook page

Census 2022

Information and 'toolkit' received to aid promotion and help with census

Action: Remove from next minute

Funding Info. - Resilient Communities Fund

To enhance facilities, services and comms in emergency response to extended power loss and/or to protect welfare of vulnerable community members during same.

Action: Post to Facebook page

- Chance to Flourish

To ensure all Scottish children are given chance to grow and develop to their full potential.

Action: Post to Facebook page

SPPC Newsletter

Forwarded to members

Action: Remove from next minute

Invitation to Shetland Community Conversations

Link to Zoom meeting for community workshop on Climate Change, 16th March

Action: Remove from next minute

7. A.O.C.B.

Cllr. A Manson passed a message through a member that she would be available to attend meetings again from April A member reported that they had been approached by constituent(s) regarding parking of Scottish Water vehicles around their base near Eela Water. Passing places were being utilised as well as careless parking at the roadside. Members

	agreed that SW should be contacted and requested to put a stop to this. Action: Clerk to contact Scottish Water
8. Date of Next Meeting	4 th April 2022

The meeting ended at: 21:02