

Minutes of Meeting of Yell Community Council

Monday 15th August 2022 via Zoom Online Conferencing

Present: Mr L Odie (Chair), Mrs A Jamieson, Ms J Lyth, Mr R Jamieson, Cllr Ryan Thomson (Elected Representative),

Apologies: Ms K Hannay, Mr J Saunders, Mr J Nicholson, Mr S Henderson, Cllr D Anderson (Elected Representative), Cllr Robert Thomson (Elected Representative), Mr M Duncan (Community Council Liaison Officer, SIC),

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

L Odie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

8/22/1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Ryan Thomson declared an interest in the AGS grant application as a member of Shetland Golf Club.

8/22/2 MINUTES

18th July 2022- The minutes for the July meeting were approved by Mr R Jamieson and Ms J Lyth

8/22/3 POLICE REPORT

Members note the Police Report received on 13th August.

8/22/4 COMMUNITY WORK

F Browne informed members that as part of the Scottish Government commitment to provide free period products in Scotland a variety of products have been delivered to Cullivoe, Mid Yell and Burravoe Halls. Advertising posters will follow shortly.

F Browne also provided an update on the Carbon Neutral Islands Project (CNIP). Yell has been selected as one of six Scottish islands to trial the initiative with the North Yell Development Council selected as the anchor organisation. A Scottish government representative along with representatives from SIC and Community Energy Scotland will visit Yell on 23rd and 24th August to meet with groups to discuss the project which will employ a project worker locally who will complete a variety of tasks relating to the Carbon Neutral agenda including completing an energy audit. Members are keen that as many people as possible attend the public meetings and that they are well advertised in the local media.

A steering group has been suggested. L Odie will join the group as a representative for Yell Community Council.

8/22/5 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

5.1 TRANSPORT- FERRIES

Feedback from meeting with Ferry Services 25th July- Yell Community Council members met with ferry services representatives to discuss many of the important issues and challenges facing the ferry service. Yell Community Council are keen to see the implementation of an

emergency timetable that can be used in the case of a ferry service disruption. Members would like such a timetable to begin at 6.15am, allow for bookings, meet public transport links whenever possible, load promptly and leave on time and for there to be frequent text updates to the service status during these periods.

Bluemull Sound Emergency timetable- Members were updated about the efforts to establish an emergency timetable on the Bluemull Sound. Some members feel that an emergency timetable should be completed for the Yell Sound first so as they can interconnect during periods when both services are disrupted.

Ticketing- Members encourage the public to always ask for or take their ticket when travelling on the ferries to ensure correct charging.

Parliamentary Committee Inquiry into Ferry Provision- L Odie was disappointed with the lack of member input into the inquiry questionnaire but proposed submitting A Jamieson's comments as being representative of the views of YCC with member's approval.

Tunnel Vision Event- Members were reminded of the Tunnel Vision event on 17th August at 18:15 and asked to encourage members of the public to attend.

5.2 COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS LEAFLET

Members were asked for comments on a leaflet produced to encourage the public to consider standing in the community council elections in October. Representatives from YCC will be at the Yell Show to advertise the community council and encourage community involvement in the community council and the upcoming elections.

Members suggested posters to highlight the importance of the community council and their work as well as the leaflet to encourage people to stand for election.

L Odie will review the leaflet and posters and consider possibilities for printing prior to the Yell Show.

5.3 DOG WASTE SIGNAGE AND BINS

Members note that dog waste signage has been painted on the path much further than originally requested which is good. The request bin has not been placed however.

5.4 BOTTLE BANKS

Members note that the bottle banks around Yell have finally been emptied since the last meeting.

5.5 KEEP SCOTLAND BEAUTIFUL BEACH AWARDS

Members are happy with the beach report received regarding Westsandwick beach which highlights two green actions to be undertaken.

- 1) Improvements needed to the road access- the area of the road in need of improvements is the jurisdiction of SIC. YCC will request that improvements be made to the road, and will include the beach report in the correspondence.

- 2) Better disabled access to the beach and viewpoints- The new Community Council may wish to explore the funding options available to them to undertake this project in the new year. A special project grant or a SCBF grant could be utilised for this purpose.

5.6 COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR EXPENSES

Members are reminded that they are entitled to claim expenses at any point and should they wish to then they can contact the clerk before the November meeting of YCC.

8/22/6

NEW

BUSINESS

6.1 PEATLAND WORK CONSULTATION

Members note the consultation documents.

6.2 CONSULTATION ON ENERGY DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLES

Members note the consultation documents.

8/22/7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS/ MARINE PLANNING

2022/216/SCO B9082 Cullivoe Road Improvements request for Scoping Opinion- Members have no comment on the application.

8/22/8 FINANCE/ GRANTS

8.1 AGS REVIEW

Members will hold over discussion on this item until K Hannay is present as the appointed director of the SCBF to discuss the outcome of the review.

8.2 AGS APPLICATION

Shetland Golf Club- L Odie and R Jamieson proposed a grant of £500 towards the construction of a golf training facility for the Shetland Golf Club.

8/22/9

ANY

OTHER

BUSINESS

9.1 TREES AT STONGANESS

Members again raised concerns about the obstruction caused by the trees at the Stonganess corner in Cullivoe.

9.2 LINKSHOUSE PIER

The erosion at the Linkshouse Pier has been reported to Ports and Harbours who will send out an engineer to assess the damage.

9.3 CLERK RESIGNATION

K Lonsdale has tendered her resignation as clerk of Yell Community Council with the provisional end date of 31st September however she has offered to be flexible on the end date should recruitment take longer.

Members approve allocating funds to advertise for a replacement clerk with a closing date for applications being 9th September.

F Browne offered the support of her department and M Duncan once a suitable candidate had been appointed.

9.4 CULLIVOE TO GUTCHER ROAD

Members request an update on the progress of the new road for the next meeting.

9.5 NEW NORTH ISLES COUNCILLOR

Members note the election of Cllr Robert Thomson in the recent North Isles by election

THE MEETING ENDED AT 21.10 HRS

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

Monday 19th September 2022, 7:30pm via Zoom Online Conferencing.