

BURRA AND TRONDRA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

A meeting of the above Community Council was held in the foyer of the Burra Public Hall on Monday 6th March 2023 at 6pm.

Present

Mr. N. O'Rourke
Miss N. Fullerton
Ms M. Garnier
Mrs. C. Smith

Apologies

Mr. R. Black
Mr. B. Adamson
Mr. M. Fullerton

In Attendance

Cllr. I. Scott
Cllr. D. Sandison (via Zoom)
Cllr. C. Hughson (via Zoom)
Mr. A. Hunter, SIC Transport
Ms Polanara & Mr. Witherford, Systra (via Zoom)
Mrs. J. Adamson (Clerk)

Settlement Audits for Active Travel – Hamnavoe

Alistair Hunter (SIC Transport Policy & Projects Assistant) had been in touch regarding the settlement audits for Active Travel and had requested attendance via Zoom at our meeting. In attendance via Zoom with Alistair Hunter were Agnese Polanara and Shaun Witherford from Systra. ZetTrans had appointed Systra to undertake audits of walking, cycling and wheeling in 8 localities across Shetland as part of the Active Travel Strategy delivery programme and Hamnavoe was one of them. They were keen to have a meeting to discuss their findings from the walkover survey in Hamnavoe which was undertaken in October 2022. Ms Polanara and Mr Witherford then went through a power point presentation of their findings through Hamnavoe going as far as the Meal car park. There were various findings eg lack of dropped kerbs, narrow footways, lack of streetlighting, no cycling infrastructure etc. The members were asked for feedback and it was pointed out that we have been more concerned with providing a path on Ludi, which is a busy road, and we had received quotes which were costly and outwith our budget. Alistair Hunter said he was aware of this from our minutes and would look at funding pots to progress this. Also mentioned was the road leading to the Playgroup which is a safety concern but this is now making progress by the SIC. Cllr. Lyall pointed out that this had been to the February SIC meeting and she would circulate the Report to Systra and the members for information. Mr. Hunter advised that the next steps are to identify and prioritise a list of projects, for the short, medium and long term.

Mr. O'Rourke then thanked Mr. Hunter and the Systra representatives for passing on their findings and taking the time to attend our meeting. *(They left the meeting.)*

1. Declaration of Interest -

None.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of 6th February 2023 were approved by Mhairi Garnier and Niall O'Rourke.

3. MATTERS ARISING

(a) Access road to Playgroup

Shona Thompson had advised previously that there had been some progress. The Business Justification Case had been prepared by the Roads Engineer and went through the Asset Investment Group (internal scrutiny group). A covering report was to be prepared by Robert Sinclair, Executive Manager of Assets, Commissioning and Procurement, and that was to be taken to the Policy and Resources Committee for approval. Cllr. Lyall advised that this had been brought to the February meeting and she had a copy of the report and would e-mail it to the members for information.

ACTION: Cllr. Lyall

(b) Speeding at East Voe

Niall had contacted Neil Hutcheson to request that the 'smiley face' sign be put up again nearer the Hogalee junction and this had been put in place for a time and had now been removed. Niall had requested that this be installed on regular basis to help keep traffic speed down and Neil Hutcheson was happy for this area to be added to the rota.

(c) Parking at Minn

Niall had spoken with Mike Bailey to advise that we are still interested in purchasing the area of land he was willing to sell for parking but that this would take some time. Roselyn Fraser is to get in touch to see if she can assist in any way. We may have to set up a Development Group in order to raise funding etc.

(d) Shetland Community Benefit Fund - Director

Robin Black advised some time ago that he is resigning as a director on Shetland Community Benefit Fund (SCBF).

(e) Path on Ludi

Niall had received quotes from Maurice Sutherland which was discussed at the last meeting and had still not heard anything back from Neil Nicolson, WHD Plant. Niall had spoken with Maurice Sutherland again to advise that this will be on hold meantime due to the high cost involved but we will get back to him in due course.

The blind dip on Ludi, near the access road to Hilary Conabeer's, was discussed at the last meeting and the Clerk is contacting SIC Roads to see if they would put in traffic counters at the top of the blind spot to measure traffic and speed.

(f) Burra/Trondra 'Village Gateway' Signs

Neil Hutcheson had contacted Brian Smith at the Shetland Archives to confirm the Old Norse placename for Burra and he had replied with the name '*Borgaroy*, island of the broch' and as this is slightly different from that suggested by Paul Moar, he wanted the members approval before going ahead to order the sign. The members were happy with this name and the Clerk was asked to pass this on.

ACTION: Clerk

(g) Moss on pavements

The Clerk had contacted SIC Roads some time ago to ask if they would clean the pavements around Hamnavoe, and they had passed this on to Michael Godden at Waste Services for his attention but nothing had been heard from him. The Clerk had already sent an e-mail to Mr. Godden to chase this but will contact him again.

ACTION: Clerk

(h) Defibrillator at Bridge End Outdoor Centre

Niall advised that Daniel Clark (one of the Outdoor Centre committee members) has ordered new pads for the defibrillator located outside the Centre.

(i) Signal at Meal Beach

Some time ago when the mast at Meal was erected by Grieg Seafood, we were advised that they could possibly assist in getting mobile signal down at the Meal beach. Unfortunately Grant

Cumming, who was dealing with it at that time, has now moved to Canada but Niall has made some enquiries and if the cost is under £5,000 Scottish Sea Farms will possibly undertake the work but if over £5,000 we will be given the money and will have to get the work done.

(j) ASCC meeting – Tue 14 March 6-8pm

Niall had attended the above meeting.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Grant Applications

The following grant applications had been received from local groups and these were discussed. Five grant applications were awarded funding from the Community Development Fund (CDF) Grant which had been awarded to the Community Council. The following donations were agreed by the members:

Burra Baptist Church – new projector	£310
Burra History Group – insurance for East House.....	£311
Burra Public Hall – bowling mat.....	£311
Hamnavoe Marina – new ropes etc	£311
Langsound Development Group – upgrading toilets.....	£311

(b) Tall Ship Races 2023 – Scalloway participation

An e-mail had been received from Scalloway Community Council who are reaching out to our Community Council and Tingwall, Whiteness and Weisdale CC with regard to the upcoming Tall Ship Races in 2023, and Scalloway's involvement as guest harbour. They were writing to see if any volunteers from our Community Council would be willing to meet to further discuss plans for the Tall Ship Races. They are hoping to hold similar events to those previously held in 2011 when the Tall Ships last came to Shetland.

(c) Household Hardship Fund

An e-mail had been received from Michael Duncan advising of the Household Hardship Fund. This is a fund administered by the Corra Foundation. Grants of between £500 and £5,000 are available for voluntary organisation and applicants can use the funding to pass on in the form of vouchers or cash to help individuals/families meet pressing bills. Funding must be distributed by 30th June 2023. This was discussed by the members who agreed that we should apply for the maximum amount and if successful distribute this in some form to the needy in our community. The Clerk will look online and put in an application. **ACTION: Clerk**

(d) Various correspondence

The following correspondence had been received and circulated to the members prior to the meeting:

- Shetland Policing Report December 2022 / January 2023
- Invite to Resilient Communities Conference 2023 Online Workshops
- Invitation: Opening of newly extended Tree Nursery
- Community Ownership Fund Round 2
- Peat and Highly Protected Marine Areas consultations
- Viking Community Fund Consultation – Reconvened CC Sessions

6. AOCB

Multicourt lighting at Hamnavoe Primary

It was reported that the multicourt lighting is never on at nights when the young folk would be interested in playing football etc. In the past there had been a push button located outside the school to switch on the lights and these were on a timer but this is no longer in use. The Clerk was asked to make enquiries. **ACTION: Clerk**

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting will be held on 3rd April 2023 at 6pm.