

DRAFT Minutes of Meeting of Yell Community Council

Monday 15th May 2023, 7pm, Mid Yell School

Present: Mr L Odie (Chair), Mr R Jamieson, Mrs A Jamieson, Ms H Hart.

Apologies: Ms J Lyth, Mrs S Williamson, Ms F Browne (North Isles Community Involvement and Development Worker), Mr Michael Duncan (Community Councillor Liaison Officer)

In Attendance: Johnina Henderson (Clerk), PC Dana Jamieson (North Isles Police), Mr Robert Thomson (Elected representative)

Mr L Odie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

05/23/1 MINUTES

10th April 2023 – The minutes of the April meeting were approved by Mr R Jamieson and Mr L Odie.

05/23/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were declared.

Mr L Odie & Mr R Thomson and Mr R Jamieson declared an interest in the community ferry hire applications.

Mr L Odie declared an interest in SSEN Transmission Event.

05/23/3 POLICE REPORT

PC Dana Jamieson gave an update on the latest police report for February and March, 6 incidents were recorded in Yell. 'Coffee with the Cop' event will be held in Yell Leisure Centre on Tuesday 23rd May with special mention to Fraud and Scams, session has been booked to run along with the senior citizens club. There had been a recent crime in Yell with someone taking an unlocked car from Ulsta ferry terminal to Lerwick. Sail Yell will be policed with help from additional staff.

7.15pm PC Dana Jamieson left meeting

05/23/4 COMMUNITY WORK

Youth Work

There have been community conversations between Youth Work and the community. Youth Work have been asked to cut their budget. They are considering moving to a hub model, and have had initial conversations. From this, Youth Work will put forward a report for elected members.

It was asked if YCC would consider hosting hybrid Community Council meetings, Frances thinks it will help with officer and possibly elected member attendance. Different options were listed as possibilities.

05/23/5 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

7.1 TRANSPORT- FERRIES

Meeting with Sellaness

Meeting with Sellaness could only take place in week of 29th May which members felt was a long wait, there are still ongoing issues with ferry tickets and the paying system, Tickets limited by route, tickets require to be used by 31st March 2024, tickets would need to have a year's date from purchased on.

Community Hire Ferries

Mrs A Jamieson & Ms H Hart supported a community ferry hire application for Sail Yell and Yelloween. The details of the application will be forwarded to Ferry Services for approval.

Belmont & Gutcher Linkspan Works

Linkspan works to be carried out at Belmont and Gutcher in May/June. The maintenance entails major structural works requiring the linkspans to be taken out of use on the weekends

of 26 to 28 May and 16 to 18 June. During these works there will be an alternative foot passenger only timetable in place.

Information Boards

Information on boards at ferry terminals still not updated with time of next ferry and Gutter information board hasn't been operational for months.

7.2 ROADS

Surface Dressing in Yell

Clerk contacted Roads department and they replied with '*The A968 between the North Ulsta junction and Valleyview was one of the lengths of road we considered for the programme. It has probably deteriorated at a greater rate over the winter than the length between Windhouse and the Mid Yell junction. Therefore, we will swap the North Ulsta length into this year's programme and postpone the Windhouse section until next financial year.*'

The jet-patcher will be in Yell again next month so will revisit the Cullivoe road and undertake any necessary repairs.

New road to Cullivoe

Design work and land acquisition is progressing and planning application is being worked on.

Burravoe Footpath.

Detailed design work is underway and will be completed soon. Once they have designs, they will need to look at the land situation. They are hopeful they can get funds from Transport Scotland to support construction but this is not yet confirmed.

Ditching

Ditching has been carried out on West Sandwick loop road and High Road in Mid Yell.

Gloup & Midbrake Cattle grids and Barrier at Cottages Brig, Cullivoe

Repair work has recently been carried out at the grids and barriers.

7.3 NET ZERO CARBON NEUTRAL ISLAND (YELL) PROJECT

Mrs A Jamieson and Mr L Odie attended a CNI meeting prior to YCC meeting tonight, they now have a Community Climate plan which is going to be published shortly, and are currently looking into Skip hire and Community polytunnels.

7.4 FIXED LINKS - YELL TUNNEL ACTION GROUP

TAG groups have a meeting with SIC on 8th June to discuss the way forward.

7.5 BRECKON BEACH STEPS

Liam Drosso – Outdoor Access Officer is awaiting a response from one of the contractors to submit a plan and get things moving forward.

7.6 COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE & YELL AMBULANCE

Community Health and Social Care have been working to pull together a framework that they can bring back to YCC and other stakeholders in due course. However due to ongoing issues, meeting to be requested regarding ongoing health and social care issues in Yell.

Yell Ambulance has 3 new recruits, 1 trained and 2 looking into training. Clerk to enquire if this is sufficient to provide full cover for the ambulance.

7.8 COMMUNITY COUNCIL TRAINING

Clerk and some members have attended some of the training options.

7.10 SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT PEAT CONSULTATION

The clerk completed the response on behalf of YCC.

7.11 SCOTTISH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE(SCDC) WEBINAR

Individual community councillors to attend if possible.

05/23/6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS/MARINE PLANNING

8.1 DEMOLITION OF LINKSHOUSE

YCC do not need to be consulted on this but comment that although it will be a loss of an historic building it is in a dangerous condition and removal seems the only solution.

05/23/7 FINANCE/ GRANTS

9.1 BALANCE SHEET

Balance of £372.63 carried forward from last year's budget.

9.2 COMMUNITY COUNCIL CORE FUNDING

Clerk completed grant application.

9.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND 23/24

Clerk completed grant application.

9.5 ROAD GRANTS

Millby, Cullivoe ZE2 9DD – Mr L Odie & Mr R Jamieson proposed a grant of £261 towards major resurfacing.

05/23/8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

11.1 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE & EMERGENCY HUBS

NYDC are inviting a representative from YCC to attending an initial meeting to discuss the creation of Community and Household Resilience Plans as well as a network of Emergency Hubs in the Community Halls throughout Yell. Ms H Hart to attend meeting on 29th May.

11.2 VIKING COMMUNITY FUND CONSULATION- INPUT FROM VOLUNTARY & COMMUNITY GROUPS

SCBF is undertaking a consultation on the priorities for use of the funding that will become available when the Viking wind Farm becomes operational. The consultation is now being extended to cover a broader range of residents and stakeholders. The survey will remain open until 31st May.

11.3 COMMUNITY CONSULATION – REIMAGING BURIALS IN SHETLAND

Following a seminar held with elected members the SIC have set out a need to ‘reimagine burials’ in Shetland. This is mainly based on financial considerations. The SIC are now consulting with Community Councils re their views. Currently there are 7 burial grounds in Yell and although there is sufficient capacity for many years, the cost of maintaining a high number of graveyards in a Community Council area i.e. Yell comes at a high cost to the SIC. YCC comments are that graveyards are not solely for burials, they are also used for family and friends visiting graves, historical/genealogical research and several in Yell contain Commonwealth War Graves.

11.4 COMMUNITY COUNCIL REVIEW

Following the ASCC meeting on 14th March, Community Councils were invited to provide feedback on the draft scope and more information will be available at the ASCC meeting on 13th June.

11.7 SSEN TRANSMISSION EVENT IN YELL

A drop-in event is to be held in Burravoe Hall on Wednesday 17th May regarding the South Yell Switching Station.

11.8 GOSSABROUGH BEACH

A letter had been received from the Grazings Clerk for Gossbrough Common grazings and on behalf of some concerned residents in the village regarding a dispute with a new tenant who has recently fenced off the public SIC access road and parking to the Gossabrough beach. YCC agreed to forward on the letter and maps to Neil Hutcheson (Team Leader- Roads Asset and Network) and Liam Drosso (Outdoor Access Officer) to see if they can resolve this issue.

11.9 WHITE WIFE/BOHUS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Shetland Amenity Trust to be contacted regarding repairs to the white wife with the Bohus anniversary next year.

11.10 REPAINTING PICNIC BENCHES

Picnic benches throughout Yell to be repainted, Project Fund to be applied to collect, repair and paint 12 community picnic benches in Yell.

11.11 DOG WASTE BIN IN MID YELL

Waste bin at Mid Yell Pier to be followed up.

11.12 RESIGNATION

The meeting noted with disappointment that Mr A Brockless has resigned as a community councillor member.

THE MEETING ENDED AT 21.30 HRS

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

Monday 19th June 2023 7.00pm. Mid Yell School

	Item Number	Action	Completed
Clerk	7.1	Organise meeting with Sellaness. Community Hire Ferries	
	7.6	Organise CH & SC meeting. Yell Ambulance update	
	8.1	Comment on Linkshouse demolition	
	9.1	Update balance sheet	
	9.2/9.3	Await funding notification	
	9.4	Apply to Project Fund for laptop	
	9.5	Road grant notification	
	11.1	Reply to NYDC email	
	11.3	Feedback to Burials	
	11.8	Forward email to N Hutcheson & L Drosso	
	11.9	Contact Shetland Amenity Trust	
	11.10	Apply for project fund to repaint benches.	
	11.11	Update on bin at Mid Yell Pier	
LO, AJ & RJ	7.1	Attend meeting at Sellaness – 30 May	
LO & AJ	7.6	Attend meeting with CH & SC	
	11.4	Attend ASCC meeting – 13 June	
HH/ JL	11.1	Attend NYDC meeting – 29 May	