

WHALSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes subject to approval at next Community Council meeting

Minute of the Whalsay Community Council (CC) meeting. Held on Monday 29th May at 7.00 pm

PRESENT:	
Cllr Jackie Leslie (JL) – Chair	Cllr Margaret Hughson (MH)
Cllr William Polson (WP) - Vice Chair	
Cllr Gilbert Irvine (Gil)	
APOLOGIES	
Dana Jamieson - Police Scotland	Roselyn Fraser – Community Involvement & Development Officer (RF)
Michael Duncan - Community Council Liaison Officer (MD)	Andrew Inkster - Executive Manager Marine & Air Operations SIC(AI)
Ryan Thomson – North Isles Cllr (RT)	Duncan Anderson - North Isles Cllr (DA)
Robert Thomson – North Isles Cllr (RTH)	

MINUTE TAKER: Gina Irvine – WCC Clerk (GI)

WELCOME:

JL chaired meeting and welcomed all.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies noted

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

None declared

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

JL asked if all were happy with minutes. JL approved, WP seconded.

FINANCE REPORT:

Current accounts was shared with members by clerk. CDF Funding submitted

ACTION: None

FUNDING

MH suggested using some funds towards getting a new map done for Whalsay to highlight walks and places of interests. Discussion around changing the allocation of funds from CDF to encourage more interests from local groups previously there were 6 lots of grants available to be changed to 3 lots of grants. All were in favour to move forward.

ACTION: Clerk to follow up with Rhea once funds has been received.

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POLICE MATTERS

Clerk confirmed Police presence during Whalsay Regatta which would be Dana plus one other for overnight shift.

ACTION: None

The Old Dock and Grieves House

Clerk confirmed no update for funding and progress from Hazel Sutherland

ACTION: Clerk to follow up

Whalsay Learning Centre - UHI

JL – asked for update on the recruitment and who was appointed.

ACTIONS: Clerk asked to follow up

ROADS , STREETLIGHTS CYCLE & WALKING PATHS

Cattle Grids – discussion around Tripwell to check

All discussed the proposed resurfacing programme being done on Whalsay this summer. JL asked for timescales.

ACTION: Clerk asked to follow up on timescales

FENCE AT DUMP

Clerk informed all that the Old Clate Road was now being removed from the list of public roads and therefore no works to rectify potholes is being put forward. JL asked for quote

JL – asked for timescales as the weather has improved for the repairs to the fencing as put forward by C. Symons 23.11.2022.

ACTION: Clerk to follow up

FERRIES

JL – put forward using allocation towards the Tall Ship event and all approved.

ACTION: Clerk asked to follow up.

CDF PROJECT WHALSAY SIGN

Clerk informed all that all planning was in place and works could now progress.

JL – discussed collecting sign for installation from Lerwick using Whalsay Haulage

ACTION Clerk to follow up

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WHALSAY TUNNEL ACTION GROUP

There was a discussion for a public meeting to be arranged in the coming months to gauge interest and support for Tunnel Project for Whalsay was put forward.

MH – suggested inviting Tunnel Group representatives from Yell and Unst to chair a public meeting.

JL – proposed using information and data to prepare a presentation

Gil – informed all there were a number of interested folk on isle who would support the project

MH – suggested using social media to promote the event as well as posters

JL – asked all the bring ideas for presentation for the next meeting.

ACTION Clerk asked to follow up

NEWSLETTER

Rhea Kay to be tasked. Topics to include Participatory Budget, WCDG, Sign - on hold

JL – suggested including Tunnel Group

ACTION Ongoing

BUS SHELTERS FOR SCHOOL BAIRNS

There was a discussion around the lack of support for the project.

MH – suggested going public on this project however needs to gain consent from families affected.

JL – suggested contacting Holly Budge instead for support.

ACTION Clerk asked to follow up

Dentist

There was a discussion about the lack of continuity of services on the isle and no direct response

ACTIONS: Clerk asked to follow up with Brian Chittick

Bu Water Road

There was a discussion around the entrance again being unsafe due to large amount of loose debris from snow and rain.

JL – asked for works to be redone again

ACTIONS: Clerk to follow up

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Burial Grounds

All discussed the letter from SIC dated 20th April about the management of burial grounds capacity and access roads.

MH + JL asked clerk to see if SIC are looking into crematoriums. Options on expanding existing ground and if surrounding landlords have been approached for this.

ACTIONS: Clerk asked to follow up

Meeting closed at 21.10

Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting scheduled for Monday 26th June 7pm, at Heritage Centre for locals and Teams for others considering joining.