

DRAFT Minutes of Meeting of Yell Community Council

Monday 19th June 2023, 7pm, Mid Yell School

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

Apologies: Ms J Lyth, Mr R Jamieson, Ms F Browne (North Isles Community Involvement and Development Worker), Mr Michael Duncan (Community Councillor Liaison Officer), Cllr Ryan Thomson (Elected representative), Cllr Duncan Anderson (Elected representative).

In Attendance: Johnina Henderson (Clerk), Cllr Robert Thomson (Elected representative). Ms F Stirling (Member of public)

Mr L Odie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

06/23/1 MINUTES

15th May 2023 – H Hart and A Jamieson approved the minutes of the May meeting

06/23/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were declared.

Ms H Hart and Mrs S Williamson declared an interest in the Energy Isles Shetland drop in sessions

Mr L Odie declared an interest in SSEN Transmission, Yell Show AGS application and Yell Show CDF grant.

Cllr Robert Thomson declared an interest in Planning application.

06/23/3 POLICE REPORT

Shetland Policing Report for April/May 2023 had been received, Road and Community Safety, Coffee with a Cop events, summer events were covered. There have been 11 incidents recorded in Yell which can be summarised as follows: Road Safety and Road crimes, Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder, Acquisitive Crime, Protecting Vulnerable People and Firearms Security.

06/23/4 COMMUNITY WORK

France Browne has met with the group that is continuing pop in sessions in North Ness Hall, which are going well.

She participated in the Community resilience meeting hosted by Kate from North Yell Development Company (NYDC), and will support Kate with this if needed. SSEN resilience grant is now open to applicants.

She also attended the event that NYDC held about the possibility of taking on the Cullivoe Shop as a Community Shop and look forward to hearing how they proceed.

She met with the Yell Youth Club in May, and the new committee are working towards next term. Youth Services have been asked to make cuts and have held meetings with communities across Shetland. This included an online meeting with the North Isles.

05/23/5 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

8.1 TRANSPORT- FERRIES

Meeting with Sellaness

L Odie & A Jamieson attended a meeting in Sellaness on 30th May and reported back that the following were discussed: Second vessel put into service on Yell Sound in March, Ferry fares, paying on ferries, discounted tickets and availability, Tickets limited to financial year, departure

boards, ramp replacement, shift system changes proposal, current crewing issues, replacement vessels. Notes will follow from Sellaness.

Community Hire Ferries

Sail Yell community hire ferry is no longer required due to Sail Yell securing funding for the event so have returned community hire run for another event to use.

Tall Ships Late Ferries

Late ferries and transport are advertised on the Tall ships website. Bookings only available with ferries and bus through Yell.

8.2 ROADS

New road to Cullivoe

An Environmental Impact report has recently been undertaken for planning permission, Pressure has been applied and it is hoped that work will begin in spring 2024.

Burravoe Footpath.

An update has been requested but no reply to date.

Ulsta Ferry Terminal Marshall area – 20mph

An email received from Roads on the proposed introduction of 20mph speed limit on the approach to ferry terminal including the marshalling area at Ulsta, after discussion the meeting suggested 20mph from the cattle grid onwards, countdown markers were also suggested..

8.3 NET ZERO CARBON NEUTRAL ISLAND (YELL) PROJECT

CNI project update, the action plan for Yell has been launched and it can be accessed through the Community Energy Scotland webpage.

8.4 FIXED LINKS - YELL TUNNEL ACTION GROUP

Unst and Yell TAG action groups are set to team up to consider fundraising for initial geotechnical investigations, a couple of companies in the North Isles have already pledged towards the project. L Odie has attended a meeting in Unst with Faroese civil engineers Articon and a meeting in Lerwick with SIC, the next Yell TAG meeting will be held on Thursday night(22nd June).

8.5 BRECKON BEACH STEPS

Update from Liam Drosso (Outdoor Access Officer) is that a temporary access solution has been installed which is hoped will do the job until something permanent can be made. It also means that the existing path can be used for access.

8.6 COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE & YELL AMBULANCE

CHSC - No update has been received regarding a meeting with Brian Chittick, A Jamieson to follow up on this matter.

Yell Ambulance - Update from Drew Mayhew from Scottish Ambulance service was that he will update us when the training is completed if it is sufficient to fully crew the ambulance.

8.7 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE & EMERGENCY HUBS

H Hart attended the NYDC 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 and feedback to the YCC meeting.

8.8 COMMUNITY CONSULATION – REIMAGING BURIALS IN SHETLAND

Further discussion and anyone with any concerns to contact the community council. Members to seek the views of islanders possibly by attending senior club in leisure centre and community lunches.

8.9 SSEN TRANSMISSION EVENT IN YELL

A drop-in event was held in the Burravoe Hall on Wednesday 17th May regarding the South Yell Switching Station. Booklet of slides was on display. An email has been sent regarding concerns about the gas used in the station and is awaiting feedback.

8.10 GOSSABROUGH BEACH

R Jamieson attended a site meeting with Liam Drosso(outdoor Access officer) on 19th May. Liam Drosso has been in touch with the roads team and they are dealing with issues that fall under their remit. He has also been in touch with the landowner and her agent. Alternative parking arrangements for accessing the beach were discussed. The landowners agent has also been in touch with L Odie and has organised a site visit when next in Yell.

8.11 WHITE WIFE/BOHUS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Shetland Amenity Trust has been contacted regarding repairs to the white wife with the Bohus anniversary next year. They are looking to contract an ex-employee to undertake the work and the work is still on the to do list and an update should be available in 2 weeks.

8.12 REPAINTING PICNIC BENCHES

Clerk to apply to Project Fund to be applied to collect, repair and paint 12 community picnic benches in Yell before deadline.

8.13 DOG WASTE BIN IN MID YELL

A new waste bin will be installed when the team are on the island on Thursday. Dog waste signs to be requested as well.

06/23/6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS/MARINE PLANNING

9.1 TELEPHONE EXCHANGE ADJACENT TO LADYBANK, WEST SANDWICK

Cllr Robert Thomson left room for the discussion; The meeting supported the application.

06/23/7 FINANCE/ GRANTS

10.1 BALANCE SHEET

Clerk to update balance sheet.

10.2 COMMUNITY COUNCIL CORE FUNDING

Funding has been received and allocated.

10.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND 23/24

Funding has been received and is available for applications.

L Odie declared an interest and left the meeting for items 10.4 & 10.5 to be discussed.

A Jamieson took the chair.

10.4 AGS APPLICATION – YELL SHOW.

£2,500 was awarded to the project approved by H Hart and S Williamson

10.5 EXTENSION TO YELL SHOW CDF GRANT

Due to having to change contractors, Yell Show Committee request an extension.

An extension for two months until 31st August was granted by H Hart & S Williamson

10.6 ROAD GRANT

An enquiry had been received for a road grant but it's too near the public road to qualify.

06/23/8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

11.1 CROSS PARTY GROUP POVERTY

Following an email forwarded from Beatrice Wishart, it was enquired if a survey or questionnaire was available to complete.

11.2 ENERGY ISLES SHETLAND DROP IN SESSIONS

A lengthy discussion was held following the drop in session earlier in the month in Cullivoe & Sellafirth. Concerns were raised regarding SEPA objection being withdrawn and the run-off water affecting Gossa Water. Community Benefit was discussed regarding setting up a local community Liaison Group. Request feedback following the meetings. Various options were discussed moving forward.

11.3 TIDAL TURBINE – CULLIVOE

An enquiry regarding if any community benefit comes out of this. Contact Nova to find out.

11.4 BUS & FERRY TIMETABLES TYING UP TOGETHER

Bus & Ferry tying up with people needing to get a bus up from Lerwick after 5pm an tying in with ferries. Clerk to investigate this matter.

11.5 CATALINA MARKERS

It has been brought to our attention that direction signs are not correctly placed.

11.6 BT FIBRE PIPE WORK THROUGH YELL

A letter has been received from a south Yell resident following recent work carried out by the BT fibre pipe work team and damage done to property. L Odie has visited to access the damage. Clerk to investigate this further with BT Openreach.

11.7 ASCC MEETING FEED BACK

L Odie & A Jamieson attended to ASCC meeting virtually on 13th June and give feedback. Topics discussed where BT – analogue to digital changeover, Shetland Way Hiking path, Community Council review.

11.8 MID YELL KIRK

Work is being carried out on Mid Yell Kirk which is a listed building, Doors have been removed and the dyke has been knocked down for allow access. A Jamieson has written to the planning department for clarification.

THE MEETING ENDED AT 22.00 HRS

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

Monday 17th July 2023 7.00pm. Mid Yell School

	Item Number	Action	Completed
Clerk	8.2	Email 20mph comments to Roads	
	8.8	collate comments	
	8.11	Interpretive boards	
	8.12	Apply funding – project fund	Yes
	8.13	Ask for dog waste signs to accompany bin	Yes
	9.1	Comment on planning application	
	10.1	Update balance sheet	Yes
	10.4	Reply to SCBF	Yes
	10.5	Reply to Yell Show committee	Yes
	11.3	Email Nova	
	11.4	Contact M Craigie re bus/ferry	
	11.5	Catalina way markers	
	11.6	Contact BT fibre pipe work	
AJ	8.6	Organise meeting with Jo Robinson	
LO	8.10	Site meeting at Gossabrough	