

Sandwick Community Council

Minute of Meeting held at 7:30pm on Monday 22nd January 2024.
Meeting held at Hoswick Visitor Centre

Members Present	Bryan Peterson (Chair), Kevin Sandison (Vice-chair), Andrew Stout, Yvonne Malcolmson
Clerk	Heather Grieve
Apologies	Michael Duncan (SIC), Ana Arnett (SIC) Graeme Garrick, Janet Dunnet, Michael Jamieson, Jimmy Smith
Invited	Cllr Allison Duncan, Cllr Alex Armitage, Cllr Robbie McGregor
<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Narrative</u>
Declaration of Interest	No Declarations of Interest.
Police Report	No new Police Report.
Approval of Previous Minutes	The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on Tuesday 28 th November 2023, were approved. Proposed by Yvonne Malcolmson and seconded by Bryan Peterson.
Planning	No Planning Requests.
Finance Report	The Financial Report dated 14 th January 2023 was distributed to members. Accounts showed income and expenditure.
Any other Business	<p>a) Members discussed the Lerwick to Sumburgh Bus Route, some members had been made aware that there are pressures on this route during the summer months, when cruise ships are visiting Shetland. Although members understand that this can be difficult and frustrating for those whom rely on the buses, they also felt that it would be difficult for the bus companies to find away around this.</p> <p>b) Members discussed possible sites for benches which are being donated to community councils by SSE. Members decided that possible locations would include Sanick Beach car park, Hoswick Beach and Leebitten. Clerk will email with locations.</p> <p>c) Chair discussed the Community council Areas consultation which has now closed, chair informed members that a response was submitted on behalf of them as previously discussed. Members will now have to wait for the next phase of the consultation.</p> <p>Shetland Islands Council is currently reviewing its Community Council Scheme of Establishment. Phase one of the process involves public consultation on the plan of areas and composition. A plan of the areas and</p>

a summary of the current composition can be viewed on the council's website at www.shetland.gov.uk/ccshcemereview

- d) Members discussed the issues around staffing in all sectors in Shetland, members felt that with an aging workforce and a lack of young workforce coming in then it is becoming harder to put people into all roles. With continual budget cuts members felt that all sectors were starting to feel the pinch.
- e) Chair explained to members that they had received a query regarding what the criteria is for **roads** to become adopted, clerk will contact roads to clarify.
- f) Members were happy to see that warm welcomes had returned to the Carnegie Hall and that so far, many people had been attending. Anyone is welcome to attend **Warm Welcome at the Carnegie Hall** on Friday's from 11am-4pm all is free and there is a selection of food and drinks as well as books and children's games.

Carried forward

- i. **Senior Pupil council invitation.** – Chair is in contact with Modern Studies teacher in order to organise a visit.
- ii. **Broonies Taing Pier** is an ongoing concern for the community, due to safety concerns the members of the community council are keen to see a resolution and will continue to support were appropriate. Clerk has been in contact with building standards.

Meeting closed at 8:15pm

The next meeting is set for 7:30pm on Tuesday 27th February 2024 at Hoswick visitor centre.