

to be approved by SCC Members at the next SCC meeting on 18/11/24

SCALLOWAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Scalloway Community Council Meeting held on Monday 28th October 2024 at 7pm at the Scalloway Public Hall.

NOTE: due to not enough members of committee for quorum on Monday 21st October 2024, the meeting was rescheduled for 28th October 2024.

1. PRESENT:

Andrew Blackadder
Mark Burgess
Barbara Anderson
Lawson Bisset
Kenny Pottinger
Marie Williamson

In attendance:

Joy Ramsay – Clerk
Cllr Davie Sandison
Cllr Ian Scott
Cllr Moraig Lyall
Cllr Catherine Hughson

2. APOLOGIES:

Lindsay Laurenson
Roselyn Fraser
Michael Duncan

3. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Andrew was proposed at the chair for this meeting by Kenny, and seconded by Marie.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd September 2024 approved by Lawson and seconded by Barbara, with the following amendments:

- Section 5: the works are being carried out on the castle, not the museum
- Section 10: in the section marked 'special projects grant', it should read 'excess', not 'excessive'

Minutes of the meeting held on 27th May 2024 were unable to be approved.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING NOT ON THE AGENDA

Lighting Issues: Roads had responded to the Clerk, assuring the SCC that the lighting issues would be addressed. Ian has been around Scalloway, and noted that the majority of the lights have been repaired. Ladysmith Road is currently the

exception, though Roads are currently looking into this. It was noted that the lights at Addie's building steps have been removed from the harling, which was conducted by Shetland Construction.

Malakoff: a response from Neil Hutcheson has not yet been received. A net has been placed over the roof of the Malakoff building, preventing further slates from falling onto the ground below.

6. RECREATE SCALLOWAY/ SCALLOWAY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

Transport Strategy: A transport strategy project is to be developed to find out the demand for community transport, what options are available, and where improvement is needed. It was noted that that a large percentage of those living in Scalloway use the local surgery and health centre, but that there is a lack of suitable public transport or parking around these areas. The study is to be run until October 2025, with an online survey being circulated.

Water Front: A screening report for an Environmental Impact Assessment is being developed, to find out if the EIA is required for the project to be carried out. SCDC will be applying for funding for this shortly. The plan is to have the consultation and funding in place by January 2025.

Heritage Project: Lawson has been selected as the representative of the SCC to attend meetings discussing the development and installation of more interpretive boards as part of the Heritage Project that is being managed between SCDC and Scalloway Museum.

Statkraft: SCDC have met with Local Energy Scotland, and had a successful first meeting. The advice to this point is that legal support should be sought to ensure that a community group is able to seek partial ownership of the turbines being erected.

District Heating: a draft feasibility study is currently in development.

7. ASSOCIATION OF SHETLAND COMMUNITY COUNCILS UPDATE

The next meeting of the ASCC will be held on 6th November 2024, with Lawson and Mark having been nominated to attend the meeting. Mark will be discussing an agenda item, which concerns the Community Benefit Fund.

8. ROADS

Disabled Parking: the finalised order for the creation of a disabled parking space at Blydoit, East Voe has been received and distributed to the members.

20 MPH Speed Limit: An email was received from a constituent, concerning the 20MPH speed limit that may be implemented in Scalloway, and further traffic management measures, namely the implementation of a one way system along New Street and Main Street up to the Checkout. The benefits and limitations of this proposal were discussed, with some of the concerns being that speeding may

increase if there were potentially no concerns for oncoming traffic, and that larger vehicles may struggle to navigate moving through some of the areas without the ability to double back. It was decided that the SCC's stance on a one way system would only be considered after the 20 MPH limit was implemented, to assess whether further measures were required. The constituent is to be contacted to pass this on.

Action: Clerk

9. POLICE REPORT

The Police Briefing papers were shared with the members, with the Scalloway section reading as follows:

'There have been 8 incidents recorded which can be summarised as follows: Driving whilst Over the Prescribed Limit (2); Driving with No MOT; Fail To Stop and Report Collision; Road Traffic Collision with Minor or No Injury (2); Fraud; Concern for Person'

It was noted that there had been a lack of representation of police at the SCC meetings; Catherine agreed to raise this matter at the Community Safety and Resilience Board.

Action: Catherine

10. FINANCE

Community Development Fund: the SYCC applied for £700 to pay for the refurbishment of their current snooker table. Mark declared an interest. It was agreed that the application would be approved and paid in full, proposed by Andrew and seconded by Marie.

The Scalloway Primary Parent Council applied for £260 for the purchase of equipment for the netball team. Kenny declared an interest. It was agreed that the application would be approved and paid in full, proposed by Mark and seconded by Lawson.

The payment of these applications will be made at the earliest convenience.

Action: Clerk

Community Benefit Fund: no further applications.

Special Projects Grant: the bench has arrived, but still need a plinth to be erected at Port Arthur. The community group has yet to seek funding, sponsorship or a dedication for the bench.

Concerning the Fishermen's Garden project, it is to be confirmed whether the funding has been secured.

Action: Clerk

Jamieson Trust: No further updates.

Annual Accounts: a meeting has been arranged with Roselyn and Michael to discuss the annual accounts before they are passed onto the members.

Action: Clerk

11. CORRESPONDENCE

All relevant email correspondence circulated to all members.

Arch Henderson: a representative of Arch Henderson wrote to the SCC to advise that the SIC is carrying out a consultation concerning the Scalloway Harbour Development. A public meeting is to be held on 30th October, but Arch Henderson have advised that they would be happy to meet with SIC to discuss the proposals. It was agreed that they should be invited to the next meeting.

Action: Clerk

12. PLANNING

Planning had responded to SCC's letter concerning the proposed change of use of the first floor of Port Arthur House from student accommodation into offices. In their response, they acknowledged the SCC's concerns, and further addressed the major issues, which were parking and the reduction in student accommodation. After declaring an interest, Davie went onto explain that the first floor of Port Arthur House has not been used as student accommodation since 2017, and whilst the first floor would be converted into offices, the student accommodation on the ground floor would not be effected. It was also acknowledged that a majority of students would likely be able to reside in Lerwick and commute to Scalloway, a trend that can be seen currently. With regard to parking, a survey had been carried out, and it was found that there is enough spaces for the proposed offices. It was agreed to contact Planning, thanking them for the clarification and agreeing that the SCC will withdraw any objections.

Action: Clerk

13. COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN

Roselyn has provided the Clerk with a copy of Sandness and Walls' Community Resilience Plan, which will be a guide for Scalloway's one in the future. This is to be shared with the other members.

Action: Clerk

14. STORAGE BOXES

The archiving guidelines and relevant paperwork have been provided to the Clerk. No further action has been taken.

15.AOCB

Armistice Day: Barbara is to attend the Tingwall and Scalloway on behalf of the SCC, and to lay down a wreath.

Action: Barbara

Bus Shelter: it was suggested that a bus shelter should be erected at the layby at the back of the Scalloway School. It was agreed that Neil Hutchison to discuss whether this would be possible.

Action: Clerk

Over 80s Voucher Scheme: a list of names has been circulated and amended by the members. Mark has ordered cards from the school, and the letter to be circulated around the businesses in Scalloway is to be drafted.

Action: Clerk

Signatories: it was agreed that Barbara and Marie will become signatories for the bank account, to ensure that there are enough current members on the account.

Action: Mark, Barbara, Marie, Clerk

16. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next full meeting of the Scalloway Community Council will be held on Monday 18th November 2024 at the Scalloway Public Hall.

Meeting ended at 21:10.