

MONDAY 4 JUNE 2018

At a meeting of LERWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL held in the Town Hall, Lerwick, at 7.00pm

Members

Mrs A Simpson	Mr P Coleman
Mr A Johnston	Mr E Knight
Mr A Wenger	Mr S Hay
Mrs M Hall	Ms F Fraser
Mr W Spence	Cllr J Fraser

Ex-Officio Councillors

Cllr P Campbell
Cllr A Westlake

Additional Co-opted Members

Miss L Cluness
Mr P Jones

In Attendance

Ms F Valente, Clerk
PC Lauren Murphy, Police Scotland
Liz Musser, Shetland Video (left at 7.20)

Chairman

Mr J Anderson, Chairman, presided.

06/18/01

Circular

Mr Anderson welcomed everyone to the meeting. He asked whether anyone would object to the presence of a videographer at the meeting and explained that Liz Musser would be taking a few minutes of footage of the meeting as part of a video that ASCC had commissioned to raise awareness of the work of the Community Councils which would be used to encourage more people to stand for elections later this year. Liz said she would not film anyone who did not want to appear on the film.

06/18/02

Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr C Smith, Cllr B Wishart, Cllr M Bell, Cllr S Leask, Mr D Ristori, Mr M Peterson, Mr G Robinson and Mrs P Christie.

06/18/03

Minutes of the last meeting

The minute of the meeting on 7th May 2018 was approved by Mr Carter and seconded by Ms Fraser.

06/18/04

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was a discussion about the disappointing response from HIAL regarding parking charges at the airport. Mr Carter said that it was time for a review of the bus timetable

so that the bus can meet the flights. At the moment it is not an “airport” bus and therefore it runs strictly to a timetable regardless of whether a flight is delayed, which, as Ms Fraser pointed out, is not helpful to anyone wanting to avoid using a car to get to and from the airport. Mr Hay reported on the integrated transport network that serves Gottland, connecting up residents in remote islands to buses and ferries etc. He said this would be a useful facility for Shetland. The Clerk was asked to write to SIC to ask about a review of the bus service.

06/18/05 **Police Scotland Monthly Report**

PC Lauren Murphy attended and gave a report on behalf of Police Scotland. She announced that in line with national policy, Taser training is being rolled out to officers in Shetland, as an additional resource for the de-escalation of violence. The Community Contact van will be visiting different neighbourhoods to advise on cybercrime, trading standards crimes and ways of avoiding falling victim to a crime.

Overall the crime rate between April – June this year was down on last year and there is currently a 73% detection rate.

06/18/06 **Correspondence**

The response from SIC regarding cycle lanes was discussed. Ms Fraser said she was disappointed that there was no provision for cycle safety in Lerwick. She suggested that SIC should consider this issue every time a road is about to be re-done. There was a discussion about the path around Clickimin Loch and Cllr Fraser said that he had heard that SIC were considering extending the path around the Clickimin Loch. The clerk was asked to confirm whether this is the case.

It was suggested that the issue of cycle paths should be taken to the ASCC for a Shetland-wide input. The clerk was asked to forward the correspondence to ASCC.

06/18/07 **Finance – Core Funding Report as at 28 March 2018**

No comments.

06/18/08 **Living Lerwick Grant Application**

Living Lerwick had applied for a grant of £1000 for the purchase of flowers and bunting to decorate the Street during the summer. Ms Fraser moved to award the grant and Mr Knight seconded it.

06/18/09 **PB Event**

There was a discussion about this year’s Loot for Lerwick event. Ideas on theme, dates and format were required. Cllr Fraser suggested something along the lines of social inclusion. It was suggested that a sub-group is formed to organise the event. The clerk was asked to invite members to volunteer and to organise a meeting in the next few weeks.

06/18/10 **Orca Project**

A letter had been received from Paul Moar with a request for support for an idea he had to site an almost life-sized Orca model on the pier as a point of interest for tourists and local people. He said that the project would cost around £8000 and that he had yet to approach the landowner, Lerwick Port Authority about the project. Members had mixed feelings about the project but on balance considered that this was too expensive a project to support. The clerk was asked to reply to Mr Moar.

06/18/11 **100th Anniversary of the end of World War 1**

A number of events were being planned across the UK to mark the 100th anniversary, some of which involves lighting beacons up and down the country. The community councils had been asked if they were organising anything too. It was thought that there would be local events going on in Lerwick, organised by John Taylor. The clerk was asked to find out information from Hon Colonel Taylor and suggest that it might be good to find out what sites in Shetland were used for the beacons at the end of the war to mark the celebration as it would be good to replicate that.

06/18/12 **Revocation of Disabled Parking Space – Sandveien**

There were no objections to the revocation order.

06/18/13 **Planning Application 2017/383/PPF**

This planning application had been returned for comments following the update of the parking survey by the applicants. However, members were still not satisfied by the data produced, not least because it appeared to differ from information that was provided by SIC roads. It was thought that because this development of new flats was so close to other developments that would be built soon that the number of car parking spaces available was not quite as many as the survey suggested. It was thought that the survey had included cars that were not parked safely or legally. The applicants had plans for a private car park within the scheme which would not be available for the residents.

Cllr Westlake said it was a shame to reject a planning application for much needed accommodation because of a lack of parking, especially when just a few minutes ago there had been a discussion on cycle paths and more environmentally friendly transport. Cllr Fraser countered that all developments simply had to abide by the legislation, and proposed to object to the planning; which was seconded by Mr Coleman. The Chairman agreed that it was a shame to object to the application, and proposed to respond to Planning restating the objections to the lack of parking and to ask for clarification over the various surveys and reports. It was agreed that the clerk would write to Planning and uphold the previous concerns about parking and ask for further clarification and information.

06/18/14 **A.O.B.**

a. The Chairman pointed out that the town bus service is no longer compatible with the new school timetable. A review of the bus service for the town should be undertaken; along with the review of the airport bus service. The clerk was asked to write to ZETRANS to request a review of the bus service.

- b. Mrs Hall pointed out that the cable for the lights on the wall at the back of the health centre needed attention. The clerk was asked to inform the health centre.
- c. Cllr Fraser said that the position of the new school in relation to the loch might mean that some attention to water safety is required, and suggested that lifebuoys or rescue station might be required. The clerk was asked to write to the school and ask if a risk assessment had been carried out.
- d. Cllr Fraser asked if the clerk could ask Radio Shetland to announce the Lerwick Community Council meetings, as it does with other community councils.

There being no further competent business the meeting concluded at 8.20 pm.

Minute ends.

MR J ANDERSON
CHAIRMAN
LERWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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