

MONDAY 18 MARCH 2002

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

Present

Cllr R Anderson	Mr A Johnson
Mr B Manson	Mr G Burgess
Dr J Goddard	Mr P Scarsbrook
Mrs S Newcombe	

Cllr R Black

In Attendance:

Mr H Tait (left 7.30pm)
PS A MacLeod, Northern Constabulary (left 7.35pm)
Mr J Tait, Shetland Times
Mrs M MacLeod, Clerk to the Council

Chairman

Cllr R Anderson, Vice Chairman of the Council presided.

02/03/1

Circular

The Circular calling the meeting was held as read.

02/03/2

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mr T Nicolson, Mr D Sinclair, Mr M Holmes, Cllr W Stove, Cllr L Angus, Mr W Henderson, Cllr P Malcolmson and Cllr A Cluness.

02/03/3

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2002 were approved on the motion of Mr G Burgess, seconded by Dr J Goddard. The official opening of Hayfield Play Park was to take place on 1 June and not 5 June as stated in the minutes.

02/03/4

Business Arising

CCTV

A site visit at the Old North Road was to be arranged with Tait Electronics. The Chairman and Vice Chairman would attend.

Hayfield Play Park

Mrs S Newcombe informed that SIC Planning had not been happy with proposals for a fence. Cllr R Anderson agreed to follow this up.

Town Hall Windows

Mr H Tait gave a presentation on his initial plans for the windows, passing around samples of glass, techniques and designs. He proposed two panels with circle centrepieces, one containing the LCC crest and the other the SIC crest. The windows were of a secondary sash arrangement and he felt that it would be possible to replace the inside panel leaving the outside window intact. His rough estimate for two windows was £2,500 to £3,000, with the central emblem being around 80% of the cost. It was suggesting replacing all four front windows with stained glass but it was decided to wait to see if there was any objections to two windows first. It would be possible to fill the other two windows with art glass which could be replaced with stained glass at a later date. It was agreed that Mr Tait should get designs made up to put to the Town Hall Committee.

02/03/5

Northern Constabulary

PS MacLeod presented the figures from 18 February to 18 March 2002 as follows:

Shetland Incidents	475	Lerwick Incidents	319
Alarm activations	42	Alcohol - underage	7
Counterfeit Currency	1	Assault	4
Breach of Peace	25	Death	1
Civic Gov (Scot) Act	10	Young Persons	3
Court Procedures	49	Child Protection	2
Urinator	1	Drink Driving	1
Domestic Incident	6	Suspicious Person	1
Dogs	1	Drunk Person	2
Drugs	10	Firearms Enquiries	7
Fire Calls	9	Fraud/Forgery	3
Immigration	3	Missing Person	2
Medical Services	5	Racist Incident	1
Road Accidents	12	Traffic Matters	12
Telephone Calls	21	Theft	5
Vandalism	6	Vehicle Excise	1
Seatbelts	10	Speeders	9
Vehicle Defects	2		
Arrests	21	Detainees	7

In response to a previous question, PS MacLeod explained that the revenue from speeding fines in Scotland went to the Scottish Court Service. It was only in England that the revenue went to the local authority. Mrs S Newcombe enquired as to where the immigrants had come from. PS MacLeod replied that they were from Eastern Europe and had been in Peterhead as well as other parts of the country. They had come to Shetland on the ferry.

02/03/6

Joint Community Care Plan 2002-2003

It was decided to ask Michelle Miller from SIC Social Services to attend the May meeting to present the plan.

02/03/7

Natural Heritage Futures - Shetland

Members were happy with the document. Mrs S Newcombe commented that she would like to see the Gutters Hut used as a historic museum and received some support for the idea. Mr G Burgess referred to page 9 of the document with regard to access, commenting that he thought stiles were very useful in this respect.

02/03/8

Local Plan Consultation

It was agreed to invite Mr F Murray from SIC to present the item at the next meeting. Cllr R Black informed that there would be a proposal from the Lerwick Town Centre Management Group next week concerning plans for a Waterfront Trust. Dr J Goddard had found no reference in the local plan document to the provision of toilets at Sands of Sound or developing Cunningham Way as a path. Cllr R Anderson agreed to take this up.

02/03/9

Gilbertson Park Gates

No further progress.

02/03/10

Condition of LCC Office

No further progress.

02/03/11

Correspondence

11.1 NHS, Appointments to Local Health Council

There were no nominations.

11.2 Mr W Kay, Skate Park

Members had reservations regarding the proposal after considering Mr Kay's position. It was agreed that a skate park was needed but it was decided to suggest an alternative site at Clickimin or another area instead.

02/03/12

Financial Report

Noted. Funds had been set aside for benches to be supplied by Ron Shepherd.

02/03/13

Financial Assistance

13.1 Shetland Amenity Trust, Da Voar Redd Up

It was agreed to award assistance of £250 on the motion of Cllr R Anderson, seconded by Mr P Scarsbrook.

13.2 Shetland Link Up, Learning Club

It was agreed to award assistance of £1,000 on the motion of Cllr R Anderson, seconded by Mrs S Newcombe.

13.3 Lerwick Marina Users Association

After examining the financial position of the organisation it was decided not to award funds to this project.

02/03/14

Planning Applications

14.1 Repaint Frontage, Oslas Cafe

No objections.

02/03/15

Any Other Business

15.1 Bus Stop, Unicorn View

Mrs S Newcombe felt it would be beneficial to provide an extra bus stop at Unicorn View. Mr I Bruce informed the meeting that there were plans for another stop once a path linking the houses was in place.

15.2 Dangerous Corner, Gulberwick

This was outside the remit of LCC but it was agreed to inform the relevant community council of the danger.

15.3 Library Opening

Members of LCC had been invited to the opening of the new library. Dr J Goddard suggested that LCC make a presentation of a clock to the library. It was agreed to write asking whether this would be desirable.

**T R NICOLSON
CHAIRMAN
LCC**