

**MONDAY 2 JUNE 2014**

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

**Members**

Ms K Fraser	Mr E Knight
Mr D Ristori	Mrs A Simpson
Mr A Johnston	Mr S Hay
Mr M Peterson	Mr A Carter
Mrs E Williamson	Mr J Anderson
Mr A Henry	

**Ex-Officio Councillors**

Cllr A Wishart

**In Attendance**

Mr Chris Walker, External Affairs Manager, Premier Oil  
Mr Bill Brazendale, HSE Manager, Solam Project  
Mrs K Semple, Clerk to the Council

**Chairman**

Mr J Anderson, Chairman to the Council presided.

06/14/01 **Circular**

The circular calling the meeting was held as read.

06/14/02 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Mr A Wenger, Ms A Westlake, Cllr M Bell, Cllr M Stout, Cllr P Campbell and Cllr C Smith

06/14/03 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5 May were approved on the motion of Ms K Fraser and seconded by Mr D Ristori.

06/14/04 **Business Arising from the Minutes**

Mrs A Simpson requested what progress had been made towards using Facebook as a tool to promote Lerwick Community Council.

It was agreed that uploading an abridged version of the LCC minutes and the Agenda onto Facebook would assist in raising the Council's profile.

06/14/05

**Premier Oil Activity – Mr Chris Walker, External Affairs Manager, Premier Oil & Mr Bill Brazendale, HSE Manager, Solam Project**

A short presentation was given to provide an overview concerning a large piece of equipment due to be brought into Lerwick harbour, early July.

The equipment, an empty 64 compartment Subsea Oil Storage Tank (SOST), will be brought into Lerwick harbour on a heavy transport vessel. The Tank, 45 x 45 x 25m, approximately the size of an eight storey building, will dominate the harbor; however the impact will be mostly visual with no effect on the air quality or water quality and sound levels will be in line with normal harbour noise.

For the first five days, the SOST will remain on the vessel; thereafter it will be moved into deeper water and floated off the vessel. Some work, lasting 3-4 days, will take place on the SOST prior to it being towed to site for bedding in.

Police Scotland have been advised of the proposed arrival of the SOST and had expressed no concerns.

Mr A Carter expressed his appreciation to Mr Walker and Mr Bill Brazendale for coming to the meeting to inform members of their proposals.

Mr Brazendale responded that they were pleased to have the opportunity to present and advised that Mr Walker could be contacted at any time, should further information be required.

Ms K Fraser enquired how the size of the SOST would appear compared to the Barge.

Mr Brazendale replied that it was not as long, but was wider and would initially be higher.

Mrs E Williamson noted that school children will likely be fascinated by the scheme and hoped that it would inspire school projects.

Mr D Ristori enquired as to the size of workforce required.

Mr Brazendale replied that it would necessitate the employment of a local service company of 20-25 people.

Cllr A Wishart thanked Mr Brazendale and Mr Walker for attending the meeting and providing their presentation.

The presentation concluded at 7.25pm.

06/14/06

**Draft Road Safety leaflet – Cycling in Shetland**

Ms Fraser stated that it was regretful that a draft of the leaflet was not available in time for the June meeting. However, she hoped that a draft could be circulated by the

middle of the week so that members' comments could be collated and discussed at the forthcoming meeting Road Safety Advisory Committee along with the draft leaflet.  
**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

06/14/07

### **Correspondence**

#### **7.1 2014 117 PPF – Proposed New AHS - Cladding Material Percentages**

The Chairman proposed that provided the used of metal cladding was kept to a minimum, as noted in the letter, no objections should be raised with regard to the application.

Mr A Carter seconded the proposal.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

#### **7.2 Temporary use of AHS Multicourt for Campsite – Ms S Thompson, Executive Manager, Schools**

As Ms Thompson had no difficulty agreeing to LCC's request in principal, Mr Carter suggested that a request could be made to for the use of the multicourt as a temporary campsite for another year.

The Chairman advised that the multicourt was one of the only areas in Shetland suitable for CBT tests or training and suggested that although there were other places, suitable for caravans, the same could not be said for CBT tests or training.

Cllr A Wishart agreed, advising that the Driving Standards Agency had threatened to pull out altogether, the area was the last piece of land suitable for the tests and critical for drivers.

The Chairman suggested that the area of land at the Knab, close to the Skatepark, would be more suitable for caravans and campervans and would not adversely impact on anyone else.

Mr E Knight enquired who owned the empty parks at Clickimin west.

The Chairman replied that the land was privately owned and was protected due to its close proximity, and to protect the vista, to Clickimin Broch.

Mr M Peterson noted that there was a large empty car park, with beautiful views, behind Brevik. He expressed dismay that the Clickimin Campsite had not been made available to campers this summer.

Mrs A Simpson requested that Shetland Health Board be written to and asked if consideration could be given to making the car park available to campers.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

The Chairman suggested that Kenn Allan, SIC should be written to and enquiries made as to what areas could be made available, through the day, for temporary parking of caravan and campervans during the summer. He suggested a list of the possible areas identified by members during the meeting should be.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

**7.3 Use of Undeveloped Land, Longland – Ms L Arcus, Secretary, Sound Community Association**

Noted

**7.4 2013/376/PPF – Planning Application Approved-Bankfield, Lower Sound – Mr J Holden, Team Leader, Development Management**

Noted

**7.5 2014/065/PPF – Planning Application Refused-12 Bank Lane, Extend opening in boundary wall and form vehicle access – Mr J Holden, Team Leader, Development Management**

Members agreed to the Chairman's proposal that Lerwick Community Council should reinforce its support of the application; the current vehicle access was a safety issue and off street parking should be supported.

**(Action Clerk to the Council)**

**7.6 CAB Update - Ms Dorothy Jamieson, Patient Advisor, Citizens Advice Bureau**

Noted

**The following item arrived too late to be included in the agenda but was brought to the meeting for discussion.**

**7.7 Ofgem's Response to the Shetland Intergrated Plan – Delay to Replace Power Station – Mr G Steel, Liaison Manager, SSE**

The Chairman asked the Clerk of the Council to circulate a copy of the letter to all members.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

06/14/08 **To be approved - Unaudited Financial Accounts for Year End 31 March 2014**

Approved on the motion of Mrs A Simpson.

Seconded by Mr A Johnston.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

06/14/09 **Community Development Fund 2014-2015**

**9.1 CDF Project 2014-15 – Notification of Funding Offer**

Noted

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

**9.2 CDF Distribution 2014-15 – Notification of Funding Offer**

Noted

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

06/14/10

**Financial Reports**

**10.1 Core Funding Financial Report as at 27 May 2014**

Noted

**10.2 2013-14 CDF Financial Report as at 27 May 2014**

Noted

**10.3 2014-15 CDF Financial Report as at 27 May 2014**

Noted

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

06/14/11

**Planning Applications for Approval**

**11.1 2014/048/PPF – Re-Consultation-Erect Dwellinghouse, North of Mavine Cottage, Lower Sound – Mr & Mrs S Paul**

Noted

**11.2 Comments from LCC – Planning Application 2014/048/PPF and Public Right of Way**

Noted

**11.3 2014/048/PPF and Public Right of Way - Mr G Burgess, GB Design Services Building Design**

Members approved that, as the Outdoor Access Officer had agreed to a solution to ensure that the development would not affect the right of way, the objection put forward by Lerwick Community Council should be removed.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

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**11.4 2014/156/PPF – Erect two dwellinghouses, 36 Market Street – Mrs Caroline Miller**

Noted

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

06/14/12

**Lerwick Planning Applications – May 2014**

Noted

06/14/13

**Resignation/Recruitment of Clerk**

Members thanked the Clerk for her tenure and wished her well in her new position.

The Chairman informed members that they had received five applications and that he, and the Vice Chairman, proposed to conduct interviews at the weekend.

06/14/14

**Any Other Business**

**Dip in Road at Tesco Roundabout** - Mr D Ristori advised that a crater had formed on the road at the Tesco roundabout, where the road had been patched following work done by Scottish Water to repair a burst pipe.

The Chairman advised that Scottish Water had contacted SIC to carry out final reinstatement to the road and that they were programming in the works to minimise any further disruption to the public.

**Out of Service Traffic Lights** – Mr D Ristori expressed concern with regard to the non functioning traffic lights at Pelican Crossings.

He noted that increasing amounts of drivers were stopping to let people cross the road; the risk being that drivers in the other lane were not stopping, causing danger to the pedestrians.

The Chairman asked the Clerk of the Council to write to Mr D Coupe, Roads, SIC to request an update on whether the lights are to be repaired, replaced or removed.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

Cllr A Wishart advised that, unfortunately, the proposal to replace Pelican Crossings with Zebra Crossings and introduce a 20mph speed, limit on the Esplanade, would not happen quickly due to lack of funding.

Cllr Wishart offered to voice the Councils concerns at the forthcoming meeting of the Environment and Transport Committee.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Wishart and accepted the offer.

**Skatepark** – Mr M Peterson noted his concern that it appeared as though the Skatepark had not been finished off properly, showing huge amounts of bare ground.

The Chairman asked the Clerk of the Council to write to Kaye Williamson, Shetland Skatepark Associatio, to enquire when the ground will be seeded.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

**Portable Public Toilets** – Cllr A Wishart advised that he had been approached by a member of the public with the suggestion that the provision of a portable public toilet at Sands of Sound, during the summer, would be a great benefit to the community.

The Chairman asked the Clerk of the Council to seek a quote for the hiring and cleaning of a portable public toilet.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

**Minority Status** – Mr E Knight enquired if any progress had been made with regard to finding out the requirements to claim minority status.

The Clerk replied that she was still waiting to hear back from the Scottish Government.

Mr Peterson advised that the Clerk should contact the department of the UK Government as noted on the papers her had provided, rather than the Scottish Government.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

**Unsafe Area - Knab Dyke** - Mr Knight advised members that a length of the Knab Dyke, above the torpedo tubes and opposite the north lower corner of the graveyard was in a perilous state; the wall appeared to be dangerously sloping.

The Chairman asked the Clerk of the Council to write to Jonathan Duncan, Coastal Protection Officer, with regard to the concern.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

**Police Visit** – Mr A Carter noted that it had been some considerable time since a representative from the Police force had attended a Lerwick Community Council meeting to give a report.

He suggested that it may be worthwhile to invite an Officer to attend a meeting to discuss the Police’s new operating procedures.

**(Action: Clerk of the Council)**

**Sheep Roaming Free** – Ms K Fraser informed members that escaped sheep on Staney Hill were once again an issue for residents in the area, and an animal welfare and road safety issue.

She added that the cattle grid was so silted up that sheep were able to simply walk across it.

The Chairman asked the Clerk of the Council to write to the landowner and Scottish Water requesting that they arrange for the clearing out of the cattle grid.

There being no further competent business the meeting concluded at 8.40pm.

**Minute ends.**

MR J ANDERSON  
CHAIRMAN  
LERWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Chairman.....**

**Date.....**