

Minute of the Meeting of Orphir Community Council held in the Orphir Community School on Tuesday, 26 June 2018 at 19:30

Present:

Mr M Clouston, Mr A Dixon, Mr A Dundas, Mr D Marwick, Mr N Sclater and Mr K Thomson.

In Attendance:

- Councillor L Manson.
- Councillor S Cowie.
- Councillor B Foulkes.
- Mr I Heggie, Clerk.

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note that apologies had been received from Mr A Marwick and Councillor J Richards.

2. Election of Office Bearers

A. Chairperson

Following a secret ballot, it was:

Resolved that Mr M Clouston be elected as Chairperson for Orphir Community Council.

B. Vice Chairperson

Following a secret ballot, it was:

Resolved that Mr D Marwick be elected as Vice Chairperson for Orphir Community Council.

C. Planning Representative

Following a secret ballot, it was:

Resolved that Mr N Sclater be elected as Planning Representative for Orphir Community Council.

3. Adoption of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2018 were approved, being proposed by Mr K Thomson and seconded by Mr A Dundas.

4. Matters Arising

A. Bus Shelter – Germiston Road

After discussing correspondence from Democratic Services, copies of which had previously been circulated, concerning the removal of the bus shelter, members asked the Clerk to see if the criteria for HITRANS funding could be ascertained, and it was:

Resolved to ask Democratic Services to send the Clerk the criteria for HITRANS funding.

B. Roads Issues – 30mph Zone

Members were informed that there was no further feedback from the Roads Department, and it was resolved:

1. That the Clerk would again ask Democratic Services to contact the relevant department to invite them to the next meeting.

2. That the Clerk would ask Democratic Services to obtain information on data gathered from the signal mats laid on the road.

3. That the Clerk ask Democratic Services to thank the Roads Department for the installation of the safety 'smiley faces' road signs.

C. Clowally Viewpoint

Members heard that the appointed solicitors were in the process of exchanging deeds, and it was:

Resolved that this issue be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

D. Orphir School Football Pitch

Members heard that there was no further costings information available as yet from local contractors, and it was:

Resolved that this issue be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

E. Orkneyinga Saga Centre

1. Redecoration.

Members heard that the redecoration would wait until Highland Park funding was in place, and it was:

Resolved that this issue be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

2. Longship Securing.

After discussing the situation of securing the longship, it was decided that Mr A Dundas would liaise with a local trades person, it was:

Resolved that this issue be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

3. External Repairs.

Members heard that there was no further information available regarding the external repairs, and it was:

Resolved that this issue be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

4. Tap.

Mr A Dundas informed members that the tap had been replaced, and it was:

Resolved to note the information provided.

F. Dog Fouling Gyre Road

Members discussed the situation of dog fouling and indicated that there were appropriate bins in place, and it was:

Resolved to monitor the situation.

5. Correspondence

A. Scottish Transport Awards

Members discussed correspondence received from the Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure, copies of which had previously been circulated, regarding the nomination of the isles airfields for a national award, and it was:

Resolved to note information provided.

B. Community Council Annual Grants

Following consideration of correspondence from Democratic Services, copies of which had previously been circulated, informing that the annual grant awarded to Orphir Community Council for 2018/2019 was £3,592.77, it was:

Resolved to note information provided.

C. Community Conversation Meetings

Members heard that Mr A Dundas had not been able to attend the meetings or the Community Council Conference, but had sent his comments. Councillor L Manson also informed members that the meetings had been a great success, and it was:

Resolved to note information provided.

D. Baird Family Hospital and ANCHOR Centre Project

Following consideration of correspondence from NHS Orkney, copies of which had previously been circulated, members pointed out that the date had now passed, and it was:

Resolved to note information provided.

E. Unsafe Headstones

Following consideration of correspondence from Democratic Services, copies of which had previously been circulated, regarding the inspection of the county's kirkyards, members discussed the proposal for dealing with unsafe headstones, and asked whether it would be possible for Democratic Services to ascertain the information on the headstones which would be affected and send this information to the Clerk, and it was:

Resolved that the Clerk would ask for the assistance of Democratic Services in this issue.

F. Letter of Thanks

After hearing the letter of thanks sent by Ms S Garson on behalf of Orphir Community Association, it was:

Resolved to note the letter of thanks.

6. Consultations

A. Orkney Area Harbour Masterplan

Members discussed the consultation on the Orkney Area Harbour Masterplan, and heard that Mr A Dundas had already sent comments on behalf of Orphir Community Council to Democratic Services, and it was:

Resolved to note the information provided.

B. Orkney Local Biodiversity Action Plan

Members discussed the consultation document, and it was:

Resolved that members could send comments individually by the deadline of 26 July 2018.

7. Financial Statements

A. General Finance

After consideration of the General Finance statement as at 5 June 2018, it was:

Resolved to note the estimated balance was £18,399.09.

B. Community Council Grant Scheme

After consideration of the Community Council Grant Scheme statement as at 5 June 2018, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance remaining for approval was £2,284.01.

C. Community Development Fund

Following consideration of the Community Development Fund statement as at 5 June 2018, it was:

Resolved to note that the sum of £13,755.42 was available for allocation.

D. Seed Corn Fund

Following consideration of the Seed Corn Fund statement as at 12 March 2018, it was:

Resolved to note that the sum of £3,518 was available for allocation.

E. Orkneyinga Saga Centre

Following consideration of the Orkneyinga Saga Centre Fund statement as at 12 March 2018, it was:

Resolved to note that the sum of £483.97 was available for allocation.

8. Financial Requests

A. Bag the Bruck

Following consideration of a Bag the Bruck completion form received from Orphir Community School, it was:

Resolved that the full amount of £300 set aside in CCGS be given to the Orphir Community School for their efforts during the Bag the Bruck event.

B. Orkney Amateur Swimming Club (OASC) – Aberdeen Event

Following consideration of correspondence received from OASC, copies of which had been previously circulated, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of one participant travelling to Aberdeen in May, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £50 be given towards the cost of trip to Aberdeen.

C. Orkney Amateur Swimming Club (OASC) – Pentland Trophy Thurso

Following consideration of correspondence received from OASC, copies of which had been previously circulated, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of two participants travelling to Thurso to compete in the Pentland Trophy in May, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £10 be given to each participant, totalling £20, towards the cost of trip to Thurso.

D. Orkney Amateur Swimming Club (OASC) – Thurso Mini Meet

Following consideration of correspondence received from OASC, copies of which had been previously circulated, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of two participants travelling to Thurso to compete in the Thurso Mini Meet in May, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £25 be given to each of the two participants, totalling £50, towards the cost of trip to Thurso.

E. Orkney Amateur Swimming Club (OASC) – Midsummer Meet - Lerwick

Following consideration of correspondence received from OASC, copies of which had been previously circulated, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of two participants travelling to Lerwick to compete in the Midsummer meet in June, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £50 be given to each of the two participants, totalling £100, towards the cost of the trip to Lerwick.

F. Year of Young People

Following consideration of correspondence from Orkney's Year of Young People Ambassadors, copies of which had been previously circulated, requesting financial assistance towards hosting a youth concert in Orkney in August 2018, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £50 be given.

G. Orphir Community Association – What's On

Following consideration of correspondence from Orphir Community Association, copies of which had been previously circulated, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of producing the 'What's On' publication, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £78 be given.

H. Ms S Lowe - Youth Climbing Competition

Following consideration of correspondence received from Ms S Lowe, copies of which had been previously circulated, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of one participant travelling to Ratho and South of Scotland to compete in climbing competitions in March, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £50 for each trip be given, totalling £100.

I. THAW Orkney

Following consideration of correspondence from THAW Orkney, copies of which had been previously circulated, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of continuing their projects into year 2, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £100 be given.

J. Orphir on Tour – Orphir Community Association

Following consideration of correspondence from Orphir Community Association, requesting financial assistance towards the cost of the 'Orphir on Tour' event in September 2018, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £192 be given to cover the cost of the bus hire, subject to CCGS approval.

9. Publications

The following publications were made available for members to view:

- Community Planning News.
- Orkney Policing Report – June 2018.
- Seafarers UK Update.
- VAO Newsletter May 2018.

10. Dates of Next Meetings

Resolved that the next meetings would be held on 11 September and 13 November in Orphir Community School, commencing at 19:30.

11. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting concluded at 21:15.