

# **Minute of the Meeting of Sanday Community Council held via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, 9 March 2021 at 19:30**

## **Present:**

Mrs J Seatter, Mr M Lennie, Mr J Muir and Mr A Towrie.

## **In Attendance:**

- Councillor G Sinclair.
- Councillor S Clackson.
- Councillor H Woodbridge.
- Mrs J McGrath, Community Council Liaison Officer (CCLO).
- Ms G Speers, Clerk/Island Link Officer (ILO).

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## **1. Apologies**

Resolved to note that apologies for absence had been received from Mr P Allan, Miss H Dakin and Mr G Ellis.

## **2. Adoption of Minutes**

The minute of the meeting held on 19 January 2021 was approved, being proposed by Mr M Lennie and seconded by Mr J Muir.

## **3. Matters Arising**

### **A. Red Telephone Kiosks**

Following a report from the ILO advising members on the progress with the refurbishment of the red telephone kiosks, it was:

Resolved:

1. To note that the ILO would order the extra parts and floor paint for the telephone kiosks.
2. To note that the ILO had contacted BT to arrange the removal of the telephone at the kiosk in Kettletoft on numerous occasions, but that it had still not been removed.

### **B. Defibrillators**

Following a report from the ILO advising members on the progress with the defibrillators, it was:

Resolved:

1. To note that Sanday Community Council had been successful in securing the match funding to purchase the three defibrillators and the costs incurred for their installation from the Spurness Community Fund.
2. That the ILO would contact the harbours department to enquire if they would be interested in accepting the defibrillator that is currently at Sanday Community Shop when the new defibrillator is installed in the phone kiosk in Lady.

### **C. Walter Traill Dennison Lair**

The ILO advised members of the progress of the renovations to the Walter Traill Dennison Lair. Members had considered the quotes received from Blacksmiths in Orkney for the construction of new railings and gate to the lair, and the ILO was to contact the successful applicant, and it was:

Resolved:

1. To note the information provided.

2. That the ILO would advertise in the Sanday Sound, Sanday Residents Facebook page and local shops for tenders to install and paint the railings and gate of the lair with a closing date of 9 April 2021.

#### **D. Scrap Cars and Scrap Metal**

The ILO reported that she had contacted the contractor with regards to the removal of the scrap cars and was waiting for the information requested. It was also reported that there would be plans for further skips to become available for the removal of scrap metal in the near future, and it was:

Resolved to note the information provided.

#### **E. Grass Cutting and Kirkyard Gate maintenance contracts.**

Following discussion with regards to the grass cutting contracts to begin April 2021 and the tender for the repair and painting of the Kirkyard gates, it was agreed that the ILO would advertise the tenders in the Sanday Sound newsletter and Sanday Residents facebook page with a closing date of 9 April 2021, and that the tenders would be advised to get in touch with the ILO for the tender documents. It was also reported that the mower and strimmer would need servicing and, following discussion, it was:

Resolved:

1. That the ILO would advertise the tenders.
2. That the ILO would contact Andrew Rae to arrange the servicing of the mower and strimmer.

#### **F. Empowering Communities**

Following a report from the ILO advising members of current projects, it was:

Resolved to note that the ILO had recently undertaken training in Teams and Zoom meetings online and was continuing to deal with enquiries from residents and arrange the payment of special collections and aggregate haulage.

### **4. Correspondence**

#### **A. Open Letter - Kirk Appeal**

Following consideration of correspondence from the Sanday session of the Church of Scotland with regards to the future of the Sanday Kirk, it was:

Resolved to note that the ILO would write a letter to the session clerk.

#### **B. Scottish Water Appeal**

Following consideration of correspondence from Scottish Water, copies of which had previously been circulated, with regards to an appeal asking customers to help them trace leaks and bursts in Orkney after the recent spell of cold weather, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

## **C. Pot Holes and Road Defects**

Following consideration of correspondence from the Roads Support Manager with regards to an unclassified road with pot holes that had previously been reported, and further discussion regarding other areas needing attention, it was:

Resolved:

1. To note that the ILO would request clarification from the Roads Inspector with regards to the unclassified road
2. To note that the ILO would inform Democratic Services of all the areas on Sanday that required inspecting by the Road Inspector ahead of their visit on 16 March 2021.
3. That the ILO would continue to report potholes and road defects.

## **5. Consultation Documents**

### **A. Verge Maintenance Plan 2020**

Following discussion with regards to the Verge Maintenance Plan 2020, copies of which had previously been circulated for consideration, it was:

Resolved that there would be no changes required to the plan for Sanday for 2021.

### **B. Defra and Scottish Government Consultation on Animal Welfare and Livestock Transportation**

Following discussion with regards to the Defra and Scottish Government Consultation on Animal Welfare and Livestock Transportation, it was:

Resolved to note that this consultation had been circulated previously for members to respond to individually.

## **6. Financial Statements**

### **A. General Finance**

Following consideration of the general finance statement as at 22 February 2021, it was:

Resolved to note that the estimated balance was £8,972.55.

### **B. Spurness Wind Micro Fund**

Following consideration of the Spurness Wind Fund statement as at 22 February 2021, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance was £7,270.97.

### **C. Community Council Grant Scheme**

Following consideration of the 2020/2021 Community Council Grant Scheme statement as at 22 February, it was:

Resolved to note that the main capping limit was fully allocated, and that the balances remaining in the additional and island capping limits were £669 and £405.84 respectively.

## **D. Community Development Fund**

Following consideration of the Community Development Fund statement as at 22 February 2021, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance remaining for approval was £9,419.68.

## **E. Seed Corn Fund**

Following consideration of the Seed Corn Fund statement as at 22 February 2021, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance remaining for approval was £3,689.03.

## **7. Applications for Financial Assistance**

### **A. Sanday Community School**

Following consideration of correspondence from Sanday Community School Pupil Council, copies of which had previously been circulated, requesting assistance towards the provision of fresh fruit for the school pupils, it was:

Resolved:

1. That the grant of £6,000 towards the cost of providing fruit over a 3-year period should be made from the Spurness Community Fund.
2. To request that a twelve-month progress report is submitted yearly before the release of funds for the following year.

### **B. Sanday Community Council**

Members considered providing assistance towards the purchase of three defibrillators and the costs incurred for their installation, it was:

Resolved that the grant of £3,965.32 be provided from the Spurness Community Fund.

## **8. Reports from Community Council Representatives**

### **A. Transport Representative**

Following a report from the Chair on behalf of the Transport Representative, it was:

Resolved to note that when the current Covid restrictions are removed, the Air and Ferry timetables would return to normal.

### **B. Planning Representative**

Resolved to note that there was nothing to report.

### **C. Development Trust Representative**

The Development Trust Representative gave a report advising members of the various projects being undertaken by the Trust at present, and it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the report.

### **D. NILPS Representative**

Resolved to note that there was nothing to report.

### **E. Resilience Group Representative**

Following a report from the Resilience Group Representative, it was:

Resolved to note that additional funding would be in place for road repairs in the coming financial year.

## **9. Publications**

The following publications were made available to members:

- Orkney Ferries Statistics – November and December 2020.
- Loganair Statistics – January and February 2021.
- VAO Newsletter – January and February 2021.

## **10. Any Other Competent Business**

## **11. Date of Next Meeting**

Following consideration of future meeting dates, it was:

Resolved that the next meetings of Sanday Community Council would be held on Tuesdays 18 May and 29 June 2021, commencing at 19:30.

## **12. Conclusion of Meeting**

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 20:37.