

Minute of the Meeting of Evie and Rendall Community Council held in the Evie Community School on Monday, 20 March 2023 at 19:10

Present:

Eoin R H Marcus, Elizabeth A Flett, Fiona M C Georgeson, Colin Gunn and Jane F Rawle.

In Attendance:

- Councillor Rachael King.
- Councillor Duncan Tullock.
- Ms Hayley Green, Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure.
- Mrs Jackie Montgomery, Empowering Communities Liaison Officer.
- Miss Inga Gaudie, Community Council Liaison Assistant.
- Mr Duncan Clark.
- Mr Mark Hull.

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1. Welcome

After successfully being elected on the community council, Duncan Clark and Mark Hull were welcomed to the community council by Eoin Harcus and the meeting was commenced.

2. Apologies

Resolved to note apologies had been received from Councillor Owen Tierney and Councillor Jean Stevenson.

3. Adoption of Minutes

The minute of the meeting held on 16 January 2023 was approved, being proposed by Colin Gunn and seconded by Jane Rawle.

4. Matters arising

A. Parking at Evie Beach

Resolved to note that no update was available as at date of meeting.

B. Traffic Lights at Road Works

Resolved to note that the traffic lights had been removed.

C. Road Speed Concerns in Evie

The request made by the Community Council for Automatic Traffic Counters to be instated, had been submitted to the Roads Team. The Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure, stated she would follow up on this request, and it was:

Resolved to note the update.

5. Correspondence

A. Memorials update and reminder

Following consideration of correspondence regarding dangerous memorials members noted that this had been undertaken in Evie and Rendall, it was:

Resolved to note the content of the correspondence.

B. COVID recovery in local communities

Following consideration of correspondence from the COVID Recovery Adviser advising that Lateral Flow Tests were still available if required, it was:

Resolved that no further action was necessary.

C. St Magnus Way – Path Repair

Following consideration of correspondence from the Chairperson, St Magnus Way Committee, advising of the collapse of a bridge on an area of land which was part of the St Magnus Way path, it was:

Resolved to note that the bridge was on privately owned land and that no action be taken.

D. Thank you letters and messages

Resolved to note that messages of thanks had been received from N Fyffe, Orkney Amateur Swimming Club, S and A Tomlinson, L Wood and C McAllister.

E. Bag the Bruck 2023

Following consideration of correspondence received from Greener Orkney detailing this year's arrangements for Bag the Bruck, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence and that funding of £300 should be made available through Community Council Grant Scheme assistance and divided between any groups applying.

F. Trade Waste – Play Park bins

Following consideration of a report from the Interim Clerk advising that the cost of emptying a 240 litre bin, on a fortnightly basis, would be £101, it was:

Resolved to apply for the Community Council Grant Scheme on the cost.

G. West of Orkney Wind Farm

Following consideration of correspondence received from West of Orkney Windfarm, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

H. Orkney Harbours – Pre Application Notice

Following consideration of correspondence received from SWECO, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

I. Falls of Warness Tidal Test Site

Following consideration of correspondence received from Marine Scotland, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

6. Consultations

There were no consultations to be discussed.

7. Kirkyard Tenders 2023

Following consideration of tenders for the maintenance of the Evie and Rendall Kirkyards and Evie War Memorial, it was:

Resolved:

1. To award the contract for the maintenance to Isbister Brothers Ltd for the next year.
2. That the Clerk would apply for Community Council Grant Scheme on the cost of maintaining the War Memorial.

8. Financial Statements

A. General Finance

After consideration of the General Finance statement as at 20 March 2023, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance was £6,094.15.

B. NPower Fund

After consideration of the NPower Fund statement as at 20 March 2023, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note the balance of £37,405.06.

C. Burgar Hill Renewables Fund

After consideration of the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund statement as at 20 March 2023, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance was £11,341.77.

D. Hammars Hill Energy Fund

After consideration of the Hammars Hill Energy Fund statement as at 20 March 2023, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance was £29,373.58.

E. Community Council Grant Scheme

After consideration of the Community Council Grant Scheme statement as at 20 March 2023, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved:

1. To note that Rendall Community Association - Rendall Pitch Maintenance was listed under the wrong category of A6 and that the Community Council Liaison Office would rectify the error and amend the category to B1.

2. To note the OIC Additional Capping Limit had £743 remaining.
3. To note the OIC Main Capping Limit was fully allocated.

F. Community Development Fund

After consideration of the Community Development Fund statement as at 20 March 2023, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the sum of £6,580.86 remained available for allocation.

G. Seed Corn Fund

After consideration of the Seed Corn Fund statement as at 20 March 2023, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the sum of £3,395 remained available for allocation.

9. Financial Applications

A. Rendall Football Club, Training, hire and equipment costs

Following consideration of the additional correspondence received from Rendall Football Club, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of training, hire and equipment, it was:

Resolved:

1. A donation of £1865 be given to Rendall Football Club, which should be met from the General Fund.
2. That the Clerk would apply for Community Council Grant Scheme.
3. To note the invite to members of the Community Council to their Quiz night being held on 24 March 2023, it was:

B. Mrs M Nicolson, Badminton in Glasgow

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs M Nicolson, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of competing in a total of three Badminton competitions in Glasgow, to be held over one weekend, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of the trip, which should be met from the Bugar Hill Renewables Fund.

C. Dounby School, Class trip to Hoy

Following consideration of correspondence received from the Head Teacher of Dounby Community School, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of 1 pupil to attend an outdoor education programme at the Hoy Outdoor Centre, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £30 be given towards the cost of the trip, which should be met from the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund.

D. Mrs C Nicolson, Rugby and Gymnastics

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs C Nicolson, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards her daughters costs of competing in a total of three rugby competitions in Highland and Troon, one Badminton competition in Shetland and one gymnastics competition in Fyrish, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of each of the five events, totalling £450, which should be met from the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund.

E. Evie School, Class trip to Hoy

Following consideration of correspondence received from the Head Teacher of Evie Community School, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of four pupils to attend a residential trip to Hoy for four nights, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £30 be given to each pupil towards the cost of the trip, totalling £120, which should be met from the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund.

F. Ms H Clarke, Dance World Cup

Mr Duncan Clark declared an interest in this item of business.

Following consideration of correspondence received from Ms H Clark, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards her daughter's costs of competing in a Dance World Cup competition in Portugal, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £180 be given towards the cost of the event, which should be met from the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund.

G. Mr D McGee, Inspiresport Boys U16

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mr Darren McGee, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of competing in a total of four rugby competitions in Caithness and Dunfermline, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of each of the four events, totalling £360, which should be met from the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund.

H. Ms S Tomalin, Sports Trips

Following consideration of correspondence received from Ms S Tomalin, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of competing in a total of two sports trips in Aberdeen and Wick, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of each of the two events, totalling £180, which should be met from the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund.

I. Mr D Skea, Ploughing Match Insurance

Following consideration of correspondence received from the organisers of the Evie, Rendall and Firth Ploughing Match, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for funding towards the insurance costs of the 2023 ploughing match, it was:

Resolved:

1. That an award of £131.50 should be given towards the cost of the insurance.
2. That Community Council Grant Scheme assistance should be applied for on the cost of £131.50.

J. Ms L Wilson, University Travel

Following consideration of correspondence received from Ms L Wilson, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of her daughter's university interviews in Edinburgh and Stirling on two separate dates, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of each event, amounting to £180 which should be met from the Bugar Hill Renewables Fund.

K. Ms G Phaithaisong, Netball Trip

Following consideration of correspondence received from Ms G Phaithaisong, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of competing in a netball competition in Aberdeen, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of event, which should be met from the Bugar Hill Renewables Fund.

L. Ms L Wilson, Football Trip

Following consideration of correspondence received from Ms L Wilson, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of competing in a football competition in Caithness, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of the event, which should be met from the Bugar Hill Renewables Fund.

M. Mrs C Linklater, Road Repairs

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs C Linklater, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of road repairs, it was:

Resolved:

1. To advise Mrs C Linklater, that £300 was available on evidence of receipts, to each household living on the road, for the repairs, which should be met from the Hammars Hill Renewables Fund.

2. To advise Mrs C Linklater to contact appropriate contractors to get a quote for the road repairs and carry out the work.

3. To advise the applicants that Orkney Islands Council does not have capacity to carry out this work.

N. Ms S Tomalin, Road Repairs

Following consideration of correspondence received from Ms S Tomalin, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of road repairs, it was:

Resolved to advise Ms S Tomalin, that £300 was available on evidence of receipts, for the repairs to the drive, which should be met from the Hammars Hill Renewables Fund.

O. OASC – Pentland Pentaqua

Following consideration of correspondence received from Orkney Amateur Swimming Club, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of two swimmers competing in a swimming competition in Wick, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of each swimmer attending the event, totalling £180, which should be met from the Bugar Hill Renewables Fund.

P. Evie and Rendall After School Group

Following consideration of correspondence from Evie and Rendall After School Club advising that they would be taking part in annual Bag the Bruck and as in previous years, will undertake this during the month of June, it was:

Resolved that the Community Council will utilise the £300 available from the Community Council Grant Scheme, which would either be paid in its entirety to the Evie and Rendall After School Club or divided evenly, if other groups also apply for the funding.

10. Any Other Competent Business

Resolved that there were no further matters to be discussed.

11. Publications

Resolved to note that the following publications had been forwarded to member:

- VAO – February Newsletter.
- VAO – Training and Funding.
- VAO – Event Promo.
- ORSAS – Quarterly Newsletter.
- Crofting Commission Area Recruitment.
- SEPA 2023.
- NHS Healthcare Improvement Scotland.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that the next meeting of Evie and Rendall Community Council would be held on Monday, 19 June 2023 commencing at 19:30 in the Community Room of Evie School.

13. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 20:30.