

Minute of the blended meeting of Evie and Rendall Community Council held in Evie Community School and via Microsoft Teams on Monday, 16 January 2023 at 19:30

Present:

Eoin R Marcus, Miss Fiona Georgeson, Colin Gunn and Ms J Rawle.

In Attendance:

- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan Tullock.
- Councillor Jean Stevenson.
- Councillor Rachael King.
- Ms Hayley Green, Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure.
- Mrs Jackie Montgomery, Empowering Communities Liaison Officer.
- Mrs Lynne Leitch, Clerk.

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note apologies had been received from Mrs E Flett.

2. Adoption of Minutes

The minute of the meeting held on 26 September 2022 was approved, being proposed by Colin Gunn and seconded by Jane Rawle.

3. Matters Arising

A. Reconstruction Works at Tingwall

Following consideration of correspondence received from Ms Green, Neighbourhood Services outlining the timescale of the reconstruction works at Tingwall and after noting that the work was underway it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the update.

B. Traffic Lights at Gorseness Road end

Following discussion on the traffic lights at the end of the Gorseness Road and the frequency and set up of the lights according to traffic flow, members asked if the Roads department could be contacted to ask if they could be set up better to reflect traffic volume, and it was:

Resolved for the Clerk to include the query in the business letter to Democratic Services.

C. Parking at Evie Beach toilets

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

4. Correspondence

A. Rendall Community Association, Planning application

Mrs Montgomery declared an interest in this item of business.

Members considered correspondence received from the Rendall Community Association asking if their planning application for a hall extension could be submitted in the name of the Community Council [CC] to reduce fees in half. After hearing that similar applications from various other Community Councils for different projects had not incurred any problems, and that the CC would merely be the messenger for correspondence, it was:

Resolved that it was in order for the Community Council's name to be noted as the applicant on the planning submission.

B. Avian Bird Flu

Following consideration of correspondence received from Democratic Services, copies of which had previously been circulated, on the Avian Flu outbreak in November 2022, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

C. The West of Orkney Windfarm

Following consideration of correspondence received from Offshore Wind Power Ltd, copies of which had previously been circulated, advising members of their intention to submit an application to construct an offshore windfarm and the associated onshore transmission infrastructure to connect the West of Orkney to the grid and also inviting members to participate in their Orkney Community Panel discussion to be held on 23 January 2023, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

D. Hitrans Scottish Islands - Windracers

Following consideration and discussion of correspondence received on behalf of HITRANS asking how Windracers drones could be used in communities, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

E. Road Speed Concerns

Following consideration and discussion of correspondence received from Evie residents over concerns at the speed of vehicles travelling through the 30mph area in Evie village particularly at the junction to the beach road opposite Eviedale, it was:

Resolved:

1. That the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure, would ask the Roads team what type of temporary road traffic methods could be used to record vehicular speeds other than the usual strips.
2. For the Clerk to respond to the writers of the correspondence to advise that their concerns will be investigated in due course.

F. EMEC Billia Croo Section 36 consent

Following consideration of correspondence received from Marine Scotland, copies of which had previously been distributed, advising that Scottish Ministers had granted consent for the EMEC Billia Croo wave test site be installed, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

G. Rendall Football Club, Quiz Night

Following consideration of correspondence, copies of which had previously been distributed, inviting members of the Community Council to their Quiz night being held on 24 February 2023 in the Rendall Hall, it was:

Resolved to note the contents of the correspondence.

H. Thank you letters and messages

Resolved to note that messages of thanks had been received from Kirkwall and St Ola Community Council, C Ridland, Mrs A Tomalin, Mrs C Nicolson, Miss M

McAllister, Evie Community Association, Miss W Deyell and Mrs G Phaithaisong and that a thank you letter had been received from Orkney Amateur Swimming Club.

I. SCOTO – Scottish Community Tourism Roadshow 2023

Following consideration of correspondence, copies of which were distributed at the meeting, informing members of upcoming roadshows aiming to raise the awareness of the scale and impact of community led tourism across Scotland, it was:

Resolved:

1. To note the contents of the correspondence.
2. To include the roadshow details on the Community Council's Facebook page.

5. Financial Statements

A. General Finance

After consideration of the General Finance statement as at 23 November 2022, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance was £6,841.33.

B. NPower Fund

After consideration of the NPower Fund statement as at 23 November 2022, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note the balance of £37,705.06.

C. Burgar Hill Renewables Fund

After consideration of the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund statement as at 23 November 2022, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the balance was £13,591.77.

D. Hammars Hill Energy Fund

After consideration of the Hammars Hill Energy Fund statement as at 23 November 2022, copies of which had previously been circulated, and hearing that the annual community benefit had been received for the year end 31 December 2022, it was:

Resolved:

1. To note that the balance as at 23 November 2022 was £16,673.56.
2. That the annual community benefit of £13,300 for the year ending 31 December 2022 had recently been received.

E. Community Council Grant Scheme

After consideration of the Community Council Grant Scheme statement as at 23 November 2022, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that balance had been fully allocated.

F. Community Development Fund

After consideration of the Community Development Fund statement as at 23 November 2022, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

Resolved to note that the sum of £6,580.30 remained available for allocation.

G. Seed Corn Fund

After consideration of the Seed Corn Fund statement as at 23 November 2022, copies of which had previously been circulated, it was:

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

6. Financial Applications

A. Evie Community Association – Replacement Defibrillator Cabinet

Miss F Georgeson declared an interest in this item of business.

Following consideration of correspondence received from the Evie Community Association applying for financial assistance towards the cost of replacing the defibrillator cabinet for approximately £805 and after noting that members had previously agreed to meet the amount via emails, it was:

Resolved that the cost of replacing the cabinet be met from the Community Council Grant Scheme for the amount of £805.

B. Miss G Montgomery, Hockey in Inverness

Following consideration of correspondence received from Miss G Montgomery, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of competing in a Ladies hockey match in Inverness, it was:

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

C. Mrs C Nicolson, Rugby Competitions

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs C Nicolson, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of competing in a total of 6 rugby competitions in Bishopbriggs, Aberdeen, Shetland, Fraserburgh and Inverness, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of each of the six events, totalling £540, which should be met from the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund.

D. Rendall Football Club, Training Costs and Equipment

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

Resolved for the Clerk to request details of the Club's financial records before any decision can be made.

E. C McAllister, Swan Trust Sailing Weekend, Shetland

Ms J Rawle declared an interest in this item of business and did not partake in the discussion.

Following consideration of correspondence received C McAllister, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for funding towards the cost of his daughter participating the Swan Trust Sailing weekend in Shetland, it was:

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

F. D McGee, Rugby in Kirkcaldy

Following consideration of correspondence received from D McGee, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of him and his son competing in a rugby competition in Kirkcaldy, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given to each of two participants to be met from Burgar Hill Renewables fund.

G. Mrs S Tomalin, Netball in Dundee and Swimming in Inverness

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs S Tomalin, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of her and her daughter competing in a netball competition in Dundee and also for her daughter competing in a swimming event in Inverness, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given towards the cost of each event, totalling £270 which should be met from the Burgar Hill Renewables Fund.

H. Mrs J Graham, Scottish Youth Climbing competition, Glasgow

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs J Graham, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of her daughter competing in a climbing competition in Glasgow, it was:

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

I. Mrs T Innes, Under 15's Netball in Dundee

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs T Innes, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards her daughter competing in a netball competition being held in Dundee, it was:

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

J. Mrs C Nicolson, Rugby in Edinburgh and the Borders

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs C Nicolson, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the

costs of her daughter competing two rugby competitions in Edinburgh and the Borders, it was resolved:

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 Bugar Hill Renewables Fund.

K. Miss G Montgomery, Hockey in Inverness

Following consideration of correspondence received from Miss G Montgomery, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of participating in a Hockey competition in Inverness, 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.

L. Orkney Amateur Swimming Club, North District meet, Inverness

Following consideration of correspondence received from Orkney Amateur Swimming Club, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of one Club official from Rendall accompanying swimmers to the North District meet in Inverness, 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 G Phaithaisong, Netball in Glasgow

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs G Phaithaisong, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of her daughter competing in a Netball competition in Glasgow, 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.

N. Miss L Wood, Netball in Glasgow

Following consideration of correspondence received Miss L Wood, copies which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of competing in netball in Glasgow, 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.

O. Road Repairs Scheme, Lyking, Rendall

Following consideration of correspondence received from N Thomson, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of improving his road at Lyking, Rendall, it was:

Resolved that a grant of up to a maximum of £300 be awarded, subject to the roads scheme criteria to be met from the RWE fund.

P. Road Repairs Scheme, Dyke, Evie

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mr and Mrs Fyffe, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of improving their road at Dyke, Evie, it was:

Resolved that a grant of up to a maximum of £300 be awarded, subject to the roads scheme criteria to be met from the RWE fund.

Q. Road Repairs Scheme, Honeycott, Rendall

Following consideration of correspondence received from S Batchelor, copies of which had previously been distributed, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of improving his road at Honeycott, Rendall, it was:

Resolved that a grant of up to a maximum of £300 be awarded, subject to the roads scheme criteria to be met from the RWE fund.

R. D McGee, Rugby in Aberdeen and Stonehaven

Following consideration of correspondence received from D McGee, copies of which had previously been circulated, applying for financial assistance towards the cost of him and his son competing in two rugby competitions in Aberdeen and Stonehaven, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £90 be given to each of two participants in both events, totalling £360 to be met from Burgar Hill Renewables fund.

S. Evie Community Association, Community Tree Lighting

Following consideration of correspondence received from the Evie Community Association, copies of which were distributed at the meeting, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of their Community Christmas Tree Lighting estimated at £113.49, it was:

Resolved that a donation of £113.49 be given towards the cost of the event to be met from general funds.

T. Mrs T Innes, Netball in Edinburgh

Following consideration of correspondence received from Mrs T Innes, copies of which were distributed at the meeting, applying for financial assistance towards the costs of her daughter competing in a netball competition being held in Edinburgh, it was:

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

7. Any Other Competent Business

A. Immediate Past Community Council members

The Clerk noted that it would be courteous for the Community Council to write to the three members who had recently stood down and thank them for their time and commitment for the period served on the CC, and it was:

Resolved for the Clerk to write and thank the past members on behalf of the CC.

B. Retiral of Clerk

The Clerk, who was minuting her last meeting, was presented with a card and gifts as a thank you in recognition of her time with the Community Council.

8. Publications

Publications received from Scottish Water, Orkney Harbours Offshore Wind and ORSAS had been available to members via email.

9. Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that the next meeting of Evie and Rendall Community Council would be held on Monday, 20 March 2023 commencing at 19:30 in the Community Room of Evie School. This meeting would be a public one in order to fill the two vacant seats on the Community Council.

10. Conclusion of Meeting

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