

**Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2025****1.0 First meeting after election procedure**

- Andrew Archer (nominated by Martin Randall, seconded by Charlie Hodge) was re-elected as Chair, and Linda Tulloch (nominated by Charlie Hodge and seconded by Margaret Cooper) was re-elected as Vice Chair.
- The ex-officio members are Catherine Hughson (Councillor), Moraig Lyall (Councillor), Ian Scott (Councillor), Davy Sandison (Councillor), Beatrice Wishart MSP, Alistair Carmichael MP, Ava Williamson MSYP, and Beenie-Ann Wood MSYP

**2.0 Present:**

Linda Tulloch (Vice Chair)	Ian Scott
Selina-May Miller	Moraig Lyall
Charlie Hodge	Catherine Hughson
Martin Randall	
Margaret Cooper	
Neil Leask	
Paul Stevens (Clerk)	

**3.0 Apologies:**

Andrew Archer, Birgit Wagner, Davie Sandison, Michael Duncan, Roselyn Fraser

**4.0 Declarations of Interest:**

Catherine Hughson declared an interest for planning applications.

**5.0 Approval of Minutes**

On a motion proposed by Margaret Cooper and seconded by Charlie Hodge, the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025 were agreed as a correct record of the meeting.

**6.0 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

- Additional parking at Kalliness: Colin Gair (SIC Roads) had replied to say that:
  - while they acknowledge that certain areas of the Kalliness housing scheme suffer from insufficient parking provision compared to current demands, the Roads Service has no statutory duty — and therefore no budget — to address the issue of insufficient parking.
  - it would be possible to introduce new parking restrictions to aid access, but that would

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result in a reduction of existing parking capacity.

- any cars parked in front of a neighbouring garage would be a potential offence of obstruction, the enforcement of which lies with Police Scotland.

However, the Councillors present indicated that SIC was working to secure funding for the creation of new spaces, based on the material change in resident demographics.

- Christmas card scheme update: Local businesses have been contacted and donations are starting to come in. If the gift vouchers were to be maintained at the previous year's level, then £2,600 will need to be raised through donations.
- Comparative price check of pre- and post-embarkation cabin booking with Northlink: it was confirmed that pre- and post-embarkation prices were the same for comparable cabin types.

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## **7.0 Decisions since last meeting**

The Clerk had written to Roads regarding road marking and cat's eyes visibility issues. No reply had been received as yet.

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## **8.0 Police report**

The police report for August/September 2025 had been circulated to members. There were no issues raised.

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## **9.0 Finance**

The Financial Report, updated to 19th November 2025, was distributed to the members. Neil Leask and Margaret Cooper agreed to be added as signatories to the bank account.

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## **10.0 Correspondence**

None.

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## **11. Planning**

There were two planning applications to be considered this month: 2025/286/PPF (Static caravan at Stromfirth) and 2025/290/PPF (To construct single storey extension to existing dwelling house; and retrospective land change of use from agricultural to domestic, Bonhoga Veensgarth). Members did not wish to comment on either.

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## **12.0 Viking / Statkraft**

Several community councillors had attended the recent in person and online public events. Members felt that, while they were generally in favour of the ammonia plant project in principle, the proposed location was inappropriate and would be better sited within the existing industrial area.

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## **13.0 Win Furt**

An update was circulated to members, who were pleased with the progress:

- Tingwall path: Discussions with SIC about possible funding for construction are continuing. It

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seems unlikely that Paths for All will have any money available next year. CASE are producing the application for the Road Construction Consent, which is required for SIC Roads to adopt the path when it is complete.

- Hellister path: Andrew Archer and Jennie Atkinson met with some of the key planning stakeholders a couple of weeks ago for the first, very positive meeting in the planning department's Quality Audit process. The next steps are to go back to the landowners and then, as long as they are still happy, to put out an invitation to tender for the design. Win Furt plan to do the design as one contract, but in two stages, with a pause for public consultation.
- The Win Furt AGM was held on 17th November. They are still on the lookout for more trustees.

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## **14.0 SCBF**

There was one application this month: CGS0055 (Strom Park clubhouse refurbishment). This was considered to meet the CC's criteria for local relevance and significant legacy, and so was approved.

- ACTION: The Clerk to submit approval to SCBF for the full amount of £9055

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## **15.0 Roads**

Possible acquisition of movable 'smiley face' speed sign: Members noted that one of these devices had recently been effectively deployed between Scalloway and Hamnavoe but felt it would be impractical for the CC to be responsible for one. It was agreed that the Clerk ask Roads about possible options.

- ACTION: The Clerk to write to roads to enquire (a) if and when an existing 'smiley face' sign was due to be deployed in the TWWCC area, and (b) whether Roads would be willing to deploy a moveable speed sign on our behalf if TWWCC were to purchase it?

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## **16.0 Councillors' Reports**

- Catherine Hughson had been busy with road issues in the Kergord and Kalliness areas. She had also been at the recent public meeting in Scalloway for the Shetland Central Ward.
- Moraig Lyall had been involved with the Shetland Youth Voice summits: over the last year, four summits had focused on transport, jobs, mental health, and public spaces for young people, with plans for future events on the environment, and education. Additionally, the SIC environment and transport committee was currently waiting for bus tenders to come in, and the new productivity plan is underway.
- Ian Scott did not wish to raise any issues.

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## **17.0 AOCB**

- Increase in Clerk salary scale: members agreed to apply the national salary increase.
- Meeting dates for 2026 will continue to be the third Wednesday of each month: 21/01, 18/02, 18/03, 15/04, 20/05, 17/06, 15/07, 19/08, 16/09, 21/10, 18/11..

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## **18.0 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2026 at Tingwall Primary School

