

Minute of the Special Meeting of Stronsay Community Council held in the Island Link Office, Stronsay, on Wednesday, 5 June 2019 at 18:00

Present:

Mr I Cooper, Mr C Fraser, Mr S Weaver and Mrs S Whiteman.

In Attendance:

- Mr C McAlpine, Clerk.

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1. Apologies

Resolved to note that apologies had been received from Mr P Riley, Mr J Seaton and Mr D Stout.

2. Stronsay Fish Mart

Due to the sensitive nature of this item it was taken in private.

Members heard that the parties who had expressed an interest in the Fish Mart Operator vacancy had withdrawn, but that there were some possible options available for the continued running of the Café. The Chair reported that, in the meantime, he had made arrangements for the Café to be open for tea and coffee only, at times when other providers were closed, and that he had supplied the necessary provisions.

Consideration was also given to requesting quotes to implement the energy saving suggestions offered in a report from Resource Efficient Scotland, and the Chair informed members that the Energy and Utilities Officer had seen and responded to the report. Members also heard that it had not been possible for Mr Weaver and Mr Seaton to meet with the Stronsay Development Trust Community Development Officer to discuss external funding opportunities.

The Chair also informed members he had heard there was a blockage in the wastewater drainage in the public shower room, and it was resolved:

1. To note the information provided.
2. That the Fish Mart Operator vacancy would continue to be advertised locally and that the Chair would liaise with a local resident who had offered to advertise the vacancy further afield.
3. That the Chair would maintain dialogue with the family member whose services had been offered to run the Café and ascertain what help was required to take on the Fish Mart Operator position.
4. That Mr Weaver would contact the Stronsay Development Trust Community Development Officer and arrange a convenient time for him and the Chair to meet with her to discuss external funding opportunities.
5. That the Clerk would pursue a request previously made to Orkney Islands Council on whether there would be any objections to Stronsay Community Council seeking grant funding for energy savings recommendations, as identified in the Resource Efficient Scotland – Stronsay Fish Mart Café and Hostel report, which would include alterations to the building.
6. That the Clerk would request a copy of the plan of the Fish Mart and information on the level of insulation in the building from Orkney Islands Council.
7. That Mr Weaver would request a quote for ground source heating to be fitted and supplied to the Fish Mart.

8. That the Clerk would request a quote to supply and fit photovoltaic panels on the Fish Mart roof.

9. That Stronsay Community Council would reconvene at 19:30 on Wednesday, 19 June 2019 to resume consideration of this item.

3. Conclusion of Meeting

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 18:40.