



Association of Shetland Community Councils

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To: All Trustees of Shetland Charitable Trust (SCT)

Dear Trustee

As you will know the Association of Shetland Community Councils (ASCC) has consistently requested that the non SIC members of the SCT should be democratically elected by the people of Shetland, not appointed. This was discussed at the ASCC meeting on 6th October 2012 where a motion was carried that I write to you regarding SCT governance.

With this in mind, could you please appoint the new Trustees for only a one year term, so as to give you time to submit a new proposal to OSCR for the non SIC members of the Shetland Charitable Trust to be democratically elected by the people of Shetland.

The one year should be sufficient for OSCR to consider the proposal, and for elections to be held. One year is more than long enough for the Shetland Charitable Trust to be under undemocratic control.

The postal voting system has proved to be the method that has had the highest % of Shetland voters taking part.

The ASCC suggest that Trustees adopt this proposal.

Yours sincerely

Mr James R Gear
Chairman
Association of Shetland Community Councils

cc Mr David Robb, Chief Executive, Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR)
Rt Hon Alex Salmond, MSP
Mr Tavish Scott, MSP
Mr Laurence Odie, ASCC Vice-Chairman
All Community Council Chairs
Mrs Catherine Hughson, Executive Officer, Voluntary Action Shetland
Dr Ann Black, Chief Executive Shetland Charitable Trust