



STRAWBERRY TEAS



SUNDAY

14TH JUNE



FROM 2PM TO 4PM

IN THE PIER RESTAURANT

*Tea, coffee, homebakes,
scones and more!*



RAFFLE: £1 A TICKET

DRAWN AT 3.45

**DONATIONS TO
ROUSAY TRIANGLE
CLUB**



Crafthub @ The Space



Stitch Sunday

June 7th

2pm - 4pm

The Space, Rousay

Come along and learn how to use, maintain
and play with your machine.



info@crafthuborkney.com



Rousay Sailing Club

Taste and Try Watercraft



**Note: Change
of Time**



Sunday 7th June 2pm-6pm

Join us at Rousay Pier

Contact us on Facebook – Rousay Sailing Club

Or message 07581036126 / 07488284019 for more details

Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre and Gairsay Community Council

The next meeting of Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre and Gairsay Community Council will take place on Tuesday 23rd June at 19:30 at Rousay Community School.

Any items to be included on the agenda should be submitted to the clerk by emailing rewgclerk@gmail.com before Monday 8th June 2026.



June SWI Open Meeting

Thursday 25th June 8pm at the school

Speaker

Ben Pentreath

Topic


A Scottish Vision.

Ben will talk about his work and influences and discuss his and Charlie's vision for Westness House

Competitions

Photograph of an old building
Honeycomb pieces

Raffle tickets and refreshments provided



ROUSAY SCHOOL COMMUNITY GARDEN WORK DAYS

MAY 10, 24
JUNE
7, 14, 21

TEA , BISCUITS AND
GOOD COMPANY PROVIDED



Doors open 11am.
Show starts 11:30am

FESTIVAL ON TOUR
— ROUSAY

BIRL

THE BUBBLYJOCK COLLECTIVE

Neil Sutcliffe

Accordion

Anna Michels

Piano

Buxton Orr

A Celtic Suite

Helen Hopekirk

Two Tone-Pictures

Lisa Robertson

Birl

John Maxwell Geddes

Dances at Threave

Marie Dare

Two Duets

Eddie McGuire

Allegro from Accordion Concerto

This programme explores how dance-forms have influenced Scottish composers from the 19th-century right up to the present day. From traditional tunes to courtly dances, rhythm, movement and form flow throughout this concert. Featuring new arrangements for accordion and piano by the performers, as well as solo instrumental works, this will be a concert to get the toes tapping. So, take your partners, please, and join us for a *birl* round Scotland!

Anna and Neil are two thirds of the Bubblyjock Collective, an ensemble dedicated to performing Scottish music from the 19th century up to living composers. They have quickly gained an impressive reputation for their performances bringing the huge variety of music and compositional talent in Scotland to the stage.

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FRIDAY
26 JUNE
11:00

The Space
Rousay

Tickets £18

Concessions £16

Magfest Explorer £5

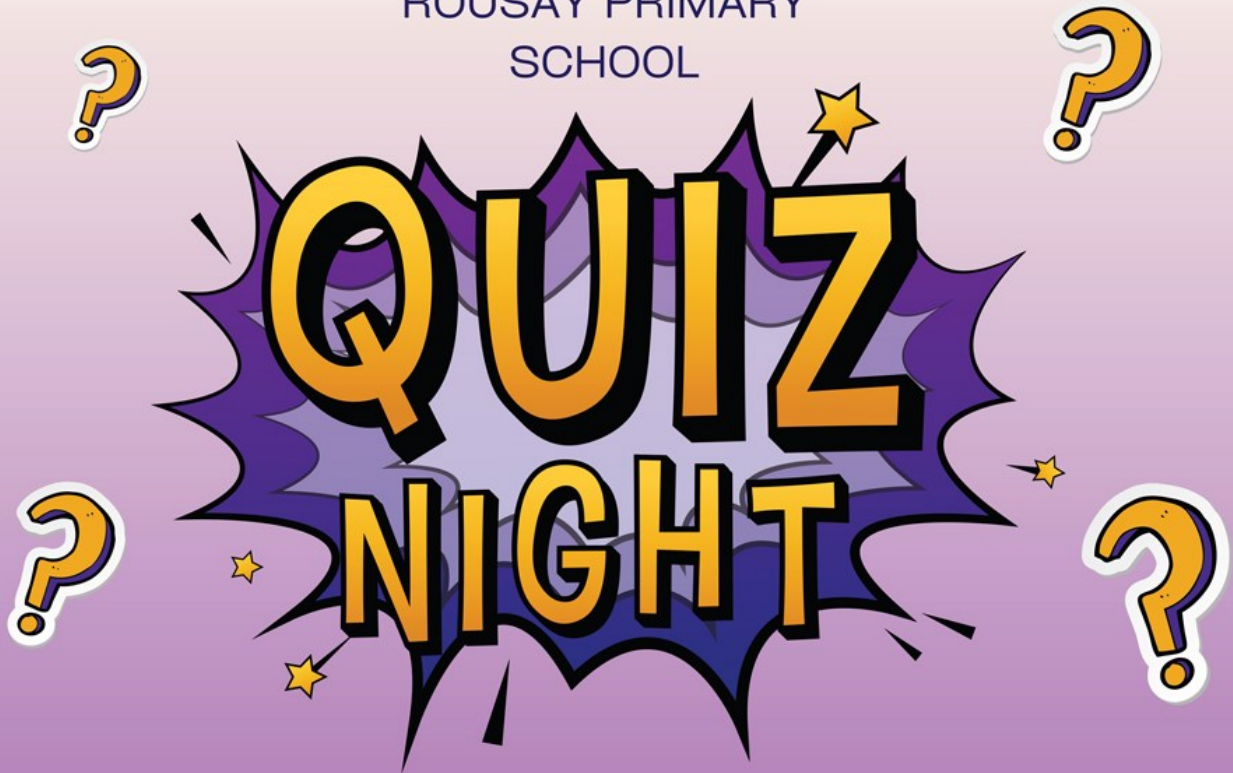
Duration appx. 60 minutes

*Ferry to Rousay is not included
in this ticket. Book ferry via Orkney
Ferries www.orkneyferries.co.uk*

BOOK ONLINE STMAGNUSFESTIVAL.COM



ROUSAY PRIMARY
SCHOOL

A central graphic for 'Quiz Night' featuring the words 'QUIZ NIGHT' in large, bold, yellow letters with black outlines, set against a purple, jagged, starburst background. The text is surrounded by several yellow question marks and small yellow stars, all with white outlines. The background of the entire poster is a gradient of purple and yellow.

QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 27TH JUNE

DOORS OPEN AT 7.30
QUIZ STARTS AT 8

Raising funds for Rousay primary school.
are you ready for a night filled with laughter, trivia and a
little friendly competition
£10 per team up to 4 people
light supper and raffle

REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY!

Contact Kirsty to book your table on
07850543012 or messenger



Come and celebrate the 1st Anniversary of the Pier Store!

Sunday 28th June
at 2pm
at the Pier Store

Followed by refreshments
and a chance to see
Tommy Gibson's
photographic archive in
The Pier Restaurant

Donations to REW
Heritage SCIO welcome

Crafthub

Music Sessions

with Frances

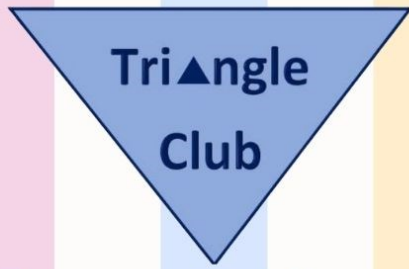
@ The Space

Wednesdays
7 pm- 10pm

Free evening
sessions of music
and singing.

For further information contact Frances on 07850 064093





**Join Rousay Triangle Club on Tuesdays
from 11am to 2pm in the
Rousay School Community Room**

**You don't have to stay for the full day, there are
several options to suit everyone's needs and
time pressures. Everyone and all ages welcome.**

**Option 1: Coffee Morning,
£3**

Join us from 11am for tea or coffee and biscuits and have a catch up with friends or even meet new faces!

Option 2: Lunch Special, £7

Join us at 12.45pm to enjoy a warming veggie soup and sandwich lunch, followed by tea & a homebake. A selection of veggie and meat sandwiches are available.

**Option 3: Full
Experience, £7**

Come along from 11am for coffee, biscuits and a chat, option to join in with board games of your choice from 11:30am and enjoy a warming soup and sandwich lunch at 12.45pm, followed by tea & a homebake.

It is essential to let Alice Mainland know each Sunday if you would like lunch for catering numbers:

07552387109 / alicemnln@btinternet.com

CRAFTHUB @THE SPACE

JUNE EVENTS 2026

01, 08, 15,
22, 29
JUNE

Pop-up Cafe

Every Monday 11am to 3pm
Come and enjoy some food and a natter
Hot & cold drinks, soup with scone or bread & homebakes.

03, 17, 24
JUNE

Chair Yoga

10am - 10:45am Drop-in session - free for residents
For more details contact: Nicky@REWDT.org

03, 10,
17, 24
JUNE

Musical Wednesdays

7pm to 10pm
Free evening music & singing session.
For all ages & abilities.

07, 21, 28
JUNE

Rainbows, Brownies & Guides

10:15 - 11:45

07
JUNE

Stitch Sunday

2pm to 4pm
Learn how to use & make the most of your sewing machine.

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JUNE

Essential Oil Workshop

Midday to 2:30pm free for residents
For more details contact Nicky@REWDT.org

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JUNE

Rousay Peedie Lap 2026

Registration from 10:30, starts at 12:00
For details & online entry see www.rewdt.org

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JUNE

BIRL - St Magnus Festival Event

11:30am to 12:30 pm doors open at 11am
Tickets from stmagnusfestival.com



Rousay Regatta and Water Recreation Weekend

Saturday 4th July 2026

Keel boat Racing.

10:30 Wyre Sound Race 1

11:30 Wyre Sound Race 2

13:30 Around Wyre Race

Sunday 5th July 2026

Water Recreation and Fun day

10:30 to 12:30 Children's Raft Building

12:30 to 14:30 BBQ by the Taversoe.

14:30 to 15:30 Children's Raft Race.

10:30 to 17:00 Taste & Try

Children's raft race, paddle boarding, skiff rowing, Kayaking, Canoeing, Keel boat sailing and much more...

Follow our Facebook page for more information @

**[https://www.facebook.com/
groups/2008592782726522/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/2008592782726522/)**



Rousay. Horticultural Society.

**The RHS Annual Show will be held on
Sunday 2nd August 2026**

at the Rousay Community School.

Textile and Handicrafts Tips

- Finishing is very important on Show work – so make sure all those ends are sewn in!
- To show it off to its best, think about how your item is presented.
- Make sure your item is entered in the correct category – e.g. anything in ‘Hand Knitting’ must be knitted, not crocheted.

Baking Tips

- When making 2 sponges to sandwich together, weigh amounts after putting in tins so that the sponges are an equal size.
- To stop fruit sinking, toss them in flour before folding through the cake mix.

RHS wish you the best of luck and are looking forward to seeing your entries.

Please bring your exhibits along to the entry evening on Saturday 1st August, from 7pm to 8.30pm.

Garden Festival HELP!



THREE GARDENS OPENING:
TRUMLAND HOUSE, ROUSAY COMMUNITY
SCHOOL AND KIRKGATE

JULY 3, DAY/NIGHT BEFORE

- SET UP PLANT SALE AT SCHOOL
- SANDWICH MAKING AT CRAFT HUB
- BAKE TASTY TREATS

- LAST MINUTE SCHOOL GARDEN TOUCH UPS

PLEASE HELP AT ANY LOCATION! ALL HELP WELCOME!!!

JULY 4 EVENT DAY! NEEDED AT ALL GARDENS AND PIER

2 SHIFTS AM OR PM (minimum number needed)

- PARKING DIRECTORS (6)
- GREETERS/INFO DESK PIER (8)
- SHUTTLE BUS DRIVERS, 2 VANS (4)

- PLANT SALE HELP (6)
- GARDEN GATE GREETERS (6)
- HELP AT SCHOOL TEAS (6)

AFTER LAST BOAT

- CLEAN UP AT ALL LOCATIONS

PLEASE CONTACT:

Lisa at **07984944425** OR **lkcroft@gmail.com** to sign up or for questions or to volunteer at Rousay Community School, contact Angela Ferguson at **angela.ferguson@orkney.gov.uk**

A ROUSAY CELEBRATION OF LAND AND SEA

JULY 4

ROUSAY GARDEN FESTIVAL 10AM TO 4PM

DAY 1 ROUSAY REGATTA

JULY 5

**DAY 2 ROUSAY REGATTA
FAMILY DAY AT THE PIER.**



FAQs coming soon



Orkney Heritage Society - Eynhallow Trip 2026

The Orkney Heritage Society annual trip to Eynhallow will be on Monday 27th July 2026 (or the 28th if the weather does not allow on 27th).

Tickets will be available online from 6 June, the link will be posted on the website and on social media.

<https://orkneyheritagesociety.org.uk/>

● **Rousay, Egilsay and** ●
Wyre

 **Sheepdog Trial** 

By kind permission of E. Shortland and C. Rae

Save the Date



More details to follow

Open to all Orkney handlers

Courses to suit all abilities

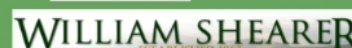
Sheep will be well worked prior to trial

For early enquiries please contact
hannahshell@gmail.com or **07821 282688**

**Location: Trumland
Farm, Rousay**

Lunch will be available at
The Pier Restaurant. Bar
open afterwards
(before last ferry).
Accommodation can be
arranged.

Made possible with generous
support from:



Learn To Sail!

With Rousay Sailing Club



We are looking to gauge interest for learn to sail sessions over the summer.

Perfect For:

Complete Beginners or
Intermediate Sailors

Age 8+

RYA
DISCOVER
SAILING
Get Started

Sessions will start in early June

To register your interest or find out more please
contact:

Katie Joss or Peter Roebuck

Message: 07581036126/ 07488284019

Facebook: Rousay Sailing Club



ROUSAY, EGILSAY & WYRE EVENING SUMMER SAILINGS 2026

SATURDAY JUNE 13th

SATURDAY JULY 11th

SATURDAY AUGUST 8th *

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12th

ROUSAY TO TINGWALL - 22:00

TINGWALL TO ROUSAY - 22:35

ROUSAY TO WYRE & EGILSAY - 23:10

WYRE TO EGILSAY or ROUSAY - 23:20

EGILSAY TO ROUSAY - 23:40

**ALL SAILINGS MUST BE PRE-BOOKED ONLINE
OR BY TELEPHONE. IF THERE ARE NO
BOOKINGS THE SERVICE WILL NOT OPERATE.**

*** COUNTY SHOW DAY**

Thank You

I just want to thank all my friends and neighbours for your kind messages of condolences on the death of Alan and the offers of help.

I am overwhelmed with all the support offered and I may reach out over the coming months as I discover jobs Alan did that, I have no clue on how to do.

Thank you again.

Diana



Rousay Community School would like to thank the Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre Development Trust for their generous support which allowed our P7 pupils to participate in activities delivered on Hoy by the OIC Outdoor Education Team in April.

Pupils who attend learn many outdoor skills, experience the value of teamwork, and challenge themselves; all important values which will follow them throughout their lives.





Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre Development Trust

Company Registration No: SC318527 Charity No: SC040407

REWDT, The Pier Cabin, Rousay, Orkney KW17 2PU Tel: 01856 821229

email: info@rewdt.org website: www.rewdt.org

REW Development Trust AGM June 20th

Please come along to the Trust's Annual General Meeting at the School on Saturday 20th June. There will be many stalls representing a wide range of groups and organisations as well as the Trust. Doors open at 09.30 and the formal business of AGM starts at 11.00. There will be an opportunity for Trust members to stand for election to the Board of Directors. Becoming a Director is an easy process and gives you a chance to help oversee the work of the Trust. If you would like to become a Director please get in touch with Lloyd for an informal chat about what it involves.

Orkney Native Wildlife Project

Stoat confirmed on **Rousay**

Join us for a drop-in session on 1 June to find out more - and learn how you can help!

Monday 1 June
The Pier Cabin, Rousay
13:00pm to 18:00pm

Seen a stoat? Tell us today!

onwp.org/report

01856 881451

REW Development Trust

More Yoga in June!

Yoga sessions with Lisa Croft

Hatha Yoga- Tuesdays 17.30 to 18.30
in the School Hall
Dates: May 26th, June 2nd, 9th, 16th 23rd & 30th

Chair based Yoga- Wednesdays 10 to 10.45
(followed by refreshments) at
The Craffhub at The Space
Dates: May 27th, June 3rd, 17th & 24th
* No Chair Yoga on 10th June

All adults (16yrs+) welcome
Please wear comfy clothes and bring a blanket and a scarf with you and a yoga mat if you have one.

No need to book- just turn up!

For more info email nicky@rewdt.org

Chair yoga is funded by the Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund from VAO & Scottish Government



The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) is a registered charity. England and Wales no. 207576, Scotland no. SC037454.



Wellbeing Essential Oil Workshop
Wednesday 10th June 12-14.30
at The Craithub at The Space

Workshop with Catherine Wells.
 Arts a Flutter/ Forest Bank Therapies.
 Federations of Holistic Therapists. VTCT. ECBS.
 City & Guilds.

Join us at this fun session and learn how to use
 Essential Oils safely in the home.
 See how easy it is to incorporate these natural plants
 extracts into your daily life to enhance your
 wellbeing and make your own mix of oils to take
 home with you.

Free workshop for REW residents, age 16yrs+
 Drinks and bakes will be provided by The Craithub

To book a place email
Nicky@rewdt.org



Funded by the Communities Mental Health &
 Wellbeing Fund from VAO & Scottish Government



Orkney Glass Hut
Fused Glass & Naive Art
 By Liz Rickard

Wellbeing Fused Glass Workshop
with Liz Rickard, Orkney Glass Hut

Thursday 16th July
12.00-15.00 in the
Community Room,
Rousay School

Free for REW residents aged 16yrs+

All equipment is provided

Hot drinks and bakes from Brinian
 Bakes will be available

For more information about
 the workshop and to book a
 place email
nicky@rewdt.org

Website [Orkney Glass Hut | Fused Glass Artists |](#)
[Orkney Islands, United Kingdom](#)
 Facebook [@orkneyglasshut](#)



Funded by the Communities Mental Health
 & Wellbeing Grant from VAO and Scottish
 Government



Join us for a
Beachcomb
& Brainstorm
 with marine biologist Karen Boswarva

A guided beach walk, learning ID'ing skills, with
 lots of time for questions

Followed by

A brainstorming session to discover and discuss local ideas
 for Marine conservation projects. Do you have an idea or
 concern you would like to share with Karen? She has been
 commissioned by NILPs to shortlist 20 projects across
 Orkney. It needn't be planned in great detail, all ideas
 welcomed! You might even come up with an idea on the beach
 walk...

Date: 19th June
 Time: Evening - time TBC
 Where: Meet at the pier

Refreshments
 and light bites
 provided



If you wish to be catered for please RSVP with
 any dietary requirements before 15/06/26
hannah@rewdt.org



Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre
 Development Trust

2026
AGM

Saturday 20th June
 Doors open 09:30, AGM 11:00
 Rousay School Community
 Rooms

RESIDENTS OF EGILSAY & WYRE
 WILL BE PROVIDED WITH FREE FERRY
 TICKETS TO ATTEND THE AGM AND
 ROADSHOW. WE CAN ALSO PROVIDE
 TRANSPORT FROM THE PIER TO THE
 SCHOOL IF REQUIRED.

PLEASE CONTACT
transport@rewdt.org or ring 01856 821229
 BY THURSDAY 11 JUNE 2026, SO WE CAN
 MAKE THE BOOKINGS FOR YOU.

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU THERE.



Community Group Activity Grant Funding

We have helped fund various community group activities over the last 12 months. These group activities are often run by hard working volunteers in our community, and we were delighted to support them through this funding.

Grant funds are now open for new applications this year. If you would like more information, or to apply, please email grants@rewdt.org or call us on 01856 821229.



REWDT Community Group Grant Funding



Some of the group activities we have supported in the last 12 months

If you would like to apply for grant funding to help you run group activities on REW this year, please get in touch.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT - JUNE

SCHEDULED TRIPS

****KIRKWALL**** 4th & 18th

****MARION'S SHOP**** 12th & 26th

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

EMAIL: Communitytransport@rewdt.org

OR LEAVE A VOICEMAIL ON 01856 82122

June

OFFERS



Gel Polish toes
£20 *save £10*



Mini facial and
back, neck and
shoulder massage
£50 *save £10*



Deluxe Pedicure
£30 *save £10*

For more information or
to book an appointment please

CALL



07731428809



Stephen Clackson's Letter from School Place

My 160th monthly missive informing the folk of the North Isles Ward of what I am up to as their councillor.

As we are all too well aware, fuel prices have skyrocketed thanks to the antics in the Middle East perpetrated by the orange-faced man and the man with the lilac-rinse combover. At the General Meeting rounding off the latest meetings cycle, as well as the usual minutes of the previous committee meetings to approve and second, an item had been submitted by the Orkney Ferries Board requesting approval for an immediate 10% surcharge on our inter-island ferry fares to contribute towards the inflated fuel costs. Cognisant of the knock-on impact this would have for our island communities, particularly in terms of increased haulage costs and shop prices, I supported an amendment to defer any surcharge until 1st July, after we have had a chance to engage with the new Scottish Government on additional financial support. Without a way of covering this additional financial burden, we could be faced with a 36% cut in services, which would be an utter disaster for the Isles. It is noteworthy that Government-funded ferry companies such as Northlink and CalMac are not levying surcharges. I asked whether Orkney's buses are putting a surcharge on their fares, and I was told they are not, meaning, if the 10% surcharge is imposed, only the "inter-Isles buses", i.e. our ferries, would be subject to an increase in fares.

Other meetings I have attended in person since my last [Letter](#) include: a regular Orkney Health & Care briefing at School Place; a meeting of the UHI Stakeholder Group at Orkney College; Sanday Development Trust's AGM (at which we were treated to a presentation on the Sanday dune regeneration project); and a meeting of Stronsay Community Council.

At the latter, I was lucky to catch the presentation on the National Islands Plan given by the Plan's Team Leader and the Scottish Government's Islands Communities Policy Advisor. (I had missed their presentation at OIC that morning owing to its coinciding with my being on a ferry travelling between islands—an irony that I hope did not go unnoticed!) Information on the National Islands Plan can be found on the Internet at this URL: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/national-islands-plan-2/> I was there in 2013 at the beginning of the timeline shown on page 5 of the Plan, serving on OIC's Constitutional Reform Working Group. Our then Council Convener (equivalent in function to today's convener and leader combined), Dr Steven Heddle was the lead instigator of the "Our Islands – Our Future" campaign. In the September 2013 issue of my *Letter from School Place*, I reported: "We had a very successful 'Our Islands – Our Future' conference. Speakers included academics, politicians and representatives from Faeroe and Åland."



I received a very hospitable welcome when I travelled (by sea via Westray) to attend the meeting of Papa's community council. The following day, I had a fabulous time at Papa Westray Community School, meeting the staff and the pupils and being given a guided tour. (The photographs above show Headmaster Dr Tim Ross and me outside the School.) I gave the pupils a presentation about the Council and what I do as a councillor, and, after a delicious lunch, showed them some film footage of Reynir, the rescued Sanday otter. I was very impressed with the pupils' engagement and the questions they asked me. Just like she gave the First Minister when he visited in February last year, the school cook, Mrs Rendall kindly provided me with some of her (now famous) chocolate brownies to take home with me. I am available to visit any of the North Isles schools if they would like me to. Just get in touch. Education is one of my main interests, sitting, as I do, on the Education, Communities & Housing Committee, the UHI Orkney Stakeholder Group and the UHI Foundation, and being a fully-registered teacher with the General Teaching Council for Scotland.

The photograph below right shows me after the General Meeting outside the newly-refurbished public entrance to the Council Offices. The ivy has gone, and the green & gold cast-metal Orkney Islands Council plaque is missing! Where is it?

Stephen

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson
Member for the North Isles Ward,
Depute Convener Orkney & Shetland VJB

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available on-line at clackson.info



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