

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS
held in Commissioners Office, Close Corran, Union Mills, Braddan at
7.50pm on
Thursday 31st May 2012

In Attendance:

Mrs M Hodge	Chairman
Mr A Jessopp	Vice Chairman
Mr P Halsall	
Mr J Quaye	
Mr C Slinn	
Mr J C Whiteway	Clerk
Miss M J Radcliffe	Deputy Clerk and Finance Officer

12/186 Apologies

Apologies were received from Miss Radcliffe who was unable to attend due to personal reasons.

12/187 Declaration of Interest

Mr Jessopp declared an interest in 12/211 which relates to a Planning Application 12/00698

12/188 Issue of Summons / Agenda

It was noted that all members had received Summons/Agenda at least three clear days before the date of the meeting.

12/189 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private

There were no matters deferred to a private meeting.

12/190 Questions from Members of the Public

There were no questions from members of the public.

12/191 Minutes of Recent Meetings

The Minutes of the AGM meeting held on Tuesday 25th April 2012 were **unanimously approved** and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

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12/192 Matters Arising**a) Petition of Doleance of Tel's Limited Ref: Minute 12/147b**

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that no further monies from the company and approximately £23500 now remained outstanding.

b) Strang Corner Field Ref: Minute 12/147c

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the on-line public survey was continuing and the feedback seemed to indicate a positive response.

c) Naming of areas of Port Soderick Ref: Minute 12/147d

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Clerk was still awaiting a response from the Company in relation to their business address.

d) Port Soderick Hall- Grass verge ownership Ref: Minute 12/147f

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that, following investigations, it had been clearly determined that the grass verge to the south of the Recreational Hall was owned by the Department of Infrastructure and was a public right of way.

e) Cronk Grianagh Park Ref: Minute 12/171

The Clerk reported the closing date for tenders for the BMX track was 6th June with an expected start date of 25th June.

The Board noted that the Clerk was still investigating opportunities for sponsorship and initial discussions had been held with Dandara who had suggested that they would consider providing assistance with the groundworks.

The Board opened the two tenders for the urban skate park from Bendcrete and Gravity Engineering who were specialists in this area. The Clerk advised that both companies had been advised that the budget for the scheme was £78k , and it was therefore a question of determining the best deal.

After discussion it was **unanimously resolved** to refer the matter to the Community Warden to evaluate both proposals and report back to the Board prior to a Petition to loan monies being submitted.

12/193 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no matters for consideration from Section 2.

Section 1:**12/194 Department of Infrastructure - Consultation on Lower Douglas Master Plan - Draft Interim Planning Guidance for Key Town Centre Sites in Douglas**

It was **unanimously resolved** to advise the Department that the Board had no comments to make on the consultation document.

12/195 Department of Infrastructure – Planning – Lead Member

It was **unanimously resolved** that Mr Slinn would represent the Board on this matter.

12/196 Election Experiences

A discussion was held, in advance of any approach from the Department of Infrastructure, on issues and problems that candidates had experienced with the process during the recent election.

It was clear from the discussions that the major concern was the system for absent voters and it was **unanimously resolved** that the Clerk would advise the Department accordingly and suggesting a revision of the process using polling cards to inform the public about absent voting.

12/197 Invoices for Approval

was **unanimously resolved** to note the authorisation by the Clerk of the following invoices in excess of £2k:

- 21120- J Doyle
- 21131- Ridgeway Gas
- 21138- MEA
- 21141- Dalrymples (payment withheld)

- 12/198 Memorial Hall – Tenancy**
The Clerk reported that Rally Isle of Man had now vacated the premises but they were required to give six months notice. This matter was to be considered further once the timing for the refurbishment of the building had been determined and consideration had been given to using part of the vacant space downstairs for storage
- The Board also considered the valuation given by Chrystal's for commercial letting and it was **unanimously resolved** that this sum was negotiable with any prospective tenants
- 12/199 Manx National Heritage – Consultation of John Donald Collister Bequest**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the Board wished to make no submission on the matter..
- 12/200 Monthly Financial Reports – March 2012**
It was **unanimously resolved** that to note the report of the Finance Officer which was read out by the Clerk in her absence.
- 12/201 Port Soderick Car Park – Boundary Hedge**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.
- 12/202 Review of Affordable Housing**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.
- 12/203 Working with Businesses in the Parish**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.
- 12/204 Criminal Justice, Police Powers and Other Amendments Bill Consultation Document**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.
- 12/205 Isle of Man Government – Accounts Production and the Public Auditors**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.
- 12/206 Housing Report - Annual Review of Planned Maintenance Programme**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.
- 12/207 Alexander Elliot - Internal Audit 2011-12**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.
- 12/208 Local Government Reform**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.
- 12/209 Department of Infrastructure - Presentation by iESE Ltd on Partnerships and Efficiencies in the Public Sector**
It was **unanimously resolved** that the Chairman and Clerk would attend the presentation at 12 noon on 11th June .

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12/210 Property Rentals – TT Fortnight

Careful consideration was given to a report that informed the Board that at least two tenants had vacated their properties over the TT fortnight and had allowed visitors to occupy their houses but were not registered with the Homestay system.

They noted that neither tenants had sought the Commissioners approval, which was technically subletting which could be penalised by the issuing of a notice to quit.

After much deliberation it was **unanimously resolved** that a notice to quit letter would not be issued, but a stern warning would be given and the tenants would be requested to pay the lodgers allowance for each person staying in their home.

Planning**12/211 Planning Applications**

It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.

- PA12 00698 - Mr Andrew Jessopp - Two storey extension to the south west of the existing property to create a new first floor master bedroom and kitchen/lounge at ground floor - Sea Cliff Ballaveare Braddan
- PA12 00728 - Mrs Collette Ker - Single storey ground floor conservatory on the front elevation of the property - 78 Fairways Drive Mount Murray Braddan

12/212 Planning Approvals

It was **unanimously resolved** that the following Planning Approvals would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.

- PA12 00221 B - Vagabonds RUFC - Erection of floodlighting - Vagabonds RUFC Playing Fields Ballafletcher Road Braddan
- PA12 00295 B - Department of Infrastructure - Erection of a single storey extension to provide public entrance waiting room and toilets - Vehicle Test Centre Ballafletcher Road Cronkbourne Braddan
- PA12 00565 B - Mr Robert and Mrs Beverly Cowley - Alterations and erection of a single storey and part two storey extension - 3 Ballamillaghyn Estate Mount Rule Braddan

12/213 Planning Appeal against Approval

It was **unanimously resolved** that the following Planning Appeal would be deferred for consideration at the next meeting.

- PA12 00413 B - Jojay Ltd - Erection of 19 industrial units for a mixed use of general industrial and storage/distribution with associated external works and drainage - Development adjacent to BCS House Peel road Braddan

Section 2**12/214 General Matters**

It was **unanimously resolved** that the content of the correspondence detailed in the Agenda relating to the following issues would be noted:

- i) Rent Arrears
- ii) Rates – Charities Exemption Claim Form
- iii) PA12 00519 B - BPC - Creation of a public car park and vehicular access - Site adjacent to Central Stores Main Road Union Mill
- iv) TT MGP – Prohibited Area Union Mills
- v) Road Transport Licensing Committee

12/215 Date for next meeting

As there were still many items outstanding for consideration a meeting was called for 2pm on Thursday 14th June.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.15 pm.

MA Hodges
.....Signed

14th June 2012
.....Date

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