

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS
held at the Commissioners' Office, Close Corran, Union Mills, Braddan
at 2pm on Thursday 6 September 2018.

In Attendance

Mr A Jessopp	Chairman
Mr N Mellon	Vice Chairman
Miss C Corkill	
Mr D Dentith	
Mr J Quaye	
Mr J C Whiteway	Clerk
Miss M J Radcliffe	Deputy Clerk & Finance Officer

- 18/300 Apologies for absence**
There were no apologies for absence.
- 18/301 Declaration of Interest**
There were no Declarations of Interest.
- 18/302 Issue of Summons / Agenda**
It was noted that all members had received the Summons/Agenda at least three clear days before the date of the meeting.
- 18/303 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private**
It was **unanimously resolved** to defer Item 2 - Tenancy Agreement for signing – Property 212 & Tenant 524 to Private.
- 18/304 Questions from the Public**
The Chairman welcomed Mr Ewan Gawne from Manx Radio to the meeting. Various issues were discussed, including Rating Reform. The time being 3pm, the Chairman welcomed Mr Shimmins MHK to the meeting. Topics discussed included the Area Plan for the East, Rating Reform, the Director of Public Health, Play Streets, a Walking Bus and the TT Access Road. The Chairman thanked him for attending and at 4.10pm, Mr Shimmins left the meeting.
- 18/305 Minutes of Recent Meetings**
The Minutes of the Public Meeting held on Thursday 2 August 2018 were unanimously approved as a correct record of proceedings.
- 18/306 Matters Arising**
- (a) Draft Area Plan for the East – Minute 18/289**
It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Commissioners' response to the Consultation on the Draft Area Plan for the East had been submitted to the Cabinet Office on Friday 31 August.
- (b) Sale of Shipping Container from Unit 41**
It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the shipping container from Unit 41, Snugborough Trading Estate had been sold to Ian Henderson.
- (c) Parish Boundary**
It was **unanimously resolved** to await a meeting with Douglas Borough Council to discuss Boundary issues relating to street lighting and grass maintenance.

(d) Rates Discounts – Minute 18/290

The Finance Officer advised that the decision by the Board had been accepted by the relevant parties.

18/307 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no matters for consideration from Section 2.

18/308 Chairman's Announcement

The Chairman advised that a public meeting had been arranged at the Manx Legion Hall on Monday 10 September where a presentation was to be given by Zero Waste Scotland.

Section 1**18/309 Invoices for approval**

It was **unanimously resolved** to approve the following invoices in excess of £2k that required the authorisation of the Board:-

- 4012 – Douglas Borough Council
- PO12 - Purchase of Unit 12, Middle Park – Dandara
- PO12 - Purchase of Unit 12, Middle Park – Callin Wild
- 4034 – Pringle Law
- 4024 – SMP Accounting & Tax Ltd
- 4059 – Curtins Consulting Ltd
- 4054 – Evolution Accounting Ltd
- 4053 – J Clawson Ltd
- 3707 – J Doyle Plumbing & Heating Ltd
- 3716 – Hanley & Bell Ltd
- 4070 – Highways Development & Support Ltd
- 4071 – Kay Associates Ltd
- 4075 – Douglas Borough Council Ltd

18/310 Public Sector Rent Setting – 2019/2020

The Commissioners considered a letter Mrs Deborah Reeve, Director of the Public Estates and Housing Division, requesting the Authority's input to the annual Public Sector rent setting process.

It was **unanimously resolved** to accept the proposal of a 3.5% increase in Public Sector rents and to support a process where the rents are set for a 5 year period in advance.

18/311 Water bottle filler – Heritage Trail

The Commissioners considered a report from the Clerk advising of potential costs in the region of £5000 to provide a water bottle filler on the Heritage Trail for pedestrians and cyclists.

It was **unanimously resolved** that it was felt to be too expensive and the Board would not proceed any further with the scheme.

18/312 Petition – Braddan Parish Commissioners – Sale of Unit 41, Snugborough Trading Estate

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that that approval had been received to sell Unit 41. The Clerk advised that the sale was in the hands of their legal advisers, Callin Wild.

18/313 Abandoned Vehicles

Consideration was given to the Community Warden's Report which advised



that the Department had removed the ability of local authorities to obtain ownership details from the Vehicle Licensing section which had been previously used to trace the owner before the vehicle was removed.

It was their opinion that Local Authorities should simply remove vehicles after a 7 Day Notice, with no attempt to find the owner.

The Warden stated that this could put the Authority at risk and the Board agreed.

It was **unanimously resolved** to advise the Department that in the light of the this evidence the Authority would no longer be involved with abandoned vehicles and would refer any to the Department of Infrastructure.

18/314 Hedge Cutting Contract – Tenders

The Commissioners considered a report from the Clerk regarding the recent tender process for the Hedge and Verge Cutting contract.

It was **unanimously resolved** to award a three year contract to Equi-Ag Limited with the option to renew for a further 2 years.

18/315 Marown Parish Commissioners' Civic Service

Consideration was given to an invitation from the Chairman of Marown Parish Commissioners to attend their Civic Service on Sunday 30 September 2018.

It was **unanimously resolved** the Board would send their apologies as unfortunately no one was available to attend on behalf of the Board.

18/316 Permission to metal detect – Strang Corner Field

The Commissioners considered a request from a resident seeking permission to metal detect on Strang Corner Field

It was **unanimously resolved** that permission would be granted to Mr James Collier.

18/317 Proposed Apartments – Snugborough Farm – Stage I2 Report

Consideration was given to a Stage I2 Report that had recently been received from the Design Team.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note the I1 & I2 Reports for Snugborough Flats and that the closing date for Tenders was 6th October 2018.

18/318 Union Mills Car Park – Proposed height restriction

The Commissioners considered a proposal from Mr Quaye to adopt a height restriction for the car park next to the Spar Shop to prevent commercial vehicles from using it.

It was **unanimously resolved** to cost out the purchase and installation of a height barrier for the entrance to the car park and also to install a sign next to the disabled parking space.

18/319 Memorial Hall Collection Boxes – TT & FOM 2018

Consideration was given to a Housing Officer's report regarding the charity collection boxes that are put out during the periods of practice and race weeks.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the total raised in 2018 was £658.30 which would be split equally between the Rob Vine Fund and the TT Riders

Association at a presentation to be held at the next Commissioners' meeting on 20 September.

Planning

18/320 Planning Applications

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Commissioners had no objections to the following Planning Applications:-

- PA18/00548/B – Progress Shaving Brush (Vulfix) Ltd – Erection of an industrial unit – Cronkbourne Business Park, Ballafletcher Farm Road, Cronkbourne, Braddan – AMENDED PLANS.
- PA18/00838 – Mr & Mrs F Guthrie – Erection of detached double garage – Rose Hill Lodge, Richmond Hill, Braddan, IM4 1JG
- PA18/00648/B – Cu-Plas Callow Limited – Alterations and formation of a covered loading bay area (amendment to PA17/00632b) – Unit 18, Snugborough Trading Estate, Union Mills, Braddan, IM4 4LH – AMENDED PLANS
- PA18/00863/B – Mr P Beckett & Dr L Stone – Alterations to existing first floor balcony and ground level terrace, including installation of decking, new pergola and new external staircase - Silver Creek House, 12 Cronk Road, Union Mills, Braddan, IM4 4NJ
- PA18/00877/B – Mr A Bath – Replacement single storey conservatory – Glengarth, Port Soderick Glen, Braddan, IM4 1BE
- PA18/00883/B – Mr S D Rawnsley – Erection of storage shed for agricultural equipment - Field 521615, Leece Lodge, The Strang.
- PA18/00886/B – Mr M Freestone – Erection of first floor extensions to provide additional living accommodation – Rosehill Farm, Richmond Hill, Braddan, IM4 1JG
- PA18/00917/B – Miss J France – Erection of a front porch to replace existing canopy – 10 Ballanawin, The Strang, Braddan, IM4 4NR

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Commissioners would object to the following Planning Application due to the fact that there was only limited car parking available at Braddan School and that the Department had other vacant sites that could be utilised for bus parking, such as the Vehicle Test Centre at Ballafletcher:-

- PA18/00815/B – Department of Infrastructure, Transport Services – Additional use of school car park for the parking of up to four minibuses – Braddan School, Braddan Road, IM4 4TQ

18/321 Planning Approvals

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Commissioners would note the following Planning Approval:-

- PA18/00317/B - Carrie Ann O'Hara - Erection of raised decking area to rear of property (retrospective) - 7 Close Y Locker Union Mills, Braddan, Isle Of Man IM4 4LX

18/322 Planning Refusals

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Commissioners would note the following Planning Refusal:-

- PA18/00497/A – Mr P Doyle – Approval in principle for the construction of five dwellings to replace existing workshop and two existing dwellings addressing means of access – Woodstock, Vicarage Road, Braddan, IM4 2QP

18/323 Planning Appeals

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Commissioners would note the

following Planning Appeal:-

- PA18/00117/B – Mr & Mrs J Bentley – Appeal against the refusal of the alterations and the erection of first floor extension to existing studio apartment – Garage, Poyl Breck, East Baldwin, Braddan.

Private

18/324 Tenancy Agreement for signing – Property 212 & Tenant 524

The Commissioners considered a Tenancy Agreement for Property 212 and Tenant 524.

It was **unanimously resolved** to execute the tenancy agreement on behalf of the Authority.

18/325 General Matters

It was **unanimously resolved** to note the following items in Section 2:-

- Rates Income Report – 1 August 2018
- Modernising the Post Office – Public Consultation
- Draft Area Plan for the East – Copy Submissions

18/326 Any Other Business

a) Cronkbourne Village

The Clerk advised that following research, the likely owner of the roadway at Cronkbourne Village had been determined. The descendant of William Fine Moore had been contacted and it was agreed to enter into negotiations to purchase the land.

b) Draft Area Plan for the East – TT Access Road

The Board expressed their concerns over the traffic blockages on the TT Access Road during periods of racing when the TT Course was closed. It was thought no further development within the TT Course should be permitted until the issues with access had been sufficiently addressed.

c) ISB Summer Slam

The Chairman reported that the ISB Summer Slam, held on Saturday 18 August had been well attended and was an enjoyable event for everyone.

18/328 Date for Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set at:-

2pm on Thursday 20 September 2018

2pm on Thursday 4 October 2018

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 4.30pm.

Signed 

Date 20/9/18