

**MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS**  
**held at the Commissioners' Office, Close Corran, Union Mills, Braddan**  
**at 2pm on Thursday 21 February 2019.**

**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

**19/067 Apologies for absence**

There were no apologies received.

**19/068 Declaration of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

**19/069 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.

**19/070 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private**

There were no matters deferred to Private.

**19/071 Questions from the Public**

At 2pm the Chairman welcomed Mr Leslie Foster to the meeting.

Mr Foster, being a nearby resident of Church View, was concerned over a number of issues relating to Braddan Road and asked if the Commissioners were in a position to assist in resolving them.

In particular Mr Foster put forward the lack of a pedestrian crossing outside the school, the poor width and tidiness of the pavement and crumbling walls leaning over the pavement.

Mr Shimmins MHK joined the meeting at 2.10pm and discussions continued on the road safety issues.

Mr Shimmins explained that he had raised various issues with Mr Ray Harmer MHK for the Department of Infrastructure including Braddan Road and invited Mr Foster and the Commissioners to a meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm at Braddan School. Mr Foster was thanked for his attendance and left the meeting at 2.25 pm.

The Commissioners then discussed with Mr Shimmins the general issues of speed in the Parish, and he suggested that the Clerk contact the Road Traffic section of the police to advise them of their areas of concern. Mr Shimmins hoped that with the increased funding that increased the staffing levels would allow them to do more speed monitoring.

The Commissioners also discussed the rate review, the potential for local authority reform and the impact of the recent budget.

Mr Shimmins reminded the Commissioners of his political surgery on 30<sup>th</sup> March at the Memorial Hall, and then left the meeting at 3pm.

**19/072 Minutes of Recent Meetings**

The Minutes of the Public Meeting held on Thursday 7 February 2019 were unanimously approved as a correct record of proceedings.

**19/073 Matters Arising****a) Data Protection Officer : Minute 19/065**

The Clerk advised that after correspondence with Santon Commissioners it had been agreed that he would undertake the role of Data Protection Officer for that Authority.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Clerk had already commenced working with Mr Benson to ensure that the Authority was compliant with the legislation.

**19/074 Matters for Consideration from Section 2**

There were no matters for consideration from Section 2.

**19/075 Chairman's Announcement**

There was no Chairman's Announcement.

**19/076 Section 1****Invoices for approval**

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

- 4631 Evolution Accounting
- 4632 Evolution Accounting
- 4650 DoI Tipping charges EFWP

**19/077 Bus Shelters – Cooil Road**

Consideration was given to a report from the Clerk with regard to the purchase and installation of two new shelters, one on each side of Cooil Road.

The Board considered quotes for the supply and delivery of the shelters, and then the installation.

It was **unanimously resolved** to purchase the shelters from BC Shelters for a price of £7283 including delivery.

The Clerk advised that he was finding it difficult to obtain tenders for the work and to date had only received one

It was therefore **unanimously resolved** to progress the scheme but to seek a further price but the maximum installation being no more than the £6524.

**19/078 Refurbishment of Heritage Trail – Department of Infrastructure**

It was **unanimously resolved** to note the Department were proposing to make a public order to widen the legal width of the footpath along the Heritage Trail from Union Mills to Peel.

**19/079 IOM Construction Federation – Manx Accredited Construction Contractors Scheme (MACCS)**

The Board considered a letter from the Federation asking for a meeting to discuss the future of the MACCS.

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Clerk would arrange to attend a meeting.

**19/080 Height Barrier – Union Mills car park**

The Commissioners considered a report from the Clerk regarding an approach he had received from a member of the public whose adapted vehicle for the disabled, was too tall to fit under the existing height restriction and was asking if it could be raised to its maximum height of 2.5m.

The Commissioners understood the problem but were concerned that if the barrier was raised it would negate its purpose and would allow larger vehicles into the park and these were damaging the tarmac and walls and restricting the availability of spaces as they often too big for one space.

They noted that the that the vehicle in question, standing at 2.5m, was much larger than any previously seen, but the barrier was not deterring other persons who could avail themselves of the disabled space at the car park.

After a lengthy debate it was **unanimously resolved** to keep the barrier height at 2.1m.

**19/081 Extension to Landscaping/Gardening Contract 2019/2020**

The Commissioners considered a report from the Clerk regarding a proposed extension to the present gardening contract.

The Clerk advised that the contract was due to expire, but there was a need for a full review of its terms, and he advised that it would be prudent to extend it for a further year to allow sufficient time to undertake a detailed analysis.

It was **unanimously resolved** to extend the contract for one further year.

**19/082 Appointment of QS – Refurbishment of 1 Jubilee Terrace**

The Commissioners considered a report from the Clerk seeking their approval to appoint Robert Graham Ltd to plan and manage the work required on the property which required extensive refurbishment.

The Chairman asked that the use of alternative heating sources other than gas be thoroughly examined.

It was **unanimously resolved** to accept the fee proposal of £4000 and appoint the company.

**Planning****19/083 Planning Applications**

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

- PA19/00104/B – Isle Learn Limited – Conversion of unit to enable storage and maintenance of medical equipment and creation of training facilities – Unit 2, Block D, Eden Business Park, Braddan, IM4 2AY.

**19/084 Planning Approvals**

It was **unanimously resolved** to note the following Planning Approvals:-

- PA18/01313/B - Transmann Limited - Alterations and erection of a canopy roof extension over loading bay area - The Second Milestone, Transmann Depot, Peel Road, Braddan, Isle Of Man, IM4 4LE
- PA18/01089/B - Union Mills F.C. - Erection of tractor storage shed - Union Mills Football Club Ballaoates Road, Strang, Braddan, Isle Of Man, IM4 4TE

**19/085 General Matters**

1. Mr Mellon advised that he was progressing with the idea of a Junior Commissioner meeting and whilst Braddan School had expressed an interest, he was awaiting a response from Ballacottier.

**19/086 Any Other Business**

1. Shared Eastern Housing Waiting List
2. Schedule of Rent Arrears – Weeks 45 & 47
3. Complaint – Tenant
4. TT Course Prohibited & Restricted Areas - 2019

**19/087 Date for Next Meeting**

The date for the next meetings were set at:-

14<sup>th</sup> March 2019

28<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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

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Date ..... 14/3/19 .....