

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS
held at the Commissioners' Office, Close Corran, Union Mills, Braddan
at 2pm on Thursday 5 September 2019.

In Attendance

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

19/349 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Quaye and Mr Mellon as both were off the island.

19/350 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

19/351 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.

19/352 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private

It was agreed that Item 9, Tenancy Agreements for signing – Tenant 059 & Property 528, Tenant 138 & Property 529 would be deferred to a Private meeting.

19/353 Questions from the Public

3.15pm – The Chairman welcomed Mr Robert Graham a Quantity Surveyor from Robert Graham Associates to the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the various options for renewable energy for 1 Jubilee Terrace.

It was unanimously **resolved** that Mr Graham would seek further advice on possible solutions such as an air source heat pump with underfloor heating downstairs, and radiators above, in conjunction with solar panels on the roof, but a decision would have to be made if they were to be photo voltaic or purely for hot water.

19/354 Minutes of previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 15 July 2019 were **unanimously approved** as a correct record of proceedings.

19/355 Matters Arising**(i) Acoustics – Memorial Hall**

It was **unanimously resolved** to explore the costs of applied acoustic materials gable ends of the hall to try to improve the sound quality.

(ii) Strang Corner Field & Lewin - Bankruptcy

It was **unanimously resolved** to retain both the above headings as static items on future agendas.

(iii) Pot Holes – Injebreck (West Baldwin) and Crogga (Old Castletown Road)

Mr Dentith and the Chairman both raised the poor state of the roads near Injebreck in the Baldwins and Crogga on the Old Castletown Road.

It was **unanimously resolved** to contact the Department of Infrastructure.

(iv) Mannin Infirmary Site

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that a Notice to Vacate had been served on Stephen Christian and Sons Ltd.

19/356 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no Matters for Consideration from Section 2.

19/357 Chairman's Announcement

There was no Chairman's Announcement.

19/358 Environmental Issues**(i) Repair Café**

The Deputy Clerk reported that an email had been sent to the organisers of the Repair Café, inviting them to hold an event in the Memorial Hall, but no response had been received.

(ii) Beach Buddies

Ms Corkill enquired if the Board could work with Beach Buddies to identify any areas in the parish that would be suitable for a litter pick.

The Deputy Clerk requested that members let her know if they were aware of any suitable locations.

(iii) Hedge Cutting – Lhergy Cripperty

Mr Dentith enquired if the Lhergy Cripperty was due to be flailed soon.

The Deputy Clerk advised that the contractor had been told to finish the hedge cutting and all areas earmarked in the parish would be completed shortly.

19/359 Mullen Doway – Update

A number of issues were raised by Board members following their earlier site visit. It was **unanimously resolved** that the Deputy Clerk would bring them to the attention of the contractor

Section 1**19/360 Invoices for approval**

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

5276 – Cedar
 5315 – March Consultants
 5317 – Bell Burton
 5318 – Ellis Brown
 5164 – Argon IT Services
 5240 – Joe Doyle Plumbing & Heating
 5341 – Mullen Consulting Ltd
 5348 - Joe Doyle Plumbing & Heating
 5349 – Department of Infrastructure
 5351 – J Clawson Ltd
 5359 – Douglas Borough Council

19/361 Complaint – Mullen Doway

At 2pm the Chairman welcomed to the meeting the residents who had made a complaint regarding the building works at Mullen Doway.

Discussion took place, and it was **unanimously resolved** to note the complaints and to work more closely with the contractors and improve future communication with residents to avoid the same happening in future.

19/362 Reform of the Planning System – Consultation

The Chairman welcomed Mr Steve Butler, Planning Policy Officer at the Cabinet Office, in relation to the recent Consultation on Reform of the Planning System.

Mr Butler explained that a Planning Action Plan was laid before Tynwald on 15 May

2018. It included a commitment to make changes to the existing Town and Country Planning Act, 1999. A Planning Bill has been produced and has been supported by both branches of Tynwald. It is currently awaiting Royal Assent and it is envisaged it will be brought back to Tynwald before the end of the year. This consultation seeks views in relation to a number of pieces of secondary legislation which are required to implement the changes.

Lengthy discussion took place and it was **unanimously resolved** to thank Mr Butler for attending the meeting.

3.15pm Mr Butler left the meeting.

19/363 Street Lighting - Mullen Doway

Discussion took place and it was **unanimously resolved** to defer this issue until the next meeting of the Commissioners.

19/364 Former Sewerage Treatment Plant – Union Mills – offered for sale

Consideration was given to correspondence from the Government Valuer, Mr Chris Heginbotham regarding the former Sewerage Treatment Plant at Union Mills.

Mr Heginbotham confirmed that the site was still available for the Commissioners to purchase at a preferential rate to the authority.

It was **unanimously resolved** to agree to purchase the site as an area for future development.

19/365 Entry to IOM Newspaper Awards

It was **unanimously resolved** to consider the draft entry at the Board's leisure and to contact the Deputy Clerk with any additional wording or alterations.

19/366 Woodland Management Plan – Phase 4 – Fee quote

The Commissioners considered a report from the Research and Development Officer giving details of a recent onsite meeting she had had with Jane Prescott of Prescott Associates Ltd regarding the Woodland Management Plan, together with a fee quote for the next phase of works.

It was **unanimously resolved** to accept the fee quote and note the content of the report.

19/367 Area Plan for the East – Revised timetable – September

The Commissioners considered a revised timetable for the Public Inquiry into the latest phase of the Area Plan for the East.

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Chairman would attend every day where Braddan would be on the agenda and the Vice Chairman would attend the Inquiry when she was available.

19/368 IOM Municipal Association – Hedge Cutting

Consideration was given to an email from the Secretary to the Municipal Association and Dr Richard Selman, Ecosystem Policy Director of DEFA, requesting a meeting between the Manx Nature Conservation Forum & and the Municipal Association to discuss hedge and grass verge management.

After discussion it was **unanimously resolved** to note the correspondence and advise the Municipal Association that the Board would support a meeting with Dr Selman as the Commissioners were already making efforts to protect wildlife and habitats from unnecessary cutting.

19/369 Coronation Community Garden – Deputy Clerk to Report

Consideration was given to correspondence from a representative from local charities requesting if the Board would agree in principle to them using the Community Garden at Coronation Terrace.

It was **unanimously resolved** to confirm that subject to further discussion, the Board would have no objection in principle to charities using the garden.

Planning**19/370 Planning Applications**

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

- PA19/00896/B – Ballafletcher Estate Ltd – Location of a shipping container to house a bailing machine (retrospective) – Central Creamery , Ballafletcher Farm Road, Cronkbourne, IM4 4QE
- PA19/00919/B – Isle of Man Development Company Limited – Installation of roof solar panels to south west elevation – 1 Cooil Road, Braddan, IM4 2AF
- PA19/00946/B – Jean Carol Middleton - Erection of summer house in rear garden – 4 Cronk Drine, Union Mills, Braddan, Isle of Man IM4 4NG

19/371 Planning Approvals

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

- PA19/00779/B - Mr Alex & Mrs Kate Freeman - Alterations and erection of extension to dwelling - 9 River Walk, Braddan, Isle Of Man, IM4 4TJ
- PA19/00793/B - Mr Bo Larsen - Alterations, installation of external doors, roof lights and extension of patio area - Kilkenny Cottage, Colooneys Lane, Cooil, Braddan, Isle Of Man, IM4 2AG

19/372 Section 2

1. Schedule of Rent Arrears
2. Poker Stars Rally – 8 & 9 November 2019 – Advance notice of road closures
3. Union Mills Rainbows – use of Memorial Hall
4. Pictorial Meadow – Ballacottier Meadow – Responses
5. Response to Braddan Queries at Municipal Association Meeting
6. Rate Arrears Reports
7. Invitation to PAG Meeting re: 5G

Private**19/373 Tenancy Agreements for signing**

The Commissioners considered the following Tenancy Agreements:-

- Property 059 and Tenant 528
- Property 138 and Tenant 529

It was **unanimously resolved** to execute both Tenancy Agreements on behalf of the Authority.

19/374 Date for Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set for:-

3 October 2019

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 6pm.

Signed 

Date 3/10/19

CHAIRMAN'S INITIALS

