

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS
using internet conferencing
at 2pm on Thursday 26 March 2020.

In Attendance

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

20/177 Chairmans announcement

The Chairman raised the issue that the meeting was being held “virtually” over the internet due to the Coronavirus pandemic that had reached the island.

Government directions had led to residents having to either self-isolate or allow for social distancing which would have made a normal face to face meeting impractical.

In these unprecedented circumstances and having considered Schedule 1 (4) of the Local Government Act 1985 the Chairman determined it was acceptable to meet in this fashion and to proceed with business whilst allowing the authority to function with the Clerk using the delegated powers contained in the Standing Orders.

20/178 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

20/179 Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

20/180 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.

20/181 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private

There were no matters deferred to Private.

20/182 Minutes of previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 26 March 2020 were **unanimously approved** as a correct record of proceedings.

20/183 Matters Arising

(i) Area Plan for the East – Minute: 20/162

(ii)Accommodation for the Homeless – Minute: 20/169

20/184 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no items for consideration

20/185 Questions from Members of the Public

There were no questions from the public.

- 20/186 Environmental Issues**
There were no matters for discussion.
- 20/187 Lewin – Bankruptcy**
There was no further update on this matter as the Clerk was still awaiting advice from Mr Mitchell.
- 20/188 Mullen Doway – Update**
It was **unanimously resolved** to note that due to Covid 19, the site had been shut down.
- 20/189 Strang Corner Field – Update**
It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the tender submission date had been moved to 6th April 2020 and that the tenders would be opened via Skype video conference.

Section 1

- 20/190 Invoices for approval**
It was **unanimously resolved** to approve the following invoices in excess of £2k that required the authorisation of the Board:
Ellis Brown
Cedar Developments
Evolution Accounting Ltd
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- 20/191 Payment of Rates 2020/2021**
Consideration was given to a copy of a letter from Treasury that was to be accompany their rate demands this year, advising that the government would be sympathetic to residents who were struggling financially.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note the document and to keep this item on the agenda for future discussion.
- 20/192 Local Authority Rent Increase 2020/2021**
It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the annual Public Sector Rent increase, agreed by the Council of Ministers (?!)/Cabinet Officer??? was going to be implemented from 1st April 2020.
- 20/193 Contracts – for discussion**
It was
It was **unanimously resolved** to
- 20/194 Green Waste Collection – for discussion**
The Clerk reported that the Cabinet Office had advised that at this stage they did not intend to vary the response date to the consultation from 14th April 2020.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Chairman agreed to contact Mrs Brown at the Cabinet Office to discuss the matter further,
- 20/195 Street light switching times – BST – Manx Utilities**
The Authority had been advised that due to the pandemic, Manx Utilities would not be able to manually change the older style clocks that controlled some of the street lights until a later date.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the appropriate changes would be made when Manx Utilities were able.

20/196 Insurance Policy Renewals

Consideration was given to the Renewal Documents from the Commissioners' Insurance Brokers.

It was **unanimously resolved** to approve the Renewal Documents and advise Aon.

20/197 Recycling KPIs

Consideration was given to a report from the Finance Officer on the latest Recycling Key Performance Indicators.

It was **unanimously resolved** to

20/198 Covid 19 – Waste Management – Advice for Local Authorities

Consideration was given to correspondence from the Department of Infrastructure regarding

It was **unanimously resolved** to

20/199 Covid 19 – Maintenance of Green Spaces

Consideration was given to correspondence from the Department of Infrastructure regarding

It was **unanimously resolved** to

Planning

20/200 Planning Applications

It was **unanimously resolved** to advise the Planning Committee that the Board had no objections to the planning applications below:-

- PA20/00297/B - Erection of external bar/servery in existing beer garden (retrospective) - Railway Inn Main Road Union Mills Isle Of Man IM4 4NE
- PA20/00323/B - Erection of a vehicle testing facility with associated access and landscaping - Part Field 524881 And Land Adjacent Industrial Estate Ballafletcher Road Cronkbourne Douglas Isle Of Man
- PA20/00324/B - Change of use from storage, distribution, and general industrial use (Classes 2.3 and 2.4) to include additional retail use (class 1.1) - Unit 14 Cooil Smithy Isle Of Man Business Park Douglas Isle Of Man IM2 2QA

20/201 Any Other Business

20/202 Section 2

There were no matters for consideration under Section 2

20/203 Date for Next Meeting

The date for the next meetings was set for:-

9 April 2020

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

Signed

Date