

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS
using internet conferencing
at 2pm on Thursday 7 May 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
Mr P Parker	Community Warden

20/287 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

20/288 Declaration of Interest

Mr Quaye declared an interest in the item related to the Union Mills Sewage Works.

20/289 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.

20/290 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private

There were no matters deferred to Private.

20/291 Minutes of previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meetings held on Thursday 30 April 2020 were **unanimously approved** as a correct record of proceedings.

20/292 Matters Arising

(i) Union Mills Sewage Works Minute: 20/250(i)

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Chairman had issued an email to Dr Allinson, Chairman MUA, and was waiting a response.

(ii) Area Plan for the East: Minute 20/250 (ii)

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Chairman would draft a response to the Cabinet Offices document and would circulate it prior to it being submitted.

(iii) Heritage Trail fencing: Minute 20/262

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that tenders for the work were awaited.

20/293 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no items for consideration

20/294 Questions from Members of the Public

There were no questions from members of the public

20/295 Environmental Issues

There were no matters for discussion.

20/296 Lewin – Bankruptcy

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that Mr Mitchell had advised that he was in contact with Mr Lewin's partner and was attempting to obtain a copy of Mr Lewin's will. He was hopeful for an early a resolution and would keep the Commissioners updated.

20/297 Mullen Doway – Update

The Clerk reported that the contractor had commenced work and was hoping to be fully operational within the next two weeks.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the contractor had stated that in the present circumstances he could not agree with all the Commissioners visiting the site, but arrangements had been made for one of the Commissioners to have an accompanied visit.

20/298 Strang Corner Field – Update

A lengthy discussion was held on the matter during which it was agreed that, if savings could be found, it would not be acceptable to reduce either the standards of the building or the ethos of the project just so it progressed.

It was accepted that the £7m price tag was not achievable using their own resources and that external financial assistance would be required.

There was also a debate about what the new “norm” in society would be if the building was completed in the next two years, and whether people would be allowed to gather in large groups which is why the project had been developed.

It was **unanimously resolved** to seek the advice of the Department of Infrastructure before a final decision on the project would be made.

Section 1

20/299 Invoices for approval

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

- J Doyle
- B&R Consulting Engineers

20/300 Payment of Rates – 2020/21

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the payment of rates was continuing in the similar pattern to previous years and the matter should be removed from future agendas unless a problem arose.

20/301 Waste – Covid 19

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the refuse contractor had not highlighted any problems, but the Clerk wished it be recorded that a number of letters and emails had been received praising the work they were doing and the way it was being done.

The Clerk also advised that Douglas Corporation were hopeful for an early resumption of the Kerbside Recycling service.

It was **unanimously resolved** to await further details.

20/302 AGM 2020 – Advice from Local Government Unit

Consideration was given to an email from Stephen Willoughby, Local Government Unit, DoI suggesting that local authorities delay their Annual General Meeting to allow them time to issue important guidance to assist Local Authorities during this Coronavirus Proclamation Period.

It was **unanimously resolved** to delay setting the date for the AGM until later in the month

20/303 Provision of Green Waste Service – for discussion

Despite the Civic Amenity site having recently been opened, the possibility of having green collection services in areas in the Parish was discussed.

It was felt that it may help to reduce the amount of travel of residents to the Amenity Site, and where they would be waiting as lengthy queues were being experienced due to the new handling protocols.

It was **unanimously resolved** to investigate the matter.

20/304 Consultant fee proposals – Cronk Grianagh Park Toilets

Consideration was given to fee proposals for both a Planning Supervisor and Structural Engineer for the project.

On the basis of the lowest price it was **unanimously resolved** to appoint Safety Net Ltd and Manx Structural Solutions.

20/305 Union Mills Football Club – Lease Charges

The Clerk advised that all leases and sub-leases for Garey Mooar were due for renewal and the documents stated reviews of the rental should commence on 12th May 2020.

It was noted that in 2019 the Department of Health had advised of their intention to increase the rent to the Commissioners for their 11.3 acres of land to £1500 per annum for the next three years.

It was **unanimously resolved** to accept this increase from the Department and agreed that the Clerk should commence negotiations with Union Mills FC who were their tenant of the Commissioners 13.2 acres of land, and Union Mills FC and Mr and Mrs Leece who were sub-tenants to the Commissioners of the Departments 11.3 acres of land.

Planning

20/306 Planning Applications

It was **unanimously resolved** that there was no objection to the following Planning Applications:-

- PA20/00058/D - RL360 - Installation of illuminated information signage - Left Hand Side Of Entrance To International House Isle Of Man Business Park Braddan Isle Of Man - Comment required - Additional Information. *The Commissioners were satisfied with the proposal that the lights should be controlled by a timer ensuring that they were switched off during the hours of 10pm and 6pm, and that there is a condition in any approval that they are operated in a manner in accordance with the details supplied in the application.*
- PA20/00426/B - Creation of an additional rear window - 29 Brecken Bank, Tromode Woods, Braddan, Isle Of Man, IM4 4TS

20/307 Planning Approvals

There were no Planning Approvals to discuss.

20/308 Section 2

1. Rent Arrears

20/309 Any Other Business

There were no matters for consideration

20/310 Date of Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set for:-

14th May 2020

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 3.15 pm.

Signed

Date