

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS
using internet conferencing
at 2pm on Thursday 14 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

20/311 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

20/312 Declaration of Interest

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

20/313 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.

20/314 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private

There were no matters deferred to Private.

20/315 Minutes of previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meetings held on Thursday 7 May 2020 were **unanimously approved** as a correct record of proceedings.

20/316 Matters Arising

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

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Chairman had not received any response from the MUA although he understand the chairmanship of the Authority had recently changed.

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

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Commissioners response had been submitted to the Cabinet Office who had acknowledged receipt.

(iii) Heritage Trail fencing: Minute 20/262

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the quotes were still awaited.

iv) Garey Mooar lease charges

The Clerk advised that he had issued correspondence to both sub-tenants, Union Mills FC and Mr & Mrs Leece and it was **unanimously resolved** to await a response.

20/317 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no items for consideration

20/318 Questions from Members of the Public

There were no questions from members of the public

20/319 Environmental Issues

There were no matters for discussion.

20/320 Lewin – Bankruptcy

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that there were no further developments.

20/321 Mullen Doway – Update

Mr Dentith reported back to the Board, his findings after a recent site visit. He stated that he was very pleased with the work to date despite the constraints they were under due to the pandemic, although in his opinion the site could be a bit tidier.

The work on the sewers was progressing, the footings had been installed for Block C, the lift shaft was now in Block B and he had been assured that the cement on the facing brickwork would be cleaned away.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note Mr Dentith's feedback.

20/322 Strang Corner Field – Update

The Clerk reported that he had contacted the Department of Infrastructure to seek their opinion on the future of the project.

He had advised them that the Commissioners were not in a position to meet the £7m tender price and that there was a concern that the funding model they had used for the project, based on high usage and large gatherings, reflected the way society and social life worked at the inception of the project.

However no one knew what the new "norm" would be and whether the funding model would still work.

The Commissioners had wondered if central government was looking for larger schemes to re-invigorate the economy after the pandemic and this project was ready to go. Also, it could be seen as a scheme that was in the national interest with a modern facility that would be an attraction, and facilities that may aid in the recruitment of staff for the hospital which was often difficult.

The Clerk stated that he had asked for the Departments feedback on these issues and whether they felt it was a scheme that be financially supported by Central Government.

It was **unanimously resolved** to await feedback from the Department.

Section 1

20/323 Invoices for approval

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

- IDG Ltd
- Straight Manufacturing Ltd

20/324 Waste – Covid 19

The Clerk advised that the refuse contractor was not reporting any problems.

He also put forward for consideration a contract from Douglas Corporation for the Kerbside Collection Service which had not been able to start on 1st April due to the pandemic and the issue around essential services and social distancing rules. They were now able to start the week commencing 25th May, but initially on a limited service of just collecting glass and metal for perhaps the first four weeks.

The choice of materials was questioned and the Chairman stated that if they wished to only choose two items, then perhaps they should be glass and paper. A lengthy discussion was

held on the matter and it was **unanimously resolved** to contact Douglas to ask for the justification of the choice of materials, whilst accepting that an early decision was required, if residents were going to be advised of the new start date.

A discussion was then held on a green waste collection service which was a matter raised at the previous meeting.

The Clerk advised that he had spoken to two contractors who were either not interested or could not respond as quickly as the Commissioners would like.

However, he had determined that their existing refuse contractor Kinrade Bros Haulage Ltd was in a position to quickly provide a service similar to the one they presently provide to Marown Commissioners.

The proposal was for a refuse vehicle to be parked in Braddan School car park for a period of 2 hours, on a weekend day, every fortnight for the summer months. The Clerk was asked to confirm with the school that this was acceptable.

The Board considered a report from the Finance Officer calculating the costs for the service, including disposal, and advising that the scheme could be funded from the savings made from the delay in the start of the kerbside recycling service.

It was **unanimously resolved** to commence the green waste collection service as soon as possible subject to the contractors availability.

20/325 Fly tipping – East Baldwin Road

It was **unanimously resolved** to note a report from the Community Warden who was involved in an ongoing investigation relating to domestic waste being fly tipped on the edge of the road in East Baldwin.

20/326 Local Authority Reform – for discussion

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Chairman had been in contact with the Chairman of Marown Commissioners who were presently considering the matter of local authority reform, and advised her that the Board would be delighted to meet and discuss the matter further

Planning

20/327 Planning Applications

There were no Planning Applications to discuss.

20/328 Planning Approvals

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

PA19/01311/B - Creation of additional 14 parking spaces with associated landscaping - forming amendments to application 17/01101/B (retrospective) - Site Adj To Units A1 To A6, B1 To B6, C1 To C6 & D1 To D6 Eden Business Park, Cooil Road, Braddan, Isle Of Man

PA19/01455/C - Change of use to animal hydrotherapy and rehabilitation centre - Unit 2, Block C, Eden Business Park, Braddan, Isle Of Man IM4 2AY

20/329 Section 2

1. Rent Arrears

20/330 Any Other Business

The following matters were discussed:

1. Return to work. The potential to having to redesign the office due to future Government guidelines was tabled for future discussion
2. Heritage Trail. The Clerk was asked to determine the Departments plans for distance markers on the Trail following its refurbishment.
3. Grianagh Park. The Board asked for an update and timescale on the construction of the toilets.

20/331 Date of Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set for:-

21st May 2020

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

Signed

Date