

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS

held at the Commissioners' Office, Close Corran, Union Mills, Braddan
at 2pm on Thursday 15 October 2020.

In Attendance

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

20/624 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

20/625 Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

20/626 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.

20/627 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private

It was **unanimously resolved** that Item 2 relating to Tenancy Agreements for signing should be heard in Private.

20/628 Questions from Members of the Public

The Chairman welcomed Mr Bregazzi to the meeting who was still concerned about the speed and traffic through the Village and that the Commissioners were not doing anything about it.

The Chairman advised that speed control was not within the responsibility of the Commissioners, but if Mr Bregazzi wished to submit either evidence or, a petition from residents, they would bring it to the attention of the police.

The Clerk advised Mr Bregazzi that he hoped shortly to have information downloaded from the Smiley Sid outside the Memorial Hall which would show the speed of traffic coming into the Village from the west.

The Chairman suggested that Mr Bregazzi contact Mr Shimmins MHK who had already raised the matter of speeding in Tynwald.

Mr Bregazzi was thanked for attending and he left the meeting at 2.25pm.

20/629 Minutes of previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Public Meeting of 1 October 2020 were **unanimously approved** as a correct record of proceedings.

20/630 Matters Arising

There were no Matters Arising.

20/631 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no Matters for Consideration from Section 2.

20/632 Chairman's announcement

There was no Chairman's announcement

20/633 Environmental Issues

It was noted that the offer of bulbs to charities, schools and organisations to be planted in various sites in the Parish had been well received and planting had started.

20/634 Lewin – Bankruptcy

There were no further updates to this matter.

20/635 Mullen Doway – Update

The Clerk reported a number of updates on the project including the roof being installed on Block D and kitchens being fitted in Blocks A and B.

It was also noted that Cedar were still having problems with suppliers which was slowing the process down.

With many more questions to ask, including a potential phased opening, it was **unanimously resolved** to arrange a site meeting at 1pm on Tuesday 20th October.

20/636 Strang Corner Field – Update

It was **unanimously resolved** to note a Draft Business Case for the project and that a special meeting should be held on Tuesday 20th October to finalise the document and determine the full extent of the amount of money to be borrowed.

20/637 Local Government Reform

There were no further updates to this matter.

Section 1**20/638 Invoices for approval**

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

- Kinrade Bros Haulage Limited
- Douglas Borough Council
- Ellis Brown
- Mullen Consulting Limited

20/639 Coronation Community Garden

The Board noted the new members of the Garden Committee and that they had been offered financial assistance from the Green Centre.

Consideration was given to how the Committee could access the money as they do not hold a bank account.

It was **unanimously resolved** to investigate whether the Committee could be registered as a charity or a “not for profit” organisation and if so, a Commissioner would sit on the Board.

20/640 Trees – Snugborough Housing Estate

Consideration was given to a report from the Community Warden, regarding the problem of diseased or damaged trees that threaten the Commissioners properties in the Snugborough Estate.

After consideration it was **unanimously resolved** that money, that had been set aside for the purchase of land this year, should be used and tree issues that were of an urgent nature should be dealt with whilst other non-urgent could be considered for next years' estimates round.



20/641 Skate Park - Surface

Consideration was given to a report from the Community Warden, regarding what appeared to be cracks in the recently applied top surface.

It was noted that core samples had been extracted which determined that the problem was not as serious as it appeared, but the material supplier had recommended that a further application of a sealant should be applied which would not be at the Commissioners' expense.

After consideration it was **unanimously resolved** to accept the supplier's course of action and that the situation should be monitored over the next few years.

20/642 Braddan Dog Control Byelaws 2020

It was **unanimously resolved** to defer the consideration of the draft Braddan Dog Control Byelaws 2020 until the draft Dog Byelaws for the Hospital were received and they could both be put out for public consultation together.

20/643 Archibald Knox - 2024 Celebrations

The Chairman stated that he had been made aware that the Archibald Knox Forum had ambitious plans for an exhibition for 2024.

It was **unanimously resolved** to offer Mr Hobdell the Memorial Hall as a venue for the exhibition, but also to discuss the possibility of making the Hall a permanent heritage venue should Strang Corner Field come to fruition.

20/644 Memorial Hall Office Lease

Consideration was given to a report from the Clerk regarding the Memorial Hall Office lease which is due to expire in May 2021.

The Clerk had contacted the tenant to determine if he wished to renew the lease, and he had enquired if the charges were likely to change in the light of the problems caused to businesses by the pandemic.

The Commissioners accepted his point and noted that the present rent (which included heating) was £4515 but the tenant was responsible for the rates for the property which totalled £270.08.

The issue of the future of the hall was also discussed and it was felt appropriate to give notice to the tenant that if it was renewed in 2021 it would not be extended past the next three years.

After discussion it was **unanimously resolved** to advise the tenant that the annual lease charge for the next three years from June 2021 would be £4500 which included the heating and rates.

20/645 Mullen Doway – naming

A lengthy discussion was held on the postal addresses for the properties and the Commissioners desire for each block named after a person or persons who had made a significant contribution to the Parish.

The names of Gibb, Knox and Brennan were favoured but it was **unanimously resolved** to defer the final decision until the name of the first lady Commissioner for Braddan was discovered.

20/646 Area Plan for the East

It was **unanimously resolved** to defer the matter to a special meeting to be held on Tuesday 20th October 2020.

Planning**20/647 Planning Applications**

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that there were no objections to the following planning applications:-

- PA20/01085/B – Erection of Japanese style garden room with associated landscaping/water features and retaining wall – Ballaveare Court, Old Castletown Road, Port Soderick, IM4 1BD
- PA20/1087/B – Erection of rear extension to replace existing conservatory and installation of a flue – 20 Hollin Lane, Tromode Woods, Braddan, IM4 4TR

20/649 Planning Approvals

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

- PA19/01448/B - Erection of 17 general industrial units with associated parking and drainage, and alterations to vehicular access - Former Parkinsons Yard, Peel Road, Braddan, Isle of Man, IM4 4LE
- PA20/00868/B - Alterations, erection of first floor extension, formation of bay windows and installation of replacement glass balustrade - Ca' D' Zan, The Downs, Union Mills, Isle of Man, IM4 4NQ
- PA20/00674/B - Erection of a log cabin to be used for a beauty business – Glenburn, Strang Road, Union Mills, Isle of Man, IM4 4NP
- PA20/00716/C - Change of use of units D1 and D2 from light industrial and research and development to office, training and build / repair / maintenance of medical equipment - Units 1 & 2 Block D Eden Business Park, Cooil Road, Isle of Man IM4 2AY
- PA20/00687/B - Erection of a two storey extension to side elevation - 57 Ballacottier Meadow, Braddan, Isle of Man IM2 2QX
- PA20/00886/B - Alterations and erection of sun room extension - Kilkenny Cottage, Colooneys Lane, Cooil Road, Braddan, Isle of Man, IM4 2AG

20/670 Section 2

It was **unanimously resolved** to note the following:

1. Rent Arrears

Private**20/671 Tenancy Agreement for signing**

It was **unanimously resolved** that the tenancy agreement could be signed for Tenant 138 & Property 546 and Tenant 150 & Property 548.

20/672 Land Bank

The Clerk reported back on the further discussions he had had with the land owner and the conditions he would apply to the sale.

It was **unanimously resolved** to examine whether it would be possible to use the land for allotments before a final decision was made.

20/673 Any Other Business

1. The Chairman asked for an update on planning complaints for the property "Marbeg" at Port Soderick, the airfield at Mount Rule and waste in West Baldwin.
2. The Chairman asked for information about the repair of the U45 road link between Kewaigue and Port Soderick

3. The Chairman asked for an update on the date that the Dol intend to repair the road under the bridge on Glen Road which was full of large potholes.
4. Miss Corkill asked for the report on railings at Clybane Playground be brought to the next Board meeting so it could be considered as a project for 2021/22
5. Miss Corkill asked for a list of projects the Board wished to put forward for consideration for grants from the Economic Recovery Group that Mr Shimmins had advised the Board about.
6. Miss Corkill asked for an update on the pedestrian crossing at Braddan School.
7. Mr Quaye asked that the two strips across the tarmacked part of the Heritage Trail leading to the Access Road which had sunk, could be repaired.
8. Mr Dentith gave an update on the recent Eastern Civic Amenity Site Committee meeting and the progress that had been made on the purchase and construction of the new site at Middle Park Industrial Estate.

20/674 Date of Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set for:-

29th October 2020

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 4.45 pm

Signed

 29/10/2020

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