

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS
Meeting held virtually at 2pm on Thursday 11 March 2021.

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

21/131 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

21/132 Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

21/133 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.

21/134 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private

There were no matters deferred to Private.

21/135 Questions from Members of the Public

There were no questions from Members of the Public.

21/136 Minutes of previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Public Meeting held on 25 February and 4 March 2021 were **unanimously approved** as a correct record of proceedings.

21/137 Matters Arising

(i) Memorial Hall Acoustics – Minute 21/113 (ii)

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Clerk would put forward for the Boards consideration the material available for the curtains.

(ii) Unnamed settlement area- Minute 21/113 (v)

It was **unanimously resolved** that to note that the Chairman would approach the Cabinet Office on this matter.

21/138 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no matters to be brought forward from Section 2.

21/139 Chairman's announcement

There was no Chairman's announcement.

21/140 Environmental Issues

A discussion was held on the environmental impact the closure of the Civic Amenity Sites could have during the pandemic period.

It was noted that all four sites around the island had been closed and more fly-tipping than usual was reportedly taking place.

Discussions were held on a potential for an amnesty on charges for disposing fridges and TV's when the site re-opened or possibly a collection service.

It was **unanimously resolved** to await the decision of the Committee regarding the plans for re-opening the site which was expected on Monday 15th March.

21/141 Mullen Doway – Update

It was noted that the site was functioning under the government COVID guidelines and approval for the lift engineers had been granted by the Cabinet Office. There had been a major concern that should they leave the island they would not return for the foreseeable future which threatened the opening of the buildings.

It was **unanimously resolved** to accept the revised barrier diagram produced by BSA following the site meeting, and that the Project Manager could issue the instruction to undertake the work.

The Clerk advised that he had been in discussions with Mr Walker, the owner of the Units below the flats in the Snugborough Industrial Estate, and this had been followed up with an advocate's letter about, land ownership, the condition of the bank at the completion of the contract and the amount of debris on the bank at present.

It was **unanimously resolved** that an urgent instruction would be given to the contractor to clear the bank immediately and Mr Walkers surveyor be contacted so that similar scale drawings to those of the Commissioners could be obtained so that a comparison could be made and hopefully the question of ownership could be established.

21/142 Strang Corner Field – Update

Mr Dentith asked why he had seen contractors on site and the Clerk advised that the architect had contacted him to advise that site clearing in preparation for the build was to be undertaken.

It was **unanimously resolved** that a letter would be distributed to those residents in the area that could be impacted by the work to advise them of the situation.

21/143 Lewin – Bankruptcy

It was **unanimously resolved** to request an update from the Trustee in Bankruptcy Mr C Mitchell.

Section 1

21/144 Invoices for approval

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

600120887 – Douglas Borough Council – Eastern CA Site - £6881.95

20044 – Manx Business Solutions – Software Renewal - £2749.00

11708590 – Sage Accounts – Software Renewal - £2177.56

21/145 Consultants Fees – Strang Corner Field

It was **unanimously resolved** that discussions with the company would continue and a resolution was to be offered to them.

21/146 Consultation – Electric Bikes and Scooters

A lengthy discussion was held on the consultation document issued by the Highway Services Division of the Department of Infrastructure relating to Electric Bicycle's and Scooters.

In response to the document it was **unanimously resolved** to suggest that enabling legislation should drawn up, if a problem materialised, to enforce insurance, helmets, licensing and lights etc and there should be a prohibition on where they cant be used, such as Strand Street, rather than where they can.

21/147 Recycling Promotion in Schools

It was noted that within the contract between Braddan and Douglas there was a requirement for Douglas to organise promotional activities.

It was **unanimously resolved** that a programme of promotion would be arranged when Douglas had their promotional trailer ready for use, but this may be affected by the date of the forthcoming election and the lifting of the pandemic lockdown.

21/148 Query re: adoption of Private Roadway: Corlett Sons & Cowley Site

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that Mr Leeming from Corletts Son and Cowley had been in contact with the Clerk, but it was agreed that any covenants contained in the Deeds relating to the roadway needed to be examined before any action could be taken. Work was also be undertaken to examine what Planning Approvals had been obtained for the businesses in the yard.

21/149 Waste Collection , West Baldwin

The Clerk raised a query on the decision that had been previously been made on the provision of waste collection at the Injebreck end of the road.

The Chairman stated that it was his understanding that the decision made in 2020 was that, whilst the recycling service was to continue, the refuse collection service was to stop on health and safety grounds due to the size of the vehicle and that residents should be advised that bins would be provided in the village to dispose of their waste.

The Clerk advised that there would be an opportunity to review this decision as the selected tenderers for the external cleaning contract had been asked to include a cost for weekly or a fortnightly collection.

It was **unanimously resolved** to await the receipt of the tenders.

Planning

21/150 Planning Applications

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

- PA21/00112/B - Alterations to existing conservatory including new glazing, roof, covered patio area, external fireplace and raised decking – Newlands, Cronk Lane, Union Mills, Braddan, IM4 4JY
- PA21/00106/B - Erection of 26 two bed apartments and 6 one bed apartments with associated car parking, vehicle access and landscaping - Land At Snugborough Farm, Cronk Gennal, Union Mills, Isle Of Man

21/151 Planning Approvals

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

- PA20/01491/B - Erection of single storey extensions to front and side elevations - 11 River Walk Braddan, Isle Of Man, IM4 4TJ

21/152 Section 2

It was **unanimously resolved** to note the following item from Section 2:-

1. Rent Arrears

21/153 Any Other Business

The Clerk advised that he had been contacted by Mrs Lias from asking when the Commissioners would be adopting their road at Camlork Close as it was subject to flooding.

The Commissioners agreed that Mrs Lias should be advised that the responsibility for adopting roads lay with the Department of Infrastructure. The Clerk advised that the drainage had already been adopted by the Manx Utilities Authority and the Commissioners were satisfying their obligations under the Transfer of Services agreement and the gully pots were being emptied as and when required.

Mrs Lias was to be advised to contact both organisations if you she still had concerns and to keep the Commissioners updated on any developments.

21/154 Date of Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was set for:-

- 25 March 2021

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 4.25pm

Signed

Date