

MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS  
Meeting held virtually at 2pm on Thursday 8 April 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

- 21/188 Apologies for absence**  
There were no apologies for absence.
- 21/188 Declaration of Interest**  
There were no Declarations of Interest received.
- 21/189 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.
- 21/190 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private**  
There were no matters deferred to Private.
- 21/191 Questions from Members of the Public**  
There were no questions from Members of the Public.
- 21/192 Minutes of previous Meeting**  
The Minutes of the Public Meeting held on 25 March 2021 was **unanimously approved** as a correct record of proceedings.
- 21/193 Matters Arising**  
There were no matters arising.
- 21/194 Matters for Consideration from Section 2**  
There were no matters to be brought forward from Section 2.
- 21/195 Chairman's announcement**  
There was no Chairman's announcement.
- 21/196 Environmental Issues**  
A discussion was held on the need to further promote recycling and consider the possibility of moving waste collection from weekly to fortnightly.  
  
It was **unanimously resolved** to task the Clerk and Deputy Clerk with progressing these matters.
- 21/197 Mullen Doway – Update**  
The Clerk reported that the contractor was back on site under a limited capacity in accordance with the Government guidelines.  
  
The Clerk reported that he had contacted Mr Walkers advocate in relation to the potential purchase of the bank enquiring if he had obtained a valuation of the land, but had been advised that this was not available at the time of the meeting.  
  
The Clerk advised that the architect had asked if the Commissioners were still in favour of the emergency lights inside the flats, given that they were not required under the

Housing Standards guidelines, and the potential cost was in the region of £6000 which was not covered in the budget.

It was **unanimously resolved** to visit the site as soon as possible to assess the matter.

**21/198 Strang Corner Field – Update**

Mr Mellon suggested that even at this stage the Board should look at future proofing the building to consider potential future pandemics, for instance touch free taps and hand sanitiser dispensers.

It was **unanimously resolved** that the matter would be raised with the Project Manager.

A discussion was held on the need for an IT management package, CEMAR, that had been suggested by various parties who felt it could help with the monitoring of the project.

The Clerk advised that the price quoted was £14,000 and that not all the project team were in favour of it, feeling that it was not necessary nor value for money.

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Clerk would organise a webinar given by the company to allow all parties to consider its worth before any purchase was considered.

**21/199 Lewin – Bankruptcy**

It was **unanimously resolved** to note there had been no further developments

**Section 1**

**21/200 Invoices for approval**

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

D G Wood & Son – Ground Maintenance December 2020 - £4141.30

D G Wood & Son – Ground Maintenance January 2021 & Xmas trees - £4171.30

D G Wood & Son – Ground Maintenance February 2021 & tree planting - £4231.30

Douglas Borough Council – Eastern Civic Amenity Site – February 2021 - £7523.77

Evolution Accounting – Internal Audit Services – Report 8.3 – Software and Portable Assets - £3045.00

Evolution Accounting – Internal Audit Services – Report 8.4 – 5 Year Tenancy Review - £3045.00

Kinrade Bros. Haulage Ltd – Refuse Collection Charges – January – March 2021 - £34,320.00

**21/201 Opening Fee Proposals - Site Supervisor - Strang Corner Field**

The Chairman opened the two fee proposals which had been submitted by email.

The proposals came from:

- Mullen Consulting Ltd
- Ellis Brown Ltd

After discussion it was **unanimously resolved** to accept the lowest tender which was from Mullen Consulting

**21/202 Refurbishment of Benches**

Consideration was given to a report from the Community Warden which set out the number of benches, where they were, their condition and the specification for the standard of the work to be done.

It was noted that three contractors had been invited to quote for the work but only two had responded.

It was noted that the budget for 2020/21 had been £3000 which had not been spent and carried forward to Reserves, but nothing had been allocated for 2021/22.

The lowest tender had been submitted by Keith McAuliffe which the Commissioners accepted on the condition that work up to the value of £3000 should be done during the present tax year, and provision would be made in the 2022/23 to complete the task.

It was **unanimously resolved** to accept Mr McAuliffe's tender.

#### 21/203 **Port Soderick Recreation Hall Licence**

The Commissioners noted that a draft licence had been prepared and sent to the charity which granted them sole use of the playground and grassed area to the right hand side of the entrance road.

Being aware of the present lockdown situation, the charity issued a copy of the document which could be signed digitally and it was **unanimously resolved** that the Clerk could "sign" the document on behalf of the Authority

#### **Planning**

#### 21/204 **Planning Applications**

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

- PA21/00259/B - Variation of condition 4 to PA 20/00323/B to alter the colour of materials to roof, walls and doors - Part Field 524881 & Land Adjacent Industrial Estate, Ballafletcher Road, Cronkbourne, Braddan.

#### 21/205 **Planning Approvals**

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

- PA20/01529/D - Installation of signage - Corlett Sons And Cowley Main Road Union Mills Isle Of Man IM4 4AD

#### 21/206 **Planning Refusals**

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

- PA19/00978/B - Mr Kevin & Mrs Voirrey Minay - Erection of a detached barn style building for the private storage of vehicles - Ballabunt Croft Cooil Road Douglas Isle Of Man IM4 2AQ

#### 21/207 **Section 2**

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

1. Rent Arrears

#### 21/208 **Any Other Business**

##### **Heritage Trail Wood Carving**

Miss Corkill advised that the Arts Council were seeking expressions of interest from wood carvers to provide sculptures or figurines to be placed on the newly extended Heritage Trail from Peel to Kirk Michael. It was suggested that the Commissioners could become involved in the contract to undertake work at Union Mills Railway Station

##### **Speeding – Ballanawin**

The Chairman advised that he had been contacted by a resident of Ballanawin who was concerned over the speed of traffic on the estate. The Community Warden was to be asked to liaise with the Department of Infrastructure on the matter.

**Telephone Box – Union Mills**

The Deputy Clerk had noticed that the red Telecom boxes were being with drawn and had placed on option on the box in the Village.

**21/209 Date of Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting was set for:-

- 22 April 2021

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 4pm

Signed .....  
Date *22 April 2021*