

**MINUTES OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS**  
**Held at the Commissioners' Office, Close Corran, Union Mills at 2pm**  
**Thursday 17 June 2021**

**In Attendance**

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

**21/324 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Miss Corkill.

**21/325 Declaration of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

**21/326 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.

**21/327 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private**

It was **unanimously resolved** that Item 4 – Tenancy Agreement for signing – Property 070 & Property 559 would be deferred to Private.

**21/328 Minutes of previous Meeting**

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting and the Public Meeting held on 3 June 2021 were **unanimously approved** as a correct record of proceedings.

**21/329 Matters Arising****(i) Land at Vicarage Road**

The Clerk reported that he had received advice from the Government Valuer who felt that the land had a value of approximately £41 per sqm, which meant that on average each of the eleven plots would be worth £4000.

They noted that the planning refusal from 2012 was based on the loss of a landscape strip and natural buffer. The likelihood was therefore, since there had been no changes since to the area, that another application would be refused.

It was **unanimously agreed** to bring this information to the attention of Mr Evans to determine if he still wished to pursue the matter.

**(ii) Mrs Mackay, Millennium Close**

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Deputy Chair and Clerk had tried to meet Mrs Mackay the day after the last meeting, but she declined the offer and wished to withdraw her request to cut her own grass.

**(iii) Telephone kiosks**

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that a quote to strip and repaint the boxes was awaited.

**(iv) Lone Worker emergency call system**

It was **unanimously resolved** to note that the Clerk had organised a demonstration of the system prior to any order being placed.

**21/330 Questions from Members of the Public**

At 2pm the Chairman welcomed Mr Coates to discuss his objection to planning application PA21/00464/B - Erection of detached dwelling with associated access - Siesta Oak Hill Port Soderick Isle of Man IM4 1AY.

A lengthy discussion was held on the matter and the Commissioners noted Mr Coates points of view.

Mr Dentith joined the meeting at 2.20pm

Mr Coates left the meeting at 2.25pm.

**21/331 Matters for Consideration from Section 2**

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

**21/332 Chairman's announcement**

The Chairman advised that during the week he had met Councillor David Christian from Douglas Borough Council and reached an agreement on the issue of grass cutting and street light maintenance on the boundary of both authorities that had been left unresolved for more than 14 years.

It was **unanimously resolved** to note the signature of the document.

**21/333 Environmental Issues**

There were no matters put forward for consideration.

**21/334 Mullen Doway – Update**

The Clerk confirmed that an instruction had been given by the Project Manager to implemented his solution to the problem of cladding on the windows. Copies of the solution had been circulated to the Board.

The Clerk advised that the Allocation Committee had assessed all the applications for people who were interested in the properties. A list had been drawn up to issue pre-offer letters setting out the terms and conditions of the tenancy for the properties.

The initial list showed 5 internal transfers, 12 taken from Douglas and 13 from the Eastern Shared Housing.

The Clerk stated that the list had been determined purely on need (using the pointing system) and not the applicants place of residency.

**21/335 Strang Corner Field – Update**

The sod cutting ceremony had taken place earlier in the day and the Commissioners, the Contractor and Project Manager had been joined by the Chief Minister Mr Quayle, Mr Shimmins MHK, Mr Baker MHK, Minister for the Department of Infrastructure and Barbara Scott Director for Infrastructure from Manx Care.

The Clerk advised that a Project Meeting had been held the day before and things seemed to be going smoothly.

He stated that the contractor had made it clear to all concerned that the dates for the steel erection and roof fitting were now set in stone and therefore it was essential that everything was in place ready for their arrival.

The groundworks had commenced, the steel frame is to be erected in September and the roof in October.

**21/336 Lewin – Bankruptcy**

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

**Section 1****21/337 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 – External Cleaning	£2448
Cedar – Mullen Doway	£181,313
DBC – ECAS Admin & Disposal	£9690
Kaye Associates – Strang Corner Field	£4374
MUA – Water supply to Strang Corner (additional)	£6331

**21/338 Request for rate reduction**

Consideration was given to correspondence from Arragon Properties who expressed their concern over the increase in rates for the Parish this year.

The manager was requesting a rates reduction for the 31 properties in their ownership at Cronkbourne Village, but the Clerk had advised him that the total increase for all the properties was in the region of £450 or 30p per week per unit.

It was **unanimously resolved** decline the companys request.

**21/338 Appointment of Returning Officer – Local Election – 22 July 2021**

Consideration was given to a report from the Clerk regarding the appointment of a Returning Officer for the forthcoming Local Election on 22 July 2021.

It was **unanimously resolved** to accept the recommendation and appoint the Clerk as the Returning Officer.

**21/339 Fixed Penalty Notice Procedure & Policy**

Consideration was given to a draft Fixed Penalty Notice Procedure and Policy from the Community Warden

It was **unanimously resolved** to approve the document.

**21/340 Consultation on the Establishment of a Government Regulatory Authority**

It was **unanimously resolved** to responded to the above Consultation using the on line forum during the meeting and the document was completed and submitted.

**21/341 TT Access Road**

The Chairman raised the issue of the negative impact the 2022/2023 TT Races would have on businesses located inside the course as a result of more road closures to accommodate additional races and practices.

It was **unanimously resolved** that the Clerk would seek a response from central government on their plans for the Access Road.

**21/342 Manx Wildlife Trust - Wilder Communities**

Consideration was given to correspondence from the Manx Wildlife Trust, inviting the Commissioners to participate in a scheme to rewild small urban areas by planting native trees and shrubs with one the aims being to increase biodiversity in the island.

It was **unanimously resolved** to suggest some potential sites and to invite the Manx Wildlife Trust to a future meeting to discuss the issue further.

**21/343 Eastern Civic Amenity Site – Joint Committee Agreement**

The Commissioners considered a report from the Clerk in relation to the signature of a new Agreement which related to the proposed new facility at Middle Park.

During previous discussions on the matter, consideration had been given to change the Agreement to say that the share each authority contributed toward the running of the site, should be determined by the rateable value of just the domestic hereditaments and the business hereditaments be excluded because businesses were not allowed to use the facility.

The Chairman advised that during discussions with Douglas Corporation they had confirmed that they would not support a change, and without the support of Douglas the proposal to change would fall.

It was noted that the document needed to be signed urgently by all parties to allow them to enter into a contract with the developer of the facility and allow Petition to be submitted for the loan of the money.

In the light of the advice of Douglas it was **unanimously resolved** to not pursue any change to the Agreement, and that it should be confirmed at the next ECAS meeting that the Commissioners would be content to sign the document put forward.

**Planning****21/344 Planning Applications**

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

PA21/ 00548/B – Removal of existing conservatory and erection of flat roof extension to rear elevation – 19 River Walk, Braddan, IM4 4TJ

PA21/00606/B – Erection of a first floor extension above existing garage to provide ancillary living accommodation – Jandakot, Old Castletown Road, Port Soderick, Braddan, IM4 1BB

PA21/00610/B – Erection of an extension to dwelling – Ballaveare, Old Castletown Road, Port Soderick, Braddan, IM4 1BB

PA21/00658/B – Erection of Public Toilets, seating area and canopy (amendment to PA19/01008/B – Cronk Grianagh Park, adjacent to existing skate park, the Strang, Braddan

**21/345 Planning Correspondence**

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

PA21/00464/B - Erection of detached dwelling with associated access - Siesta Oak Hill Port Soderick Isle Of Man IM4 1AY

**21/346 Planning Approvals**

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

PA21/00112/B - Alterations to existing conservatory including new glazing, roof, covered patio area, external fireplace and raised decking - Newlands Cronk Lane Union Mills Isle Of Man IM4 4JY

**21/347 Private**

**Tenancy Agreement for signing – Property 070 & Tenant 559**

It was **unanimously resolved** to approve the following Tenancy Agreement for signing: Property 070 & Tenant 559.

**21/348 Section 2**

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

- 1. Shared Housing Waiting List
- 2. Rent Arrears
- 3. Braddan School – Environmental Support
- 4. Discharge License Application - Port Soderick
- 5. Transfer of Documents to Public Records Office

**21/349 Date of Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting was set for:-

- 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 4.10 pm

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Date ... 1/7/21 .....