

MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF BRADDAN PARISH COMMISSIONERS
Held at the Commissioners' Office, Close Corran, Union Mills at 5pm
Monday 24 January 2022

In Attendance

Mr A C R Jessopp Chairman
 Mr N Mellon
 Mr A Morgan (via Teams)
 Mr P Scott
 Mr J C Whiteway Clerk
 Miss M J Radcliffe Deputy Clerk & Finance Officer

22/028 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Mr Quaye.

22/029 Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

22/030 Issue of Summons / Agenda

It was noted that all members had been invited to the meeting at the closure of the meeting on 20th January 2022.

22/031 Deferral of Matters on the Agenda to Private

There were no matters deferred to Private.

22/032 Minutes of previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were to be discussed at the next ordinary meeting.

22/033 Matters Arising

There were no matters for consideration.

22/034 Questions from Members of the Public

There were no questions from Members of the Public.

22/035 Matters for Consideration from Section 2

There were no Matters for Consideration from Section 2.

22/036 Chairman's announcement

There was no Chairman's announcement.

Section 1**22/037 Estimates**

Following the previous meetings further analysis was undertaken on the existing budget, and whether each item needed to be funded again, reduced or removed.

There was an acceptance that the rate would need to increase part due to the costs of developing Strang Corner (with no income expected during the financial year), the increase in the Gate Fee at the Energy from Waste Plant, additional charges for street sweeping, setting aside funds in case they wished to contract a specialist or a legal team to contest either the Braddan Road development or a possible planning application for Camlork and the part funding of a one year contract for a Recycling Officer with Douglas and Zero Waste Mann.

There were further minor schemes that they also wished to progress including:

- Refurbishment of benches throughout the Parish.
- Continuing the wildflower meadows at Strang, Ballacottier and Cronk Grianagh.
- Upgrading the IT systems and hardware in preparation for the move to the new offices.
- Replacement of 6 lighting columns identified by the MUA Column Testing report.
- Management plan and forestry works for the woodland at Vicarage Road, to improve the green gap between the residential properties and the busy outer link route.
- Funding (part in this year) for the creation of an art installation at Strang created from Lego.
- The adoption of the day to day management of Port Soderick Hall.
- Continuation of the fortnightly Green Waste Collection during the summer months at Braddan School.
- Funding for the development of a new Household Waste Recycling Centre for the Eastern area at Middle Park.
- Funding from reserves for the refurbishment of two of our playgrounds at Union Mills and Clybane.


A bottom line figure was agreed but a discussion was held on the need to demonstrate more clearly the actual cost of waste disposal to help parishioners understand the need to recycle more and to re-enforce the principle of the "polluter pays".

The Finance Officer calculated that the average cost of disposing of waste per household across the Parish was £82 (which excludes the cost of kerbside recycling).

After deducting the cost of waste from the calculation, it was determined that the rate would need to increase by 6p taking it to 230p.

After further discussion it was **unanimously resolved** that the rate for 2022/23 would be set at 230p in the pound and that a Refuse Rate of £82.00 would be raised against every domestic property in the parish.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 7pm.

Signed 

Date *10/2/22*