

The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners Meeting held on Thursday 2nd June 2016, at 6.30pm, The Community Hall, Clenagh Road, Sulby, Lezayre.

Members present: Mrs. V A Quane, Mr. A D Radcliffe, Mr K Brew, Miss V Radcliffe and Mr J Teare. Mrs. M Rimmer the Clerk took the minutes. There were no members of the public and no members of the press in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 5th May 2016, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

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Mrs Quane welcomed Miss Radcliffe to the Commissioners and hoped that she will enjoy working with us all. The clerk advised that she had forgotten to prepare a letter of acceptance for her to sign, but would get a copy to her for signature tomorrow.

Matters arising from the minutes

Mr Brew enquired regarding the progress on obtaining a computer for public use to be set up on our premises. The clerk advised that she had received a call from the office dealing with the "Digital Inclusion and Engagement" advising that we may be able to receive a free computer donated by Manx Telecom or the Government. Currently they were matching donations with requirements. It was suggested that when this is set up it has restricted access only.

The clerk updated the members regarding the hedge on the Andreas Road, Dhoor area. The clerk had written as requested to the landowner asking for the hedge to be cut back to allow better access for pedestrians. The clerk had received a call from the owner and arranged to pay a visit to discuss the position. The owner advised that over many years the hedge has been damaged by DOI over cutting the hedge. At this visit the clerk suggested that the owner clear up the debris at ground level to expose more of the pavement and also to trim back the hedge. Even a slight cut would improve the situation. The owner telephoned the next day to advise that she had cleared the pavement. The members asked the clerk to write again to the owner asking that the hedge be cut back at the end of the growing season further suggesting that if the ivy is removed the hedge will return. All agreed.

The clerk advised that she had received a reply from Andrea Hawley regarding speeding on the Clenagh Road. Counts taken are from various dates, some going back 4 years, which are acceptable. She further advised there had been no significant alteration to the infrastructure environment, i.e. new schools, large estates etc. New counts can be taken if we wish. She also advised that some motorists will speed regardless of the limit imposed and sometimes the wrong limit is set too low for the road environment and motorists will drive to the conditions. Enforcement may be the key in this instance. Mr Teare advised that there was not a crossroads sign, warning drivers of the Kella/Curragh Road junction, he also commented that the road surface had improved with some re-surfacing – does this count as change to the infrastructure/environment? The members instructed the clerk to request new counts to be taken suggesting the straps are placed at the 30mph sign and at the crossroads. No comment had been received regarding our suggestion of reminder 30mph signs within the 30mph limit and the clerk is to ask for one to be erected on the "horses crossing" sign on the Clenagh Road.

Mr Teare commented on the recent Cyclefest event. He had tried to use Sulby Glen Road, but was unable as it was closed. The members felt that more information should be available to the public for these types of events.

The clerk updated the members regarding the situation of the PROW up Glen Auldyn. As Mrs Quane had advised at the last meeting, following the storm last year the river has caused great damage to the PROW. Also various trees and boulders have been brought down river causing it to change its course, which is of great concern to the owners of Glen Auldyn Lodge who reside close by. The DOI are currently looking to repair the PROW and the clerk has written to Alan Hardinge to see to what extent these repairs are. The clerk suggested that a meeting could be called by the members with the owners of the land, Mr Manton asking that the land is managed better, keeping the river clear, so that debris cannot be carried down river causing damage. The members agreed to wait to hear from Mr Hardinge to see what work the DOI were undertaking before any meeting and also to what extent they may be involved in clearing the debris currently in the river.

The clerk advised that she had received a reply from MUA regarding the condition of the street light in Kella Road (LE50). No immediate danger but recommend an early replacement be considered by the members. It was noted that a planning application has been submitted for this area. The members agreed to wait for the outcome of this before any replacement is considered.

Mrs Quane advised she had contacted Gregs in relation to work on the War Memorial. It was agreed at the last meeting for pointing work only, with a report for any further work. Mrs Quane to chase further.

U100 Greenway – alternative sign. The clerk had prepared a sample to show how the sign might look to acknowledge the history of this road. The members were happy with this and the clerk is to contact Peter Webb who had previously agreed to create this sign for us.

The clerk advised the members that she had organised hedge cutting of the Crossags Lane without first having a meeting with the various parties as time had run out p to TT. The members asked the clerk to contact the necessary parties to ask for a contribution to the cost of cutting the hedge. Campsite/Ramsey Golf Club and Maughold Commissioners.

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Isle of Man Government

Cabinet Office – Service of Thanksgiving to mark the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty the Queen – Cathedral Isle of Man, Peel at 3pm Sunday 12th June 2016

Office of the Clerk of Tynwald – Tynwald Day 5th July 2016 – offer tickets for Chairman and guest. Mr Radcliffe would like to attend. The clerk is to request tickets

Communications Commission – Sure (IOM) Ltd Application for Code Powers Public Notice, Preliminary view and invitation to submit comments. The clerk read out this letter, Mr Brew enquired if we could check if this process involved planning matters.

Armed Forces Day Committee – Invite to attend, Villa Marina Sunday 26th June 3.45pm

Douglas Borough Council – Civic Sunday 12th June 2016 St George's Church Douglas at 9.50am. Mrs Quane may attend.

Mr Morris Newsletters – 295 296 298 299 300 301

Clean away – offering refuse collection service

Caravan – Carrick Park – The clerk advised that she had received a call from a resident on Carrick Park regarding a caravan parked to the front of the neighbours bungalow. The clerk visited the estate to view the situation, it was a very large caravan and did look out of place in her opinion. The clerk sought advice from planning and was advised that so long as it was within the curtilage of the property it did not require permission. Emails were also received from two other residents on the estate regarding this caravan, although nothing written received from the original caller. The owner of the caravan has since contacted us advising awareness of the complaint regarding the caravan. They will move the caravan to secure parking once the TT is finished and will look to seek planning permission to make alterations to their drive to move the caravan off the front lawn. The clerk was asked to acknowledge, advising that the Commissioners can only act by way of conciliation in this matter and to suggest that legal advice is sought in relation to conditions for this estate in the deeds for the properties on this estate.

Mrs Arnold – Thank you letter

Any other Business – The clerk advised the members that the lock on the Ballabrooie toilets had been replaced as the door had been kick open damaging the lock beyond repair.

The next meeting was arranged for Thursday 7th July at 7pm.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 7.40pm.

Signed.....Chairman

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