

The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners Meeting held on Thursday 10th September 2015, at 7.00pm, The Community Hall, Clenagh Road, Sulby, Lezayre.

Members present: Mrs. V A Quane (Chairman), Mr K Brew (Vice Chairman), Mr. A D Radcliffe, Mr A Brew and Mrs H Reeve. Mrs M Rimmer the Clerk took the minutes.

There was one member of the public and no members of the press in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 6th August 2015, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the minutes

The members discussed the notice board and it was noted that this now needed painting. Would new varnish come off the same. Black paint was suggested. The Clerk is to call David (joiner) to discuss the notice board as the back boards were promised to be replaced some time ago. All agreed.

The clerk updated the members regarding hedge cutting. She advised what has been cut up to now and imminent cutting of various junctions. Further cutting is to be advised by each authorities rep, shown on a map. Mr A Brew explained that he had suggested at our meetings that we use reserves from our Authorities to cut all hedges, but some were reluctant to do this. Mr Radcliffe proposed that we withdraw from the Transfer of Functions which was creating an extra layer of bureaucracy. Put taxes up by 2p in the pound to cover shortfall. Infrastructure was a shambles under Minister Gawne. As an individual on the Refuse Board he is not in favour of what is happening. We need commercially minded people to oversee work. Mr K Brew had concerns as to how we prioritise. Mr A Brew said we have to give ratepayers value for money. We have to make sure all is ok.

The members discussed further the War Memorial as it is showing signs of wear and needs attention. The clerk was instructed to contact Stephen Gregg/Stonemason for advice. The members also discussed the removal of wreaths following Remembrance Service. The clerk had been asked to find information/protocol. The Royal British Legion had advised that other Authorities remove all wreaths by the end of December. Other information showed that the War Memorials Trust advised that wreaths left for a long period of time begin to deteriorate giving the impression that it is not looked after. Also in times of wet weather they can cause staining onto the stone. Mr K Brew proposed and Mr Radcliffe seconded that all wreaths are removed by the New Year following the November service. Any additional wreaths placed would require permission from the Authority and should be removed after four weeks. Mrs Quane advised that she would ask for the wreath currently on the Memorial to be removed.

The clerk advised that she had not written regarding the PROW on Dale Lane as she had not checked to see if it had been dealt with. Mr K Brew said he would check and then let the clerk know. The clerk also advised that she had been in contact with Bill Corlett to ascertain if we could engage workmen to deal with the Millrace under the bridge on Dale Lane. At this time he has been unable to confirm this and will advise as soon as possible.

The clerk advised that following several emails to DEFA regarding Japanese Knot weed, they were considering drafting up a reminder/educational press release.

Correspondence

Isle of Man Government

Cabinet Office –

Consultation on the Proposed Establishment of a separate Financial Intelligence Unit for the Isle of Man. Closes 18.09.15. No Comments

Consultation on the Terrorism and Crime (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2015. Closes 22.09.15. No Comments.

Treasury -

Consultation on streamlining the income tax system. Closes 09.10.15. Comments if any are to be given to the clerk as the next meeting.

National Insurance Consultation - Proposed changes to National Insurance for Workers over State Pension Age. Closes 14.10.15. The members felt that this proposal was a good idea.

Infrastructure -

Consultation Road Races Bill 2015. Closes 17.09.15. The members agreed to read this document over the weekend and submit any comments to the clerk.

News Release – Working Group to help shape future of waste management. The clerk advised that she had attended this meeting as mentioned in the press release. She felt that some of the points were not as she understood from listening to people around the meeting table. It was suggested that the clerk speak with other attendees to get their thoughts on this.

Waste Minimisation and Recycling Office - Composter Advert Information

Waste Services – Further meeting to discuss Balladoole CA site. Mrs Quane advised that she would attend. Her preferred date would be Monday 21st September.

Department of Economic Development -

Consultation paper on the proposed ratification of the Cape Town Convention and Aircraft Protocol to the Isle of Man. Closes 02.10.15. No c

Department of Health -

Consultation on New Regulations for Tobacco Bill (part 1). No comments

Eco Vannin – Invite to EcoVannin Government Workshop Event – Monday 14th September 2.30pm. No one available to attend.

Data Protection Office. Renewal documents returned for V Quane and A Radcliffe. To be filed.

Mrs Hampton – Fields St Judes Road. The clerk was asked to acknowledge this letter advising that the contents are noted with interest.

Sulby Residents – Street light. The clerk is to reply advising that the matter is now in hand.

Isle of Man Farmers – Information leaflet

Bucks Recycling - Information leaflet

Bridson Horrox - Information leaflet

Mr Morris Newsletters – 239 240 241 242 243 244 245 246 247 248 249 250

Any other Business –

Mr Radcliffe proposed that we do not participate in the transfer of functions from Central Government to Local Authorities.

The clerk updated the members regarding the Crossags Lane. A letter was sent dated 21.08.15, asking the Golf Club who own the hedges to cut them within 14 days. The clerk advised that she had checked on Monday 7th September, but no cutting had been carried out. The clerk asked what to do next. The members suggested that we contact them asking for a meeting to find a way forward.

Date for next meeting The next meeting was arranged for Thursday 1st October at 7pm.

As the Police Inspector and Police Superintendent had not attended this evening as agreed the clerk is to re-arrange this for our meeting on the 1st October at 6.30pm. The clerk also advised she had received a request from Andrew Sidebottom (DEFA) to meet with the Commissioners to discuss the Claddagh. The clerk was asked to organise a meeting with him for 6pm.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm

Signed.....Chairman

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