

## **Unconfirmed**

The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners Meeting held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2014, at 7.00pm, The Community Hall, Clenagh Road, Sulby, Lezayre.

Members present: Mrs. V A Quane (Vice Chairman), Mr. A D Radcliffe, Mr K Brew and Mrs H Reeve. Mrs M Rimmer the Clerk took the minutes. Mrs Quane chaired the meeting, as Mr A Brew (Chairman) was delayed. There were two members of the public and no members of the press in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meetings held on the 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

## **Matters arising from the minutes**

The clerk advised the members that Grant Thornton Limited (Government Auditors) had been granted an initial period of 3 years with 2 annual options each to extend for a further year, so possibly 5 years in total.

The clerk advised that she had obtained a price for the smiley face speed sign £6000.00 from Kevin Almond. He is sending us some information about the siting and placement of these signs.

Part of the grandstand at Sulby Bridge still remains. The clerk is still chasing to see if permission will be needed in the future. Still no reply.

The clerk was asked to check if permission of any kind was required for the sign erected in the field belonging to Mrs Hughes on the St Judes Road.

Mr J Teare. Ditches - The clerk advised the members that she had received an email from Chris Lally confirming that he is meeting with Mr Cockain to discuss ditches.

## **Correspondence**

### **Isle of Man Government**

**Department Economic Development – Minerals Act 1986(as amended)** Notice of intention by Department of Economic Development to exercise its powers to grant metalliferous mineral prospecting licences over four distinct prospecting areas of land owned by the Department of Environment Food and Agriculture namely Snaefell Prospect, Glen Crammag Prospect, Sartfell Prospect and Glen Rushen Prospect.

**Tourism Division** Changes to gradings for camp sites and hostels – We are now Accredited – New Certificate and Plaque to be displayed.

### **General Registry**

Legal Aid Committee – Legal Aid Consultation Closing date 28<sup>th</sup> November 2014. Mr Radcliffe proposed and Mr A Brew seconded that the clerk write to the Legal Aid office to find out the cost of Legal Aid to the taxpayer.

Revision to Register of Electors – East and West 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014

**Department of Home Affairs** – Consultation on Police Codes Closing date 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2014

**Andreas Parish Commissioners** – Civic Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at 11.15am, Andreas Parish

Church. Mrs Quane will attend

**Jurby Parish Commissioners** – Civic Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 11am, Jurby Parish Church Mrs Quane will attend

**Municipal Association** – ideas for alternative Civic Sunday.

**Data Protection Supervisor** – Renewal for K Brew. Mr Brew signed the renewal.

**Mr Morris Newsletters** – 179 180

Anne Hughes – advising problems with ditches to the rear of her land on the St Judes Road. Came to clear her ditches but found them blocked at both ends. Can we help at all? Mr Radcliffe declared an interest, as he owns land alongside this site. In the past he had cleared the very ditch under discussion. Mr Radcliffe and Mr A Brew advised the members that they had met today on site along with the clerk and Mr McKinley who also has land here. He had also spoke with them regarding the same ditch. It was noted on site that the ditch to the rear of Mr Brew's land (adjoining Mr McKinley's) had been filled in. Small pipes under could be seen. A few hen houses were now in place. On further investigation it was noticed that where this ditch meets a main ditch to the north (Mr Brew's side) and to the south (Mrs Hughes side) these were both blocked and need to be cleared. Mrs Quane proposed and Mr A Brew seconded that we contact Mr Chris Lally (Manx Utilities) to ask him to investigate the whole site advising the various landowners of their responsibilities for their ditches. Do the Commissioners have any powers that can be used in connection with ditches?

Woodland Trust – Looking for a piece of land for a scheme called “New Tree of Life field for Memorial and Celebration”. Mrs Quane advised the members that the arboretum on Sulby Claddagh is for this purpose. The clerk was asked to write to the Woodland Trust making them aware of this site. The clerk was asked to place a copy of this letter in the notice board for “Public Interest”.

### **Any other Business**

**Remembrance Sunday** The clerk was asked to contact Brian Evans Smith to organise a service at the War Memorial on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 10.45. Refreshments would be served at the Vicarage after the service. Mr K Brew offered to raise the Union Jack Flag at the War Memorial and at Ballabrooie for this event. They would be left up for the 11<sup>th</sup> November.

Mr A Brew asked the clerk to contact the North West Chronicle as he had noticed that they had reported the Fun Day held during Ramsey Week but not reported on our Sulby Claddagh Fun Day.

The clerk explained to the members that Mr Eddie Christian had called to the office to check about the barriers at the Ballabrooie Estate during the TT and MGP festival. Apparently the Commissioners had written a letter to Sean Council advising against allowing some of the barriers to be left up permanently (across grass area at entrance) as it was a Health and Safety Issue. This was in 2010. The clerk advised that she does not remember writing such a letter. Neither did the Commissioners recall this. The clerk is to contact Shaun Council (ACU) and Paul Moore to obtain a copy of this letter.

The clerk advised the changes to advertising plans.

***“Following a review of the Department’s practices and procedures please be aware that after Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2014 the Department will no longer be publishing a list of all planning applications via the IOM Courier.”***

***“From 17<sup>th</sup> October the Department will meet its statutory obligation by publishing the weekly list of planning applications, in its continuing form, via the Department’s website, offices of the local authorities and local libraries.”***

Various comments were made by the Commissioners regarding the withdrawal of advertising. Not all parishioners have internet access. Public interest taken away. Planning advertising should remain in local press.

Mr K Brew asked the clerk to obtain a price for the notice boards to be re-varnished as they were looking a bit tired. The painted road sign at Kella Close is flaking again.

Mr Cain (member of public) advised the Commissioners that people are using Motorbikes on the Public Right of Way from the village to the Claddagh, up Ballamanaugh Road and to the hills. Some riders may be underage and uninsured. The footpath at the village end is 1m wide but once on the other side it is up to 3m wide. This is a health and safety problem for pedestrians using the PROW for dog walking etc. Mr A Brew proposed and Mrs Quane seconded that we write to the Chief Constable regarding this with a copy letter to the Inspector Darril Pearson. Mr Cain also advised the Commissioners about a caravan that had stayed on the Claddagh for 48 nights. Was there not a 2 week limit to stay on the Claddagh? Mr K Brew proposed that we write to Graham Watson (Defa) to check the records of visitors. Mrs Quane advised that she would also speak with Mr Jolly.

The clerk updated the Commissioners regarding the problem with the smell from the foul sewage pumping station in the village. A team from Manx Utilities are to visit the site and pour on disinfectant which should clear the smell. When this has been carried out they are to contact the clerk to let her know, so that she can advise the residents in the village. They could then hopefully experience no smell.

Mr J Teare (member of public) advised the Commissioners regarding ditches. Landowners should apply to the drainage engineer before undertaking any alterations to ditches. For flood alleviation ditches can be dredged during August and September. Undergrowth cut between December and February. Mr Teare agrees with the Commissioners regarding planning information. It should be printed in the local papers. He also advised the members of a photograph display from the 1900 at the Ramsey Town Hall. Very interesting.

Date for next meeting The next meeting was arranged for Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 7pm but if extra time was required by the clerk it would be delayed until the 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 7pm.

There being no further business the chairman closes the meeting at 8.30pm.

Signed.....Chairman

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