

The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners Meeting held on Thursday 3rd September 2020, at 7.00pm, The Community Hall, Clenagh Road, Sulby, Lezayre.

Members present: Mr A D Radcliffe (Chairman), Mrs V A Quane (Vice Chairman), Mr K Brew, Mrs 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 August 6th 2020, 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 on the following items:-

Kella Road – Still need to organise drive with Arthur – call to organise

The clerk confirmed she had replied to the response from DOI in relation to our original letter. Lack of progress on various roads and clarification regarding high hedges and trees.

Not contacted Chris Cave regarding LA matters etc.

Speeding Sulby Old Village – Information now received – The members studied the speed information from the counts. All agreed that the clerk is to seek the view of DOI with regard to the data.

Parish Pantry – sent email 12.08.20 requesting completion of paperwork and documents – not heard back yet

Called Chris Cave re speeding in St Marks, suggesting he gathers all island information from DOI

Committees/Boards – confirmation received from Local Government Unit that minutes should be available to us.

The clerk advised that she has again chased Alan Hardinge DOI in relation to the ditch on the Claddagh Road between Allandale Farm and Allandale House.

Correspondence

Isle of Man Government

Public Consultations

Cabinet Office –

- Courts, Tribunals and Local Authority Procedures and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill 2020 – **closing 14.09.20**

– Civil Contingencies Bill 2020 – The clerk was asked to respond stating that it was the Commissioners opinion that the “Governor” should make the final decision, after taking advice from the Council of Ministers. **Closing 02.10.20**

Department of Health and Social Care

- Capacity Policy – The members discussed this and had a few points to raise. Does Power of Attorney end when the individual passes away? – can Power of Attorney be changed prior to any change in an individuals capacity? Policy currently in place needs help to steer through. **closing 02.10.20**

Department of Environment Food and Agriculture

Local Authority – receipt of electronic copy of planning applications. The members agreed that at this time they still wish to receive paper copies of all planning applications. The clerk advised the members that she has chased up contact with the “digital strategy” launched a few years ago, where surplus IT equipment could be made available to those in need.

Department of Infrastructure –

Local Government Unit (on behalf of DEFA) – Cushag Code. The members discussed how to proceed. Cut all areas this year, but ask our contractor to make notes regarding its location. Spray next year. 1st August was mentioned for the noxious weeds, but we are only to cut hedges/verges from 1st September, unless road safety is involved. Miss Radcliffe asked for a copy of this document.

Minister Tim Baker Copy email received in connection with the condition of the Clenagh Road. Noted, supporting our concerns regarding lack of maintenance to this road.

Highways

Highway Services – overhanging bush Glen Auldyn Road. The clerk explained the course of events dealing with this matter ending with the landowner advising that the MUA who are currently working on this road, have agreed to deal with it.

Following contact by a local resident, the clerk had contacted DOI regarding the PROW from Clenagh Road towards Wildlife Park asking for it to be cut back. Previously all calls to DOI regarding this section were accepted. On this occasion DOI advised that this section was in private ownership and would therefore not be maintained by them. Subsequently a further call was received that DOI are now looking further into ownership of stretch of 363 PROW from Clenagh Road towards Wildlife Park.

Application for temporary 50mph speed limit A3 Rhencullen to Sulby 14.09.20 to 18.09.20 for road gully maintenance – slow moving plant.

Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team – Community Partnership meeting 08.09.20 9.30am. Mrs Quane asked the members if they had any issues that they would like her to raise – Not at this time.

Tynwald Commissioner for Administration – further information regarding complaints procedures. The clerk advised the members that she thought she had misled them in relation to the complaints procedure. An extract from the Local Authority Handbook advises that we should keep a register, which would be used when complaints are received about the standard of service, actions or lack of action by the LA. The clerk was asked to respond advising that we have now a complaints procedure in place.

Ballaugh Commissioners – (originally from DOI) report received re grass growing in middle of highway on Curragh Road. The clerk explained the situation which the Commissioners discussed. The members all agreed that the grass growing in the centre of the highway was not their responsibility.

Isle of Man Newspapers – In the Spirit of Community Kindness – show at Gaiety Theatre

Sulby Glen Road – concerns regarding safety for pedestrians. The clerk was asked to respond advising that we will shortly be undertaking hedge cutting and road sweeping in this area and that they should check the age that children should cycle to school.

Area around Ginger – concerns regarding state of roadside and pathways. The clerk was asked to respond that we will shortly be undertaking road sweeping in this area and to also write to the

Ginger Hall Hotel Landlord pointing out the issues raised.

The clerk advised the members that she has recently reported to DOI regarding potholes along the Claddagh road and also blocked gullies and ditches in the banana area of the Claddagh.

Information Commissioner – renewal for Mrs Quane

Date for next meeting – Thursday 1st October 2020

Any Other Business

Cronk Summark – heritage sign missing – The clerk was asked to contact Manx National Heritage to enquire about the missing sign and also who looks after the footpath to the summit.

Drainage Ditch – Ballamanagh Close and Ginger Hall site – concerns regarding the lack of maintenance of this ditch by riparian land owners. The clerk explained that she had contacted DOI and also MUA . MUA have agreed to write to the various landowners advising their maintenance obligations.

Mrs Quane raised the matter of the fence at the Ginger Hall site around Mr Sweeney’s Land. The clerk is to write asking him to make repairs to the fence.

The clerk raised the matter of various problem areas around the parish. Footpaths on Jurby and Andreas Road. - in need of another spray – to be organised and assessed following the spray. Short stretch of road by Cass-y-cronk on the Jurby Road, build up of road debris etc. The clerk was asked to seek a price to have this removed. Some of our parish signs are in need of cleaning/maintenance etc. The clerk was asked to contact Andrew Livesey to deal with these on our behalf. Mrs Quane asked if the ivy hanging into the road by the old bus shelter on the Jurby Road could be removed.

The clerk advised the members regarding the hall fire doors. They have developed a problem when closing. Mr Brew took a quick look and agreed to call to the hall on Friday to try to rectify the problem.

Mr Teare advised the members that he had visited the Ballacaley Road to look and the newly installed posts and chain. He had asked the clerk to seek confirmation from DOI that an engineer would assess the area in relation to health and safety, as the installation had made the road very narrow.

Mrs Quane advised the members that the exhibition to mark the 400th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower and the Standish Family was all organised for the 5th and 6th September in the Lezayre Church.

Mr Radcliffe asked the clerk to write to DOI regarding the tall and overhanging trees on the Ballacaley Road – all members agreed.

Mr Brew asked the members to reflect on the passing of a former Commissioner, Ian Whittaker who had served the parish for 6 years from 1989 to 1995.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

Signed.....Chairman Date.....