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The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners Public meeting held on Thursday 4th August 2022 at 7.00pm, The Community Hall, Clenagh Road, Sulby, Lezayre.

Members present:, Mr K Brew (Chairman), Mr J Teare (Vice Chairman), Mrs V A Quane and Miss Westall, who arrived at 7.15pm. Mr P Halpin did not attend and had given his apologies at the last meeting. Mrs M Rimmer the Clerk took the minutes. There were no members of the press and no members of the public in attendance at the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 7th July 2022, having being circulated, were taken as read and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the minutes

Vermin Sulby Glen – The clerk updated the members on progress. Still no response from the landowner. Sign now on order from Colas. No chickens on site when passed by the clerk recently. The members had previously considered the Draft By Law received from the LGU and the clerk had advised LGU the wording needed to clarify areas where feeding of birds cannot take place. LGU had also confirmed previously regarding the necessary wording for the authorised officer etc. Waiting to hear back from the LGU.

Car Park – work to wet area under kitchen window – The clerk advised this was still delayed and would organise the work to be carried out after out Jubilee event. The members asked for this to be carried out before the winter months and weather changes.

Highway Maintenance Charter– still to compile our letter with points regarding poor service etc- our policy on local services in progress.

Weight Limit Sign – Tholt y Wil – bridge – Weight limit signs for this bridge had been checked by the clerk on a recent journey to Douglas. Signs exist on entry to the narrow section, travelling south and also from the mountain from travelling north. There is not a sign at Sulby crossroads. Clerk to report and request a sign is put in place.

Speed Limit Review – Sulby Village – Minor improvements committee next met on 13th July 2022 when they considered our request for a zebra crossing and ways to encourage the correct speed limit of drivers through our village. The Clerk advised that an officer had called from DOI to advise that the Committee were to consider a crossing at the location near the school and church. The clerk pointed out that we require a crossing to be located in the village. DOI office to go back the to Committee and advise correct location. In the meantime, DOI officer suggested we seek feedback from our residents in the village what type and where they might like a crossing to be placed. Negative aspects should be pointed out. Loss of parking, flashing beacons. The members agreed that the clerk could create a post on facebook to gather the thoughts of the residents.

Glen Auldyn – resident requesting 20mph speed limit – Letter submitted requesting 20mph speed limit. Reply received advising it has been forwarded to

the Traffic Technician for assessment. This could take 6 months to complete.

Cabinet Office – Publication of the Draft Area Plan for the North and West – The clerk advised the cabinet office had offered dates when they could come and present regarding the North and West Plan, not only to the Commissioners, but to the wider public should they wish to attend. Dates offered by the Commissioners are 17th August and 10th August. Clerk to advise cabinet office of these dates and confirmation that they can attend. Once agreed, clerk to advertise to the public so they can attend.

Police Headquarters – Steven Maddocks – improve street lighting. Email received outlining an accident that happened during the TT festival where a walker was hit by a vehicle. Would additional/longer light up time have prevented this. The clerk advised she had contacted MUA regarding the feasibility of the additional time for lighting. MUA would need to know which lights we would like to include. The members agreed for one light to be considered – Sulby Bridge. Clerk to advise MUA and wait for feedback.

Solar Panels – The clerk had been asked to seek information regarding the installation of solar panels. The clerk confirmed that under permitted development solar panels can be erected on a roof slope.

Ramsey Boundary Extension – The members agreed a couple of dates to hold a meeting with the Policy Committee of the Ramsey Town Commissioners to gain a better understanding of their long term plan. The document provided does not explain it very well. Suggested dates 16th or 18th August 7pm start. Clerk to advise Ramsey clerk.

Glen Auldyn Residents

– Nuisance sheep. The clerk advised she had written to DEFA for some guidance. Our email had been passed to the relevant officers who would be in touch in due course.

– parking at exit from Milntown on Glen Auldyn Road – obstruction. The clerk advised she had written to Milntown pointing out the issue with parked cars, suggesting no parking cones and perhaps seek advice from DOI to see if DYL's could be installed.

Flag Pole – The clerk advised that one of our contractors would be willing to install our flag pole at the suggested location, but we should contact “Dial before you dig” to be sure of underground pipes etc. Clerk to contact the necessary services.

Hanging Baskets – The members agreed that new hanging baskets could be put out. The clerk advised that we have some empty baskets to the rear of our building that could be used. Mrs Quane agreed to organise.

Mrs Quane advised that one of the Trees of our WWI memorial planting needed attention. Mr Brew to have a look.

Miss Westall commented that the Jurby Road was much improved since it had been resurfaced and hoped the rest would be as good.

Mr Teare enquired regarding the footpath onto the Millrace. The clerk advised that she had visited the footpath to review the area. Build up of leaves etc, ivy growth on fence, but not narrowing the path. She had reported it onto DOI for clearing. No 12 fence does lean out onto the main footpath. Clerk to write to owners asking them to clear fence of ivy and repair leaning fence.

Correspondence

Isle of Man Government

Cabinet Office –

Elections (Local Authorities) Regulations 2022 – Training offered The clerk advised the training would be offered to those authorities wishing to hold a by election in the first instance and then other authorities after.

Housing & Communities Board Meetings with Island Commissioners – Q & A Sessions. Mrs Quane and Miss Westall to attend. North session – Tuesday 13th September 2022 at Jurby Community Centre at 7pm.

Corporate Gazetteer Custodian – Planning addresses showing Ramsey – not Lezayre. The clerk explained the reasoning behind this issue which advised the postal address for planning applications is given by the post office. (in line with the postman's walk/delivery). The clerk explained that it makes a nonsense of the parishes. The members suggested that we ask for Lezayre, Nr Ramsey to be shown, which then gives the identity of Lezayre.

Consultation – Proactive Publication of Information – The clerk was asked to circulate this information to the members. Comments for the next meeting. Closing on 9th September 2022.

Department for Enterprise

Second consultation for the proposed Isle of Man TT Races 2023 Race Schedule. The members asked the clerk to respond advising that the Commissioners wish the schedule to remain exactly as it is.

Department of Environment Food and Agriculture

Animal Health Avian Influenza – Guidance – noted

Sawmill – Christmas Tree – next meeting.

Planning and Building Control – Feedback on enforcement case, Rule Lane. Now resolved – unauthorised works removed.

The members discussed a recent court case for horse neglect involving Mrs Megson operating from Hilton Croft. The site had been reported by the Commissioners to DEFA as an enforcement case as the site was being used for business, but was only approved for private use. The members asked the clerk to discuss this with Mr Johnston MHK who is on the Environment and Infrastructure Policy Review Committee.

Home Affairs Consultation on changes to alcohol and events licenses

Department of Infrastructure

Highways

A14 Tholt y Will Road (Lezayre) Temporary Closure - from 6am on 1st August 2022 until 6pm on 14th August 2022. Road will only be closed for a total of 2 ½ days during this period. Exact date will be weather dependant.

Application for a Temporary Traffic Regulations Notice – A18 Mountain Road – 15th August 2022 to 20th August 2022 Between 6.16pm and 10.15pm **Signed notice received** – on notice board

Temporary imposition of 40mph speed limit – A1 Douglas to Peel Road (German) & A3 Kirk Michael to Ramsey Road (Michael, Ballaugh & Lezayre) from **6am 8th August 2022 until 6pm on 13th August 2022** On notice board.

Request to cut grass verges on Garey Road (south of the river side) verge masters hidden. Request sent to our contractor.

Flood Management Division - Glen Auldyn Watercourse – Vegetation and Tree Clearance – for information only

Treasury -

Confirmation of 2nd supplemental List for 2022

Income tax poster to remind submission of tax returns by 6th October 2022 on notice board

Office of the Clerk of Tynwald – Environment and Infrastructure Policy

Review Committee - feedback re letter we submitted regarding Planning and Building control being more joined up, along with enforcement issues. They are making further enquiries to suggestions made in our letter.

The clerk spoke to the members regarding a recent case about Mrs Megson who had operated at stables in The Garey area. The site did not have approval for business use and we had reported as enforcement in 2017. The clerk was asked by the members to speak with Mr Johnston MHK regarding this case, suggesting improvements to the system.

RTLK – Goods vehicles ADN No 33 No Lezayre Issues

Douglas Borough Council (DBC) – Feedback re non payment of swimming pool rates for the NSC swimming pool. DBC advise that the land was conveyed to the Government for a nominal consideration for the NSC to be built, which was a very large piece of valuable land in good condition. The clerk was asked to seek a document to support this agreement. Was the arrangement in perpetuity

Rosborough Insurance – Amalgamation with Heritage Insurance – no changes - Renewal Form (exp 30.09.22) To be completed by the clerk.

Manx Telecom – Telephone kiosk Kella – The clerk was asked to check back on previous correspondence in relation to this.

Fairway Construction - Request to approve name - Parsonage Grove. The members did not support the suggested name. They agreed to No's 1 to 7 The Parsonage, to acknowledge the history of the site.

Information Commissioner – renewal for Miss Westall

Glen Auldyn Resident – requesting road sweep – The clerk was advised to wait until later in the year after hedge cutting and leaf fall.

Glen Auldyn Resident – comment on North and West Area Plan in relation to Environmental constraints.

Narradale – Traffic on road – protected verges. The clerk was asked to resurrect our original correspondence with DOI (passing places) and speed straps, DEFA verges. Also write to Mr Huxham regarding traffic etc.

Any other business

Sky Hill – enforcement/environmental issues The clerk updated the members on the current situation. New noise forms need to be completed. Clerk to ask complainants to gather new data.

NCAS Next meeting 11th August 2022 7pm Ramsey Town Hall – This meeting advised to our representative. The clerk also pointed out an outstanding matter from the last meeting in relation to a clause within the Joint Committee Agreement. Previously our members had voted for this clause to remain within the agreement. Clerk to prepare minute extract and send to Ramsey Town Commissioners, who manage the site.

Items from recent Clerk Forum

Code of Conduct for members– The clerk advised the Commissioners that Mrs Jackie Weaver had given an overview/share of experiences and best practice on this subject. There had been some bad experiences for clerks in some authorities. The clerk advised that all is well for her in Lezayre

Local Government Amendment Bill – Going to House of Keys

Swimming Pools – Mr Thomas had attended at the start of the meeting and there was a short discussion on this subject. Three orders for North, West and South Pools would be in Tynwald Court for approval tomorrow (19th August 2022) The clerk read a short section of the Hansard from the court Mr Glover - “the 2.5pence to six pence is discretionary. It does not mean to say it goes up from 2 ½ to six, it can be anywhere in between there, or stay at 2 ½. I just want to make that clear”.

Disclosure of information – The clerks at the clerk forum meeting were informed that this practice was occurring at an authority. The clerk reminded the members present of section 65 of the Local Government Act 1985 of the rules around disclosure of information.

Date for next meeting It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Thursday 8th September 2022 at 7pm.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.00pm.

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