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| GARFF PARISH DISTRICT COMMISSIONERSMinutes of the Mid-Monthly MeetingWednesday 19th October 2016 7.00 pm | | |
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| **Present:** Mr N. Dobson (ND) (Chairman), Mr R. Moughtin (RM) (Vice Chairman),  Mrs M. Fargher (MF), Mr P. Kinnish (PK), Mr. T. Kenyon (TK)  Mrs J. Pinson (JPN).  **In Attendance**: Mr P. Burgess (PB) Clerk. Mr M.Royle (MR) Deputy Clerk/RFO,  **Apologies:** Mr. S. Clague,(SC), Mr L. Miller (LM), Mr J. Quayle (JQ).  Mrs Julie Peel (JPL) Housing Manager. | | |
|  | Meeting commenced at 7.04 pm. |  |
| **119/16** | **Planning Matters** |  |
|  | **Planning Applications** |  |
|  | 16/01139/A - **Fields 612728 & 612727, off Baldrine Road**, AiP, residential development for 7 units and creation of access road.  *The provision in the area plan for development of this field was noted. Members requested that a request be submitted for a proportion of affordable housing to be included as part of the development to assist first time buyers.* |  |
|  | 16/01140/B - **7 Ard Reayrt, Laxey,** Installation of fuel storage tank, boiler and flue (retrospective).  *No objection.* |  |
|  | 16/01149/B - **6 Church Close, Lonan**, Replacement of existing conservatory roof.  *No objection.* |  |
|  | 16/01178/B, **Vacant Plot, Ballagorry Drive**, Glen Mona, Maughold, in respect of approval in principle for the erection of a detached dwelling addressing means of access. Submission by 11th November 2016.  *No objection.* |  |
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|  | **Approval Notices (DoI Planning Committee)** |  |
|  | 16/00757/B - **Brook Cottage, 65 Mines Road, Laxey**; Approved 12.10.16. *Noted.* |  |
|  | 16/00978/B - **Valley View, Baldhoon Road, Laxey**; Approved 13.10.16. *Noted.* |  |
|  | 16/00791/B - **Lower Ballachrink, Abbey Lane, Laxey**; Approved 13.10.16. *Noted.* |  |
|  | 16/00797/B **Berberis Cottage** Erection of a replacement dwelling (amendment to 15/00857/B) Approved 18.10.16. |  |
|  | 16/00746/B, **Ballacreg, Dreemskerry Hill**, Maughold. Alterations and erection of extension to dwelling. Approved 19.10.16. |  |
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|  | **Refusal Notices (DoI Planning Committee)** |  |
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|  | **Appeal Notices (DoI Planning Committee)** |  |
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|  | **Planning Enforcement (DoI Planning and Building Control)** |  |
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| **120/16** | **Approval of Minutes** |  |
|  | *The minutes of the mid monthly meeting held on Wednesday 19th October 2016 were examined for accuracy. MF observed that the minutes did not make it clear that the Archdeacon had confirmed that, whatever the future of Lonan Parish Church, the burial ground would not be disturbed. This was noted on the minutes before the Chairman. It was unanimously Resolved that in this amended form they represented a correct statement of events.*  *Proposed* ***RM****, Seconded* ***MF****.* |  |
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| **121/16** | **Matters Arising & Other Business** |  |
|  | Minute Reference 111/16 – Christ Church perimeter road resurfacing.  *A brief discussion took place and the Clerk advised a meeting would be arranged with representatives and an officer from the Department of Infrastructure and that the Local Government Unit had advised that the Commissioners should seek legal advice on the vires of paying for works to property owned by the church.* |  |
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| **122/16** | **General Correspondence** |  |
|  | **Trees and High Hedges delegation to Garff –** Local Government email dated 11th October 2016. The delegations from the DOI to Laxey, Lonan and Maughold under the Trees and High Hedges Act 2005, are currently still in place. These need to be revoked as they are no longer relevant. Commissioners to give consideration to ‘Garff’ accepting the delegation under the same details as for the former Authorities.  *It was Resolved to accept the delegation under the same details as the former Authorities.* |  |
|  | **Proposed Road Traffic Order for Old Laxey Hill** – Extension of the double yellow line from the southern boundary of No.1 Glen Road Cottages for a distance of 29 metres in a northerly direction. Comments by 27th October 2016.  *Resolved to note.* |  |
|  | **Great Laxey Mines Railway Co** – Letter of thanks for the recent support provided by the Commissioners.  *Resolved to note.* |  |
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| **123/16** | **Officers Reports** |  |
|  | **Cranleigh Ville Site, Glen Road, Laxey –** Report circulated.  *The Clerk highlighted that a resident had come forward with a proposal to use the site for both a flood eluviation scheme and off road parking and that Hon Mr Martyn Perkins MHK, had visited the site prior to meeting with the Head of Valuation and Asset Management at Treasury. It was confirmed that there was a will to investigate uses for the site and the Clerk continue to liaise with Mr Perkins. It was resolved to note the Report on the Cranleigh Ville site.* |  |
|  | **Laxey Dog Bylaws Control Bylaws 2007 –** Current Bylaws due to expire31th October 2017. Consideration to be given to renewing the bylaw which will extend the coverage to the whole of Garff Sheading, in particular section 6(1)(a), which require the keeper of a dog to remove any faeces deposited by the dog on the highway or any other area or beach described in the order. See appendix B.  *A discussion took place and it was Resolved the individual Commissioners would give the matter further consideration and report back to the meeting on 2nd November. The Clerk advised that once drafted the amended bylaws would need to go out to public consultation.* |  |
|  | **Refuse Contract from April 2017 –** Current contract with Kinrade Haulage expires 31st March 2017.  *A discussion took place and it was Resolved that the contract would be put out to tender and advertised in the local press.* |  |
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| **124/16** | **Health and Safety / Maintenance Matters** |  |
|  | **Health and Safety - Update from Deputy Clerk -** *The Clerk advised that Pegasus had recently undertaken a Health and Safety Audit of the Authority policies and procedures, including Cooil Roi and that the report would be circulated once it had been received. The Clerk advised that there was nothing major to report. Resolved to note.* |  |
| **b)** | **Promenade Toilets/Shelter Roof Replacement**. - *The Clerk advised that a third quotation had been received and recommended that the quotation from R.M. Barlow Ltd be accepted. A discussion took place and it was Resolved to obtain a cost to include insulation.*  *Proposed* ***JP****, Seconded* ***MF****.* |  |
| **c)** | **Alterations to gating/fencing at Laxey Promenade Play Area. -** *The Clerk briefed the**Commissioners on the meeting with staff from Trinity Nursery and the proposals to fence off an additional area to the rear and side of the exiting play area. The cost of the additional fencing was estimated to be small and other works would be carried out by volunteers from the nursery. The area would be accessible to the public at all times and would benefit all those using the amenities on the Promenade. A discussion took place and it was Resolved to progress the proposed works.* |  |
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| **125/16** | **In Private** |  |
| **127/16** | **Chairman’s Report** |  |
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| **128/16** | **Finance Report** |  |
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| **129/16** | **Any Other Business** |  |
|  | **Resident** – Regarding concerns with parking and speeding on Ramsey Road, Laxey.  *It was Resolved to place this item on the agenda for the forthcoming Northern Traffic Management Liaison Group meeting.* |  |
|  | **Hon. Martyn Perkins MHK, Hon Daphne Caine MHK –** Request for use of space at offices to hold political surgery.  *A discussion took place and it was noted this would be to the benefit of Garff residents and it was Resolved to approve the request and provide the Boardroom free of charge.* |  |
|  | **Laxey Fire Station Firework display -** Annual Donation towards firework display. In 2015 Laxey donated £300.00 and Lonan £325.00.  *It was Resolved to give a donation of £650.00 towards the event.* |  |
|  | **Local Authority Clerks HR forum –** Commissioners to give consideration to supporting a recommendation to write to the Public Service Commission and request that Local Authorities should be represented. Currently the larger employing Authorities are represented on the Joint Consultative Committee (JCC) which sits under the PSC, but they don’t have any direct representation. It was suggested that as the largest employer representation would be from Douglas Borough Council.  *A discussion took place and it was Resolved to support the recommendation to write to the Public Service Commission stating the Commissioners support the proposal for Local Authority representation on the PSC.* ***RM*** *to raise the matter at the next Municipal Association meeting.* |  |
|  | **Approval of Statement of Accounts Year Ending 30th April 2016.**   * Laxey Village Commissioners * Maughold Parish Commissioners * Lonan Parish Commissioners   Approval of Statement of Accounts - The Audited Statements of Accounts for the Year End 30th April 2016 presented to the Board for approval.  The Clerk, having advised the Members that the Statements of Accounts had been received from the Independent Auditor, seeks Resolution from the Board to approved and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Finance Officer.  *It was Resolved to provisionally approve the accounts present and circulate via email for comment. Any comments to be forward to the Clerk no later than 4pm on Monday 24th October. Once any queries have been answered the Accounts to be signed by the Chairman and Responsible Finance officer.* |  |
|  | **Commissioners Office Building – PK** requested that the Commissioners give consideration to discussing the building at a future meeting. It was Resolved the Clerk write a report on the building and that individual Commissioners contact the Clerk to arrange to view the interior of the building and that the matter be place on the agenda for discussion at a meeting in January 2017. **JP** requested that it be recorded that she had concerns regarding the potential environmental impact should the building be left empty, with no planned future use. |  |
|  | Meeting Closed at 9.25pm |  |
|  | Date of Next Meeting: 2nd November 2016 |  |