

GARFF PARISH DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday 1st November 2017, 7.00 pm

Minutes of the Meeting

Present: Mrs M. Fargher (MF) (Chair), Mr T Kenyon (TK), Mr P. Kinnish (PK),
Mr L. Miller (LM), Mr R. Moughtin (RM), Mrs J. Pinson (JP), Mr. J. Quayle (JQ),
Officers: Mr P. Burgess (PB), Clerk, Mr M. Royle (MR), Deputy Clerk/RFO, Mrs Julie Peel (JP)
Housing Manager.

Apologies: Mr N. Dobson (ND), Mr S. Clague (SC).

109/17	Planning Matters	
	Planning Applications	
a)	PA 17/01109/B – Land adjacent to Westwood, New Road, Laxey, IM4 7HS. Erection of a detached dwelling. <i>The size of the proposed dwelling in relation to the plot were noted and discussed. It was noted that there was on-site parking. No objections were raised.</i>	
b)	PA 17/00959/B Ballacregga Barn, Agneash, Erection of a detached garage with playroom above and installation of replacement windows and door to dwelling. Amended Plans received. <i>There were no objections to this application.</i>	
c)	PA 17/01121/B Baldrine Equestrian Centre, Baldrine Farm, Baldrine Road, Installation of horse exerciser. <i>The impact of this structure was considered. It was noted that the site was an established equestrian centre. It was agreed to reserve further comment and leave consideration of the application to the Planning Committee.</i>	
d)	PA 17/01123/C Sycamore Lodge, Jack’s Lane, Port e Vullen, Change of Use to self-catering tourist accommodation. <i>There were no objections to this application.</i>	
e)	PA 17/01118/B Thornton Cottage, Croit E Quill Road, Alterations including raised deck, external staircase and widow/door alterations. <i>JP and TK registered an interest in this application and left the meeting for the duration of the discussion of the application. It was noted that these additions could be considered of small scale and should not have a great visual impact. No objections raised.</i>	
f)	PA 17/01136/B Field 620610, Rhowin Road, Maughold, Erection of a multi-functional agricultural shed. <i>It was noted that this structure had been approved previously. This application re-orientated the building through 90 degrees. The footprint would be the same. MF questioned whether there would be an increased visual impact. This was not felt to be the case. No objection. There followed a discussion of the increase in applications for structures in rural fields for leisure/hobby farming. It was agreed that improvements could be made to how the increase in demand for these structures was controlled by the planning process. Comment on this aspect would be made in the Commissioners' submission to the current Planning Consultation.</i>	clerks
	Approval Notices	
g)	PA 17/00913/B - Riversdale, Glen Roy, creation of wall, pillar and pedestrian access (retro.) <i>Noted.</i>	
h)	17/01010/B Mona Ville, Glen Road, Laxey, Alterations and extension to property – Approved 27.10.17. <i>Noted.</i>	
i)	17/01011/B Stroanville House, Fairy Cottage, Laxey, Alterations to external openings of property and landscaping works to garden (retrospective) – Approved 27.10.17. <i>Noted.</i>	
	Refusal Notices	

j)	17/00815/B Rhianfa, Ballafayle , Maughold, Erection of partial replacement fencing and landscaping (retrospective) – Refused 31.10.17. <i>Noted.</i>	
	Planning - Other Correspondence	
k)	Alleged Breach of planning: Field 624380, Jacks Lane , Port e Vullen – Field entrance widened. Notification of investigation received. <i>Noted.</i>	
l)	Alleged Breach of planning: Field 624256, Glen Mona Loop Road – Entrance and new gate installed. Notification of investigation received. <i>Noted.</i>	
110/17	Approval of Minutes	
a)	Approval of minutes of the meeting of 18 th October 2017 and notes of the meeting in Committee 25 th October 2017. <i>These were agreed to be a correct record of the decisions made at the meeting. Proposed, JQ. Seconded, JPN. Resolved.</i>	
111/17	Matters Arising & Other Business	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>MF commented on the operation of Kirk Michael Chippy on the coach park at Mines Road. PB confirmed that an Order was in place for that area of the car park to be designated as a coach park. MF asked if DOI had approved the use of the coach area for the mobile chippy. PB confirmed that the Department had given permission prior to the Commissioners issuing the trading licence. LM had emailed the office suggesting a further possible future location for the mobile chippy. MR reported that this and three other potential sites were being investigated, but suggested that the matter be reserved for discussion in Private Session until further progress had been made in the discussions with the private landowners. This was agreed and the matter was reserved for discussion in the Private Section of the meeting.</i> <i>TK advised that arrangements to set up a meeting to discuss the possibility of a mining museum in Laxey were ongoing and a meeting would be set up in due course.</i> 	
a)	<p>All Saints Church, Lonan – Update on progress of business case and petition process. <i>PB declared an interest due to his involvement as a Director of Laxey WMI; he left the meeting for the duration of the discussion. PK suggested that, in the absence of SC and ND, discussion of the item be reserved until the next meeting. RM pointed out that there was a quorum at this meeting which meant that the discussion could take place. MF noted that two members of the All Saints Church Sub-Committee were present. It was agreed that a discussion should take place in these circumstances.</i></p> <p><i>MR was asked to summarise progress to date. He referred to the meeting on the 18th of October at which a decision had been made to submit the petition to government to purchase All Saints Church and operate it as a community centre and festival church. Government Officers had viewed the pre-petition documents and advised that the Commissioners were close to being able to submit a petition; they had asked for several further actions which included liaising with both Treasury and the Attorney General's Office to obtain their comments on the proposals in terms of the financial and legal implications of the project. Any further instruction from the latter bodies would be carefully considered prior to the petition submission. LM asked what details of the proposals had been submitted to these bodies. MR advised that the report outlining the proposals and the business plan had been submitted to Treasury and that these same documents would be submitted to the AGs office once contact had been established. Treasury had not responded to the documents to date. MR outlined the public consultation that would take place under the terms of the petition process, advising that any public comment would be considered by government as they oversaw the process.</i></p> <p><i>JPN asked if any progress had been made with producing a 'needs assessment' for the facility. MR advised that it was the view of the sub-committee that the documents already circulated and published on-line were sufficient to indicate the need for a community focused venue and facility in Lonan. JPN disagreed stating that in her view the information currently available was</i></p>	

*inadequate; she felt that without an adequate 'needs assessment' the board could not make a correct judgement. **PK** stated that although Lonan had the Methodist Hall facility at Baldrine, it was small and the amount of residential development in the Church Road area warranted the provision of a community facility for the local population, which was growing. **JPN** added that as much as the Commissioners want to save the church building they had to prove the need for the facilities, activities and services it was proposed to provide there; she felt that this was good business sense. **TK** asked if any requests had been made to the community to ask how they would like to use the building; in this respect, the public meeting that had taken place in July was referenced. **TK** stated that the vast majority of people he had spoken to were positive and supported the proposals, both at the public meeting and in general conversations he had with ratepayers. **MR** confirmed that it was common practice to submit a 'needs assessment' when local authority petitions were submitted, particularly when large scale loans were being taken out for funding purposes; other projects usually involved a petition for substantial loans and were perceived to involve much greater risk to the ratepayer than the project currently being put forward by Garff Commissioners. **JQ** referred to the meeting taking place next week with Mr Bridson of MSR in regard to the Glen Road Recreation Centre proposal. It was anticipated that Mr Bridson would outline whether there was a need for such a facility in the Garff area, and **JQ**, **RM** and **JPN** felt that this information may be useful in assessing the need for a community facility at All Saints Church.*

***LM** had submitted correspondence by email on the 24th of October 2017 in which he sought clarification of how the shortfall in the repair costs would be met as it appeared that they would cost £84,000 when there was a sum of £67,000 being provided by the church authorities. He also asked how much the projected underwrite of £9,000 for the first three years of operation would add onto the rate. **MR** confirmed that this would be about 3p in the £. **PK** stated that this would mean an average rise on the annual rate of each property in Garff of around £4.50 per annum. **LM** also proposed that a second structural survey be undertaken before the Commissioners progressed the project.*

***RM** questioned the amount of financial detail in the figures presented so far. He questioned whether aspects such as staffing the facility in the evening had been considered effectively, and questioned whether the documents currently assembled were really adequate for the petition process to be initiated.*

***MF** read from a statement she had prepared. This began with an expression that she respected the good intention of those on the sub-committee, but outlined her reservations in regard to the progress of the project. She advised that she had concerns with the timescale of the project and felt that the project was being rushed; she felt that this had created a situation that was unfair on the Commissioners, the clerks, and the ratepayers. She stated that in her view there was not enough detail as yet assembled to share with the public and felt that the Commissioners should postpone submitting the petition until more information had been gathered. She did not feel that enough time or information had been presented for the Commissioners to consider the project and its full implications for the ratepayer. She acknowledged that a business plan had been made available in July, but questioned whether there was enough information in that document at the moment to permit adequate scrutiny of the proposals to take place. She questioned whether it was in the remit of a local authority to undertake a project to save a building, especially when the need for the facility had not, in her view, been adequately proven.*

***MF** continued saying that she supported **LM**'s suggestion for a further structural survey to be undertaken. She also stated that individual commissioners who may have a personal interest in the provision of services for works need to take care in their involvement.*

***MF** closed her statement by saying that she had been initially in favour of progressing the scheme to the petition process stage as it had elements of public consultation and independent scrutiny built in, but in retrospect she felt that the information and presented so far was not adequate to respond to the queries and expressions of concern that would be forthcoming from the public*

	<p>during the process and at any public or requisition meetings that were held; she believed that at this stage the Commissioners did not have the answers to the questions that the public would demand, particularly in terms of liability and cost.</p> <p>TK stated that there were not enough facilities in Lonan as was indicated in the project documents circulated and published on-line; adding that he felt the project should be progressed.</p> <p>PK agreed with these comments reiterating his view that there were currently very few facilities in Lonan.</p> <p>JPN advised that her gut feeling was that it was a necessary facility for Lonan but stated that she still had reservations about the manner in which the project was being advanced; she believed that more evidence was needed as a business plan could not be based on gut feeling alone. PK stated that once the facility was available its potential would be recognised by the community and it would be used; he believed that other uses would be found for it once it was operating. RM stated that this view was speculation and was not the approach that should be taken when dealing with public funds.</p> <p>MR outlined that it was the view of the the sub-committee that the project would provide a community focused venue for Lonan. Potential uses had been outlined in the documents issued and Members of the sub-committee believed that the facility would be used for a wide range of activities by the community and would achieve self-financing status over a three year period as projected in the business plan. The sub-committee had indicated in the report that, if the facility was not as successful as anticipated, then there were low financial implications for the ratepayer as no loans would be taken out to fund the project.</p> <p>LM asked if the facility was closed in the future who would be liable for any ongoing costs of repair. It was noted that repair costs would fall to the Commissioners if the building were in their ownership. RM proposed that an independent valuation of the church and a second structural survey be obtained. MF did not accept this motion at the meeting as she felt that all the issues raised in the discussion needed further consideration and discussion. No resolution was made.</p> <p>RM questioned how much discussion of the All Saints Project had taken place at the meetings of the sub-committee. TK confirmed that one meeting of the sub-committee had taken place to date. RM expressed surprise that only a single meeting had taken place.</p> <p>JPN re-stated that her comments were not at all intended to be negative; she just felt that more information needed to be provided to the Commissioners that would stand up to both government and public scrutiny.</p> <p>JQ stated that he wasn't convinced that a needs analysis would provide accurate information that could be relied upon. JPL felt that surveys could be done amongst the local population and with local groups and clubs. There followed a brief discussion of methods of research that could be used to provide a 'needs assessment' for the proposal.</p> <p>MF drew the debate to a conclusion stating that it had been a good, open discussion. It was proposed that the sub-committee should be asked to consider the concerns expressed by Members at tonight's meeting and make a response to the Board at the next opportunity on the 15th of November; when the matter would be discussed again. This was agreed.</p>	
b)	<p>Garff Commissioners Draft Statements of Accounts year end 31st March 2017 – Presented for approval. Circulated to meeting 25th October.</p> <p>Proposed JPN, Seconded, JQ. Resolved. JPN asked if thanks could be passed on to Mr Begley of SMP Tax and Accounting for his assistance with preparing the accounts which had been complicated as it was the first year the accounts of the four former authorities, Laxey, Lonan, Maughold and Cooil Roi had been integrated into accounts for the single Garff authority.</p>	
c)	<p>Laxey Village toilet facilities - Valley gardens option – Consideration of design, materials and appearance of the facility.</p> <p>Options for the exterior of the proposed building were discussed. The general consensus was that a manx-stone finish would be the preferred option. Options for the profile of the roof were also discussed The clerks were asked to liaise with the architect with a view to producing a design</p>	clerks

	<p>outline. There followed discussion initiated by JPN of whether the proposal for toilets in the Valley Gardens become the preferred option rather than for the toilet extension at the tram station. JPN referred to the fact that Laxey ratepayers money had been ring-fenced for the project to extend the tram station toilets. The general consensus was that whichever option was progressed it would be in the spirit of the former Laxey Board's intentions. PK proposed that the proposal to provide toilet facilities in the Valley Gardens become the preferred option which the Commissioners would pursue. This was seconded by TK and Resolved.</p>	
d)	<p>Isle of Man Transport – Request for input to their five year review of local bus service provision. Open invitation to a meeting with Ian Longworth if required. Previously concern has been raised in respect of the no. 13 service and that the timetable only allows 45 minutes Douglas before returning.</p> <p>JPL advised that the timetable of the no. 13 caused difficulties for residents of Cooil Roi. A resident had also communicated via email requesting an adjustment to the number 3 timetable.</p> <p>PB advised that no response had been made to Bus Vannin to date. It was agreed to take up Mr Longworth's offer to meet the Commissioners' Housing sub-committee at Cooil Roi with a view to discussing the operation of the no. 3 and 13 buses in Garff.</p>	
112/17	General correspondence	
a)	<p>All Saints Church, Lonan – Six emails requesting additional information/public meeting in respect of the Commissioners proposal to purchase All Saints Church. One email expressing support of the proposal. Circulated.</p> <p><i>Matters related to this item were dealt with at item 111/17.a. The emails from the public had been circulated to all Members, were noted, and would be referred to the sub-committee as part of the resolution to item 111/17.a. There followed further discussion of the need for public consultation. MF, RM and JPN commented that, in their opinion, the Commissioners needed further information and briefing from the sub-committee before the Members could take part in a public meeting. RM felt that it would more appropriate for the Commissioners to call a public meeting when the information was available. JPN requested a formal budget for the cost of progressing the All Saints Project be provided to include the cost of any further surveys or other professional fees.</i></p>	
b)	<p>All Saints Church Lonan – Liam Miller email dated 24.10.17 - stating that he Commissioners have not yet discussed where any additional monies will come from should there be a shortfall of the £67,000 promised by the church, furthermore if there is a deficiency in the running costs where will this be funded from, what would this equate to p/£ on the rate? Also do the Commissioners intend to take a second opinion on the structure of the building?</p> <p><i>This matter had been raised during the discussion indicated at item 117/17.a.</i></p>	
c)	<p>Domestic and Commercial EFW gate fees from 1st April 2017 - Department of Infrastructure Waste Management Unit email dated 20.10.17, advising an increase in tipping charges of 4.92%. This will result in a domestic waste charged at £86.95 per tonne and Commercial at £173.12 per tonne. The 4.92% increase is the annual indexation charge by SUEZ on the Department.</p> <p><i>This was noted. It was also noted that the consequence of this rise would be assessed during the rate setting process for YE 19 rates. There followed discussion of the current recycling options provided. TK asked about cardboard recycling, suggesting it was an area that could be increased across Garff. Options for increasing the number and range of bring bank recycling facilities were briefly discussed. RM referred to the 'mini-recycling centre' at the Coronoy Estate in Maughold. It was agreed that the recycling strategy was a matter that was due for re-assessment as a full agenda item. MF asked Members to bring proposals back to a meeting in due course.</i></p>	
d)	<p>Proposal to install Double Yellow Lines at the junction of Church Road and Pinfold Hill – Department of Infrastructure email dated 24.10.17, stating a number of complaints have been received regarding parked car on Church Road, close to the junction which is causing a</p>	

	<p>problem for vehicles to pass safely and creating a backlog of vehicles on the main road. Comments and recommendations invited.</p> <p><i>JPN suggested that the whole junction should be assessed with a view to 're-profiling' the road. PK referred to the NTMLG meeting taking place on the 7th of November. It was agreed to raise the matter at that meeting. MR reported that the Order was now through for DYLS in various places in Laxey. It was expected that these would be installed in the coming weeks. The Commissioners had asked for re-instatement of DYLS elsewhere where they had become unclear or obscured by resurfacing.</i></p>	
e)	<p>Laxey Fire Station Annual Bonfire and Firework Display 4th Nov – Letter dated 24th October with request to consider making a donation to the event.</p> <p><i>Last year's donation was £650. PK proposed forwarding an amount of £750 towards the event. Seconded JPN. Resolved.</i></p>	
f)	<p>National Service of Remembrance 2017 - Public Notice Two Minute Silence -</p> <p>A Two Minute Silence in remembrance of all those who have died in the service of their country will be observed in the Isle of Man at 11.00am on:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 11th November 2017 (Armistice Day) <p>and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday 12th November 2017 (Remembrance Day) <p>These were noted.</p> <p><i>PB advised that representatives from the Commissioners would be needed for the services at Lonan and in Maughold. RM advised that he would be at Maughold. TK advised that he would attend in Laxey and Lonan. It was expected that ND and SC would also attend in Lonan. MF would attend the ceremony on North Barrule at the aircraft crash site.</i></p>	
113/17	Committee Reports	
a)	<p>Municipal Association – <i>RM advised that he had raised awareness of the Recommendation 4 in the consultation on changes to local authority legislation. Mr Harmer had been in attendance.</i></p>	
b)	<p>Laxey & Lonan Heritage Trust – <i>TK advised that there were two new Members of the Trust as two Members had recently stepped down. TK briefed the Commissioners on the Trust's latest initiatives.</i></p>	
c)	Laxey & Lonan Sports and Community Facilities – <i>ntr</i>	
d)	<p>Northern Traffic Management Liaison Committee – <i>Meeting Tuesday 7th November. PK and possibly TK to attend.</i></p>	
e)	<p>Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team Community Partnership meeting – <i>ntr. Next meeting 14.11.17.</i></p>	
f)	<p>Regeneration Committee – <i>It was agreed that JPN would ask Martyn Perkins at the political surgery on 04.11.17 when the next meeting of the Committee would be.</i></p>	
g)	Eastern Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee - <i>ntr</i>	
h)	<p>Northern Civic Amenity Site – <i>RM advised that the lease for the facility had now been signed. A new diesel tank had been installed. Higher fences to 'wind-proof' the site were being considered.</i></p>	
i)	Northern Swimming Pool Board - <i>ntr</i>	
j)	Northern Area Housing steering group - <i>ntr</i>	
k)	Northern Sheltered Housing Committee - <i>ntr</i>	
l)	<p>Eastern Area Housing steering group – <i>The next meeting would be on Thursday the 9th of November at Braddan Community Hall, Union Mills, 6.00 pm. JPL, MR, TK, RM, and JPN to attend.</i></p>	JPL, MR, TK, RM, JPN,
m)	Waste Management Steering Group – <i>ntr</i>	
n)	<p>Cooil Roi Sub-Committee – Heating Reserve refund to residents, JPL to brief Commissioners. <i>JPL advised that the heating reserve had reached a high level as the new boilers, tanks and fuel type had realised large savings in recent years. The Department had</i></p>	

	<i>been petitioned and had advised a mechanism to reimburse tenants who had contributed. Similar reimbursement schemes had been successful in both Castletown and Peel. This arrangement was proposed by JPN, seconded by TK and Resolved. The reimbursement to residents would be applied prior to Christmas. JPL advised that changes to the heating timetable would be made in order to encourage residents not to use electric fires overnight, which had H&S implications. It was agreed that any resident with an 'open bar electric fire' would be asked to swap it for an oil-filled electric fire. JPL to arrange this exchange.</i>	JPL JPL
o)	All Saints Church Sub Committee – This matter had been dealt with at 111/17.a above.	
p)	Glen Road Recreation Sub-Committee – A meeting had been arranged with Paul Bridson of MS&R for Tuesday 7 th November 2017. RM, JPN, PB, ND, Mr Butt and Mr Renard to attend. TK advised that he would also be attending.	
114/17	Officer Reports	
a)	Health and Safety – MR reported that one minor injury (a trapped finger) had been reported. The integration of H&S across the organisation was continuing with the Cooil Roi and Campsite operations being drawn together through regular scheduled meetings and collation of information.	
b)	Works and Amenities – Maintenance Activity report to be circulated separately. This was noted. Daffodil planting would take place on 7 th and 9 th of November at Laxey and Dhoon Schools respectively. RM, JPN, JPL and PB to attend. MR to make arrangements.	
c)	Cooil Roi Sheltered Housing Complex – Heating Reserves JPL to report. This matter had been dealt with at 113.17.n above.	
d)	Internal Audit – Appointment of Moore Stephens to carry out Internal Audit for the financial year ending 31 st March 2018. One year or three year agreement. It was noted that this was a statutory agreement. It was agreed that Moore Stephens should undertake the audit for the coming year. Proposed JPN , seconded, RM . Resolved.	
e)	Accountancy services – Provision of accountancy services including preparation of annual Statement of Accounts. Recommendation to retain the services of SMP Tax and Accounting. It was agreed that SMP should be retained for a further year. Proposed, JPN . Seconded LM . Resolved.	
f)	Legacy Bank Accounts – Recommendation to close, bank accounts in the names of Laxey Village Commissioners, Lonan Parish District Commissioners, Maughold Parish Commissioners and transfer funds to Garff Parish District Commissioners Current account. <i>Proposed, LM. Seconded, TK. Resolved.</i>	
g)	Isle of Man Bank 35 day Notice Deposit Account – Recommendation to open deposit account in the name of Garff Parish District Commissioners, AER gross 0.5%, funds placed on notice to withdraw will attract a different interest rate. Minimum £25,000 to open and maintain. <i>Proposed JPN. Seconded TK. Resolved.</i>	
115/17	Staffing Matters	
	<i>MR reported that a quarterly appraisal of the maintenance operatives had taken place on the 6th of November 2017. PK asked about the maintenance schedule. MR advised that a copy was now being circulated to Members on a fortnightly basis. It was felt that progress was being made. PK asked if the area around the Turbine House could be cleared. MR advised that it would be placed onto the following week's list.</i>	
116/17	Chairman's Report - ntr	
117/17	Any Other Business	
a)	Employed.im – Invitation to join work experience scheme for school students.	

	<i>This was noted. Clerks to arrange. JPN suggested that Cooil Roi could also be included. This would be considered.</i>	clerks
b)	Strategy, Policy and Performance Division, DOI – Response to the request from the Commissioners for further clarification of Recommendation 4 of the Consultation on changing Local Authority legislation. <i>The email stream was noted and considered. The clerks would prepare a briefing report. RM referred to the consultation on Planning. It was agreed that this should be considered at the next meeting of the Commissioners on the 15th of November 2017.</i>	clerks clerks
c)	DOI – Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting (Amendment) Order 2017 covering parts of GlenRoad, Old Laxey Hill & Ramsey Road. <i>These matters were noted.</i>	
d)	To discuss proposals by the MUA to install a sewage treatment works in Laxey and to note the intention to undertake public consultation prior to any plans being brought forward. <i>MR advised currently the MUA were undertaking investigations into currents and tidal flows in Laxey Bay and Harbour. Public consultation would take place in due course once the MUA were in a position to bring proposals forward.</i>	
	<i>PB advised that as the meeting had reached 10.00 pm standing orders needed to be suspended to permit continuation of the meeting. This was agreed unanimously. LM left the meeting at 10.05 pm.</i>	
e)	To discuss proposals to install sewage treatment facilities to serve the outfall at Garwick. <i>MR advised that the MUA were investigating various possible sites and would advise the Commissioners once they had selected a suitable location.</i>	
f)	To discuss Laxey Fair 2018. <i>PB advised that arrangements were on schedule.</i>	
g)	Glen Road Recreation Centre Proposal – Mr Bridson of MS&R asks if he can meet with the Commissioners to brief them on the need for sports facilities in Laxey on Tuesday 7 th of November 2017 at 7.00 pm. (Mr Murley of LFC has advised he is unable to attend). <i>This matter was dealt with at item 113.17.p above.</i>	
h)	MR to update Members on progress with acquisition of the Dhoon Church Field. <i>MR advised that he would discuss access to the field with Penketh Millar Architects and revert to the Board in due course.</i>	
i)	To discuss the future of the Kirk Maughold Cross House (proposal for a visit from Mr Tony Pass). <i>MF advised that MNH and the PCC were in discussion. Proposals for the Cross-House and future care of the crosses were being prepared. It was felt that the Commissioners should wait until a proposal was brought forward by MNH. MF to ask the PCC for an update.</i>	MF
j)	To clarify 'Emergency Procedure' in Garff Sheading. <i>It was noted that if it was felt that an emergency situation had arisen then the emergency services should be summoned. If the situation was considered an emergency but did not warrant summoning Fire, Police or Ambulance then, in the first instance, MR, PB or the Chairman should be contacted and asked to evaluate the type of action needed.</i>	
k)	To discuss Response from DOI in regard to the Commissioners' request to take responsibility for maintenance of vegetation on Public Rights of Way in Garff. <i>MR reported that the Minister had advised that the legislation had been changed to permit local authorities to cut PROW. This would be investigated. It was agreed to discuss this matter at a meeting in the early spring.</i>	
l)	<i>JPL had obtained a quotation for a 'Garff Board, to be displayed and to carry the names of current and past Commissioners. This would cost £690.00. It was agreed to purchase this item as per the quotation for display in the Board Room.</i>	
118/17	Private Session	
a)	Beach Huts works –	

b)	Replacement Boardroom Chairs	
c)	Chain of Office – Quotation	
	Meeting closed at 10.33 pm. Date of next meeting:- Wednesday 15 th November 2017 at 7.00pm	

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