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| GARFF PARISH DISTRICT COMMISSIONERSMonthly MeetingWednesday 3rd August 2016 7.00 pm | | |
| Meeting Minutes | | |
| **Present:** Mr N. Dobson (ND) (Chairman), Mr R. Moughtin (RM) (Vice Chairman),  Mr. S. Clague,(SC) (arrived at 7:45pm) Mr. T. Kenyon (TK), Mrs M. Fargher (MF),  Mr P. Kinnish (PK), Mr L. Miller (LM), Mrs J. Pinson (JPN).  **In Attendance**: Mr P. Burgess (PB) Clerk. Mrs Julie Peel (JPL) Housing Manager. Mr R.Henthorn (RH)  Two members of public.  **Apologies:** Mr M.Royle (MR) Deputy Clerk/RFO. | | |
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| **67/16** | **Richard Henthorn to meet with Commissioners** – (8.00pm) **ND** welcomed Mr Henthorn to the meeting. **RH** briefed the commissioners on a number of matters relating to unfinished Regeneration works and snagging stating he was seeking support from the Commissioners to put pressure on the Department to finish the works. It was Resolved the report produced by **RH** be circulated to the Board. **RH** also briefed the meeting on the plans to commission a public art installation in the village square in the form of Axe representing King Orry and the Viking heritage. A discussion took place and it was agreed that a large round planter with a tree and seating in the centre of the square would be more appropriate. Other matters discussed included stations Kiosks being made into interactive information points, village way marking, painting the station traction poles, the scruffy nature of the area behind the coop. It was Resolved the Clerk write to Steve Rodan MHK as chairman of the Regeneration Committee and request a meeting as soon as possible. A discussion also took place with reference to organising a Garff in Bloom completion early next year. **RH** briefed the meeting on the background to the Laxey MER sub station and the group of volunteers who wished to turn it into a museum with the commissioners as lease holders for the building. It was noted that this was still at the early stages of discussion with the department. **RH** also drew the commissioners attention to the Cranleigh Ville site on Glen Road with is currently being offered for sale by Government stating it would make an ideal site for off road parking and possibly as a run off area for flood water. |  |
| **68/16** | **Planning Matters** |  |
|  | **Planning Applications** |  |
|  | **Item deferred from meeting 20.07.16 to allowing Commissioners to give further consideration. Please refer to email circulated by Clerk 27.07.16. Appeal submission by 5pm 4th July.**  **PA16/00383/B Coppertop, Booilushag,** Alterations and erection of extension to provide replacement garaging and additional living accommodation. Approved.  Contact from applicant. Clerk to brief Members.  Following briefing by the Clerk, it was Resolved to note Correspondence from the received from the application. Correspondence to be circulated and discussed at the next meeting.  A detailed discussion took place and it was Resolved no action be taken in respect of lodging an appeal against the decision. |  |
|  | **PA16/00797/B** - Erection of a replacement dwelling (amendment to 15/00857/B), Berberis, Pinfold Hill, Lonan.  It was Resolved to recommend approval of PA16/00797/B. |  |
|  | **PA16/00803/B** -. Extension & hipped roof to detached garage, Garth Cottage, Ballaragh Rd, Laxey.  It was Resolved to recommend approval of PA16/00803/B. |  |
|  | **PA16/00805/B -** Extensions to provide 2 apartments for tourist accommodation with parking, Deepdale Complex, Glen Road, Laxey.  It was Resolved to recommend approval of PA16/00805/B. |  |
|  | **PA16/00791/B** - Conversion of garage into additional living accommodation, Lower Ballachrink, Abbey Lane, Ballaragh.  It was Resolved to recommend approval of PA16/00791/B. |  |
|  | **PA16/00822/B** - Installation of replacement windows and patio door 8 Riverside Court Glen Road Laxey Isle Of Man IM4 7AG.  It was Resolved to recommend approval of PA16/00822/B. |  |
|  | **PA16/00821/B -** Alterations, conversion of existing garage to provide additional living accommodation and creation of additional windows to dwelling. Fieldhead, Glen Mona Loop Road.  It was Resolved to recommend approval of PA16/00821/B. |  |
|  | **PA16/00818/B -** Replacement of existing doors with upvc door and blockwork (retrospective), Shore Hotel, Old Laxey Hill.  It was noted that while the application was retrospective it had been necessary to carry out the works following the flood damage in December 2015. It was Resolved to recommend approval of PA16/00818/B. |  |
|  | **PA16/00828/B** - Erection of hydrotherapy pool building & adjacent covered barbecue area 9retrospective), The Old Vicarage, Lonan.  It was Resolved to recommend refusal of PA16/00828/B, this was due to the application being retrospective. |  |
|  | **PA16/00829/B** - Erection of a garden implement shed (retrospective), The Old Vicarage, Lonan.  It was Resolved to recommend refusal of PA16/00829/B, this was due to the application being retrospective. |  |
|  | **PA16/00843/B -** Erection of a building to provide workshop, store, office and a welfare facility, MER Facility, Rencell Hill, Laxey.  It was Resolved to recommend approval of PA16/00843/B. |  |
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|  | **Approval Notices (DoI Planning Committee)** |  |
|  | Please refer to weekly update dated 29.07.16. |  |
|  | **Refusal Notices (DoI Planning Committee)** |  |
|  | Nil. |  |
|  | **Appeal Notices (DoI Planning Committee)** |  |
|  | **PA15/01144/B** - Appeal against refusal for erection of fencing, Rhianfa, Ballafayle.  It was Resolved the Clerk write advising the Commissioners agree with the planning officers report and decision. |  |
|  | **Planning Enforcement (DoI Planning and Building Control)** |  |
|  | Nil. |  |
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| **69/16** | **Approval of Minutes**  Two amendments were proposed.  • 56/16 – Replace ‘Rose Gardens’ with ‘Parish of Lonan’  • 66/16 – Replace ‘MR’ with ‘MF’  The minutes of the monthly meeting held on Wednesday 20th July 2016 were examined for accuracy and following the proposed amendments it was unanimously Resolved that they represented a correct statement of events.  Proposed by: **PK**, Seconded by: **MF** |  |
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| **70/16** | **Matters Arising & Other Business** |  |
|  | **59/16, item f). Mini bus tour of Sheading –** A discussion took place and it was Resolved to use private cars and to meet at the Dhoon car park, Wednesday 10th August at 6.30pm. |  |
|  | **59/16, item e). Chain of Office – RM** was actioned to pick up the chain and deliver them to Ballajpra artists. |  |
|  | **Village Notice Boards** – A discussion took place with respect to the report on notice boards circulated by email on 29.07.16. It was resolved to purchase two wall mounted notice boards for locations at Laxey Football club and Laxey Promenade shelter and a free standing notice boards for the Rose Gardens and Glen Mona. |  |
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| **71/16** | **General Correspondence** |  |
|  | **Manx international Trial 3rd & 4th September 2016** – Request to use the main promenade green for parking of support vehicles on Sunday 4th September and to use part of the part of the public footpath just past the temporary footbridge at the rear of the Shore Hotel.  It was Resolved to approve the request to use the main promenade green for parking and use path of the footpath at the rear of Shore Hotel. |  |
|  | **Ballaragh Village 20mph speed limit** – Andrea Hawley emails on 27.07.16, requesting Commissioners views on repainting the 20mph roundels or improving the village gateway signage and signs warning of goats.  A discussion took place and it was Resolved to seek more detail from the department on proposed improvements to the village gateways. |  |
|  | **Lonan Parish Church** – Archdeacon the venerable Andrew Brown email dated 28.07.16, Apologising for the delay in responding, stating he can attend a meeting but has yet little to report, suggesting he meets with Messer’s Rodan and Pass first and advising he has had an approach from a private individual with a scheme for the church. A provisional date for a meeting with the Arch Deacon and the Commissioners has been scheduled for the meeting 5th October 2016.  A detailed discussion took place and it was Resolved SC would liaise with Mr Tony Pass to discuss the possibly of holding a public meeting before 22nd September. |  |
|  | **Laxey Promenade Kiosk Store Attempted Break in overnight 27th/28th July.** Julie Pinson email dated 28.7.16, requesting permission to install CCTV cameras. It was unanimously Resolved to approve the request to install CCTV cameras. Proposed **LM**, Seconded **MF**. |  |
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| **72/16** | **Committee Reports** |  |
|  | **Municipal Association – RM** reported that training courses were being arranged for officers and commissioners and that it had been agreed to send a letter to the Minister expressing dissatisfaction about the way the new Energy from waste plant charging mechanism had been introduced. |  |
|  | **Laxey & Lonan Heritage Trust – PK** reported that the trust had requested the installation of a electrical supply box to enable lighting of the miners statue to be progressed. |  |
|  | **Laxey & Lonan Sports and Community Facilities –** No Report. |  |
|  | **Northern Traffic Management Liaison Committee –** No Report. |  |
|  | **Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team Community Partnership meeting -** No Report. |  |
|  | **Regeneration Committee –** No Report. |  |
|  | **Eastern Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee –** No Report. |  |
|  | **Northern Civic Amenity Site -** No Report. |  |
|  | **Northern Swimming Pool Board – JQ** reported on a number of matter including staffing and restrictions caused by ‘Whitley Council Employment contacts’ meant the Board could not afford to open the pool on bank holidays. **JQ** also advised that potential revenue streams were being missed out on due to the Government not allowing a gym to be incorporated in to the facility when it was built. |  |
|  | **Northern Area Housing steering group -** No Report. |  |
|  | **Northern Sheltered Housing Committee -** No Report. |  |
|  | **Eastern Area Housing steering group -** No Report. |  |
| **j)** | **Waste Management Steering Group –** The Clerk advised he had attended the officers group meeting on 21.07.16 and it had be agreed to set up a Recycling sub-committee to look recycling and identifying the waste materials/items the IOM needs to target for removal from the household waste stream. The first meeting of the Recycling group was 04.08.16. |  |
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| **73/16** | **Officers Report** |  |
|  | **Meeting with Malcolm Cowin Manx Utilities –** The Clerk referred to email correspondence circulated to Commissioners stating that Mr Cowin was unable to meeting with the Commissioners in August and suggesting that representatives from the Department of Infrastructure and Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture are invited to the meeting when a date can be agreed. Resolved to note. |  |
|  | **Cranleigh Ville site** – It was resolved to note the report circulated by the Clerk. |  |
|  | **Cooil Roi – JPL** advised that the residents association were holding a BBQ on Saturday 20th August between 4 and 6pm and that all Commissioners were welcome to attend. |  |
|  | **Sheltered Housing Entrance Criteria - JPL** reported that since the introduction of the means tested entrance criteria which was based on property ownership, that a number of people had come off waiting lists who didn’t need too. The new criteria means that anyone with a property valued over £245k would need to pay a rent that equivalent to the private market rent. **JPL** advised the rent for a bedroom flat would £550 to £575 per month plus heating charges. **JPN** asked if there was no space available at Cooil Roi and a resident had to accept a place in either Ramsey or Onchan would they be able to move to Cooil Roi at a later date **JPL** advised that transfers were always dealt with before new allocations so they would be able to transfer. **JPN** asked what the likelihood of extending Cooil Roi is. It was Resolved **JPL** would contact the department and investigate the process. |  |
|  | **General Housing – Criteria for acceptance on waiting lists – JPL** reported that because Garff did not have public sector housing they had not been included in the recent consultation, however JPL had written a response on behalf of the Authority and requested that anyone else who wished to add to this contact her direct |  |
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| **74/16** | **Staffing Matters – In Private** |  |
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| **75/16** | **Chairman’s Report** |  |
|  | **ND** stated that due to commitments relating to him standing for Garff in the upcoming House of Keys election he wished to stand down from Laxey and Lonan Heritage Trust and ECAS committee. It was Resolved TK would take over from ND as Commissioners representative on both the Trust and ECAS committee. |  |
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| **76/16** | **Approval of Cheques** |  |
|  | To be circulated at the meeting. |  |
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| **77/16** | **Any Other Business** |  |
|  | **Camper Van at Glen Mona – MF** requested that Martin Royle speak to the owner with respect to a proposal to create off road parking at the owner’s property. |  |
|  | **End Café – SC** proposed that the Clerk use the 192 service to trace the address of the owner. The clerk advised that when the owner last telephoned the office this was from her place of work. Clerk to investigate if this service is available for an overseas address. |  |
|  | **Hedges and Verges – TK** enquired how often the hedge and verges were cut on the highway. The Clerk advised generally they were done once per year. |  |
|  | **Marown Parish Commissioners –** Invitation to Civic Service 11.15 am, September 18th Marown Parish Church. Resolved to note. |  |
|  | **Request for Permission to Erect a Marquee on Laxey Promenade –** Residentemail dated 18/06/2017 requesting permission to erect a marquee on HBN green at the south end of Laxey Promenade on 18th June 2017. Details of marquee size and start and finish times supplied. A detailed discussion took place and it was Resolved not to grant permission for the Marquee, a number of reasons were given the main one being it would set a precedent for other event and concerns of disturbance to residents, litter and damage. |  |
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|  | **Meeting Closed at 10.20pm**  **Date of Next Meeting 17th August 2016** |  |