

LAXEY VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday 1st July 10.00 am

Meeting Minutes

Present: Mrs R. Bate (Vice Chairman), Mr J James, Mr P Kinnish, Mr AJ Moore (Chairman), Mrs J. Pinson.

In Attendance: Mr P. Burgess, Clerk.

Apologies: Mr P Hill Deputy Clerk, Mr AJ Moore (Chairman) arrived at 12.30pm

RB opened the meeting advising that AM had sent his apologies.

Action

25/15 Planning Matters

Planning Applications

- a) Planning Application No 15/00617/B of 02.06.15 in respect of installation of replacement windows to front elevation at Glen Cottage, Glen Road, Laxey, IM4 7AJ. [LVC Ref: 3725].

It was Resolved to approve planning application 15/00617/B.

- b) Planning Application No 15/00642/B of 08.06.15 in respect of installation of replacement windows and doors at Icari, Glen Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3726].

It was Resolved to approve planning application 15/00642/B.

- c) Planning Amendment Notice No 15/00207/B of 29.06.15 in respect of installation of replacement windows to front and rear elevations at Hollywood Cottage, Glen Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3711].

It was Resolved to approve planning application 15/00207/B, subject to the glazing bars being externally fitted.

Approval Notices (DoI Planning Committee)

- d) Planning Approval Notice No 15/00501/B of 18.06.15 in respect of reconstruction of collapsed river bank wall at Glen Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3723]. *Approved by LVC.*

Planning Approval Notice No 15/00502/B of 18.06.15 in respect of reconstruction of river weir at Woollen Mills. [LVC Ref: 3716]. *Approved by LVC.*

Planning Approval Notice No 15/00512/B of 19.06.15 in respect of alterations and extensions, to include new garaging, to existing bed and breakfast accommodation at the Greaves, Ramsey Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3719]. *Approved by LVC.*

Planning Approval Notice No 15/00514/B of 19.06.15 in respect of Bwaane Grianagh, I Quarry Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3720]. *Conditionally Approved by LVC.*

Planning Approval Notice No 15/00511/B of 26.06.15 in respect of alterations and conversion of existing dwelling into two dwellings including replacement windows at Harbour Lights, 4, Tent Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3718]. *Approved by LVC.*

Planning Approval Notice No 15/00567/B of 29.06.15 in respect of erection of extension to existing shower block facilities at Laxey Campsite, Quarry Road, Laxey, IM4 7DU. [LVC Ref: 3722].

Resolved to note six Planning Approval Notices.

Refusal Notices (DoI Planning Committee)

- e) Planning Refusal Notice No 15/00508/B of 18.06.15 in respect of enclosure of yard area to form an attached garage with patio area at 16 New Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3718].

Conditionally Approved by LVC.

Planning Refusal Notice No 15/00196/B of 26.06.15 in respect of demolition of existing building and erection of a pair of semi-detached dwellings with parking at Methodist Sunday School, Glen Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3710]. *Approved by LVC.*

Resolved to note two Planning Refusal Notices.

Appeal Notices (DoI Planning Committee)

- f) Nil.

Planning Enforcement (DoI Planning and Building Control)

g) Nil.
Next

Planning – Correspondence

h) Manx Utilities, (Water) submits comment about PA 15/00567/B – Campsite Extension – to say that there is a 3” diameter Distribution Main passing through or close to the land.
Resolved to note.

26/15 Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on Wednesday 3rd June 2015 were examined for accuracy and it was unanimously Resolved that they represented a correct statement of events.
Proposed by: JJ. Seconded by: RB.

27/15 Matters arising out of the minutes 3rd June 2015.

a) Coastal Flooding Consultation – PK asked the Clerk for an update. The Clerk report that the officer at the Department of Infrastructure who was dealing with the matter had been invited to attend a Commissioners meeting, however he had been on leave following TT and had yet to reply.

28/15 General correspondence

a) Roy Corlett e-mails at 1741 hours on 04.06.15 - Please find attached a first draft of the Garff (Local Government District) Order 2015. I tried to ring you earlier but whilst noting what you said in your email of 4th June, I think it might be helpful, in the first instance, if the 3 Clerks could have a look at the draft. If you could then make a note of any queries you all have, or any issues you require clarification on and contact me or Steve then we will try and ensure those points are clarified in the formal consultation letter. This process may help speed up the consultation process. Also if you could advise me or Steve how long you think the 3 authorities will need to reply to the consultation letter. I'm on leave over TT but will be available to answer any queries from the 15th onwards.
A discussion took place in Private. Several points were raised, these will be reported back to the next Garff Joint Initiative Committee meeting.

b) Ivor Hankinson writes on 03.06.15 to Mike Burgess, Chairman of LHT, regarding contact he has had with the Philatelic Bureau in connection with a possible stamp issue for the Miner's Statue. This letter copied to the Laxey Chairman.
Resolved to note.

c) Karen Wade at St Ninians School e-mails at 1439 hours on 05.06.15 about Consultation on change of hours - The School is looking to alter the hours of the day. This is not a big change but it will enable St. Ninian's to collaborate with other schools and in particular Ballakermeen High School. There are many advantages to this, in particular, it will mean more choice for students at Advanced Level and also in other Key Stages over time. To find out more of the specific detail please read the attached letter. The consultation began on Friday 29th May and will end on Friday 10th July 2015.
A discussion took place and it was Resolved note.

d) Department of Education submits copy of 2002 Lease between HBN and Laxey School regarding access.
Document to be circulated to Commissioner for examination.

e) A resident from Minorca Hill calls in to the office on 15.06.15 expressing concerns over the speed of traffic on Minorca Hill. Can the matter be raised at the next NTMLG meeting?
A discussion took place and it was Resolved to raise this matter at the next Northern Traffic Management Liaison Group meeting.

f) L&LHT Provision of Tourist Information services – Trust secretary requests consideration is given to annual payment from Laxey Village Commissioners.
*A discussion took place and it was Resolved to pay £1,500 to the Trust for services provided.
Proposed PK, Seconded JP.*

- g) Letter from Mr Gawne of 15th June 2015 regarding further discussions on the Transfer of Services. He has set up a number of Policy Development Discussions firstly on Friday 17th July 2015 for an all-day session at Barrule Suite, Tywnald Buildings. Timetable – 0930 – 1100 – Waste Management; 1115 – 1245 – Governance; 1400 – 1515 – Housing; 1530 – 1645 – General Items. A further Regional Meeting will take place in respect of the East on Tuesday 4th August 2015 at 1900 hours at the Laxey Working Men’s Institute. Please advise Mary Hall, (mary.hall@gov.im), whether the Clerk and members are attending any or all of these meetings before Friday 3rd July.
Clerk to attend all day session on 17th July, JP to attend Housing and General items session.
- h) Application to hold Table Top sale on 30.08.15 for ‘Helping the Needy’ by Lions Club.
Resolved to approve.
- i) Laxey (Various Roads) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting)(Amendment) Order 2015.
The Clerk advised the amendment was in respect of the revised parking and bus stop arrangements on New Road, between the Coop and the MER crossing. Resolved to note.
- j) Mobile Bank Timetable for Laxey with new times. (Monday – 1400 – 1500; Wednesday – 1415 – 1515). Same locations as before.
Resolved to note.
- k) Peel Town Commissioners invitation of 15.06.15 to their Civic Service on Sunday 19th July 2015 at 1100 hours at Peel Methodist Chapel, Atholl Street, Peel, followed by refreshments at the Corrin Hall.
Resolved – No one available to attend.
- l) Ann Reynolds emails on 24.06.15 at 1606hrs. Further to my previous email, just to let you know we (Ports Division) would very much support Laxey Commissioners in taking on the Laxey Harbour Toilets. I have mentioned this to my fellow Director Rodney Christopher (Director of Estate Shared Services) and he will forward to you a lease (which comes with a nominal charge (I think a handful of pounds, maybe two ie £10 J)) for your/Laxey Commissioners consideration.
A discussion took place and it was Resolved the Clerk contact Director of Estate Shared Services to progress.
- m) Andy Scullard of Moddey Dhoo emails on 25.06.15 in respect of Laxey TT Motor Cycle show - We are going to have a ‘post event’ meeting with Andy Reed at The Shore, 8pm on the 9th July, it would be great if you could manage the time to join in.
A discussion took place and it was resolved JP, RB and the Clerk would attend.
- n) Member of public calls into the office to request the Commissioners consider provision of an additional disabled car parking space on New Road in the vicinity of the New Village Square.
A discussion took place and it was Resolved RB and PK raise the matter at the next Northern Traffic Management Liaison Group meeting.

29/15 **Committee Reports**

- a) **Municipal Association** – Roz Bate, Julie Pinson – JP reported that a presentation had taken place on the preservation and maintenance of war memorials on the Island and that grants were available from the UK. Local Authority have the responsibility for maintain and a Commission has been set up with the responsibility for recording and maintaining a list of their location in the UK. The rest of the meeting was a discussion on the Transfer of Services meeting arranged for 17th July.
- b) **Laxey & Lonan Heritage Trust** – Peter Kinnish. – Nothing to Report.
- c) **Cool Roi Housing Authority** – Andrew Moore, Jeff James. Meeting 24.06.15. JJ reported that the Warden had organised a Garden Party on Sunday 12th July, 12pm to 4pm and that Castletown Brass Band would be Playing. All Welcome!
- d) **Laxey & Lonan Sports and Community Facilities** – Jeff James – JJ reported that an organisation had been selected to run a before and after school club and the Club House premises.
- e) **Garff Joint Initiative Committee** – Roz Bate, Julie Pinson. Next Meeting 01.07.15.
- f) **Northern Traffic Management Liaison Committee** – Roz Bate, Peter Kinnish. Next Meeting 21.07.15.

- g) **Laxey Youth Initiative** – Roz Bate, Jeff James. Nothing to Report.
- h) **Regeneration Committee** – Peter Kinnish, Julie Pinson Meeting 24.06.15
- Report presented by Richard Henthorn.
 - Provision of litter bins on Laxey Station.
 - Way marking – Recommendation that the Commissioners meet with Chris Pycroft at the Douglas development partnership. Douglas have recently completed a scheme which was implemented over a number of years.
- A detailed discussion took place with respect to the report presented by Richard Henthorn. It was resolved the Commissioners would purchase two Iroko Hardwood litter bins for the tram station and that Chris Pycroft be invited to attend a meeting to brief Commissioners on way marking scheme undertaken by Douglas Borough Council.
- i) **Eastern Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee** – Andrew Moore. No Report.
- j) **Works and Amenities** – Andrew Moore, Peter Kinnish. No Report.

30/15 Chairman's Report

- a) No Report.

31/15 Reports

- a) No Report.

32/15 Any Other Business

- a) Julie Pinson telephones asking for parking to be put on Agenda for next meeting in order to have creative ideas.
 RB asked JP if she had any ideas to share with the Commissioners. JP stated car parking was a problem in Laxey and she wanted the Commissioners to have some dialogue and perhaps look for creative ways to ease the problem. A discussion took place and PK advised he had spoken to Graeme Watson at Department of Agriculture, Food and Environment about the 'Glen Street' Car Park. A discussion took place with regard to area on the left-hand side as you enter the Laxey Glen and the feasibility of using this for car parking. It was resolved to invite Graeme Watson to a meeting to discuss and that Car Parking be placed on the agenda for the next meeting to allow the Commissioners to give the matter some thought.
- b) Graham Hooton e-mails at 1307 hours on 26.06.15 - Subject: Invitation re Last Post Ceremony, We have had an invite for all Veterans, Legion members and Standards from the Chief Fire Officer Kevin Groom to attend your local Fire Station on Thursday 9th July to commemorate the 30,000 Last Post Ceremony being held at the Menin Gate in Ypres. Timetable is as follows: 1845. Arrival of Guests to local Fire Station. 1900 Welcome by Station Officer; 1920 Service Text from Wim Opbrouck read by a member of Station Crew; 1930 Last post to be played by local bugler; 1945 Closing address by Station Officer and appliance sirens sounded. Please let Mrs Claire Newall at the Fire Service HQ if you plan to attend contact 647303 or by email on claire.newall@gov.im. Medals to be worn if you have them. Please note that it is a race night in Castletown for the Southern 100 on that evening too. Thanks ANN.
No Commissioners not available to attend, Clerk to attend.
- c) Douglas Corporation ECAS e-mail at 1442 hours on 29.06.15 - Mr. Councillor R.H. McNicholl has been appointed by Douglas Borough Council as its representative on the Eastern District Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee, replacing Mr. Councillor W.M. Malarkey. I need to set up a meeting of the Joint Committee fairly soon, so am looking for dates in July; Mr. Kelly of Santon Commissioners has already advised that he will find it difficult to attend after 20th July. If you have any suggestions, or items you wish to have specifically included on the agenda, I'll be very pleased to hear from you.
Resolved to note.

- d) JP reported that the disabled car parking spot on the promenade awaits the erection of a sign. Clerk to contact Andrea Hawley at Department of Infrastructure to progress
- e) JP report that a male had slipped on a manhole cover on the Jack yard injuring himself. Clerk to report to Department of Infrastructure.

Meeting Closed at 1.00pm
Date of next meeting – Wednesday 15th July 2015 10.00 am