

## LAXEY VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS

### Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2013 7.00 pm

## Meeting Minutes

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

**In Attendance:** Mr P. Burgess, Clerk.

**Apologies:** Mr P Hill Deputy Clerk

### 01/13 Election of Chairman

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Mini-manifestos for the post of Chairman were received from: Mrs Bate and Mr Moore and had been circulated to Board members prior to the meeting.

Mr Moore was elected Chairman 4 votes to 1.

### 02/13 Election of Vice Chairman

Mini-manifestos for the post of Chairman were received from: Mrs Bate and Mr James and had been circulated to Board members prior to the meeting.

Mr James was elected Chairman 4 votes to 1.

### 03/13 Board Representation – Confirmation required of any changes.

It was resolved the following members would represent the Board.

- a) **Municipal Association** – Roz Bate
- b) **Laxey & Lonan Heritage Trust** – Peter Kinnish (previously Andrew Moore)
- c) **Cooil Roi Housing Authority** – Andrew Moore, Justin Rosa
- d) **Laxey & Lonan Sports and Community Facilities** – Jeff James
- e) **Garff Joint Initiative Committee** – Roz Bate, Justin Rosa
- f) **Central Traffic Management Liaison Committee** – Roz Bate (previously Roz Bate and Peter Kinnish)
- g) **Laxey Youth Initiative** – Roz Bate, Jeff James
- h) **Regeneration Committee** – Peter Kinnish, Justin Rosa
- i) **Eastern Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee** – Andrew Moore

### 04/13 Planning Matters

#### Planning Applications

- a) Planning Application No 13/00479/B of 19.04.13 in respect of re-construction of scoured river bed at river bed below Laxey River Weir opposite Fire Station, Mines Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3636].  
*Resolved - To Approve the Planning Application no. 13/00479/B*
- b) Planning Application No 13/00480/B of 19.04.13 in respect of re-construction of river wall at river bed below Laxey River Weir opposite Fire Station, Mines Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3637].  
*Resolved - To Approve the Planning Application no. 13/00480/B*
- c) **Approval Notices (DoI Planning Committee)**  
Nil
- d) **Refusal Notices (DoI Planning Committee)**  
Nil
- e) **Appeal Notices (DoI Planning Committee)**  
Nil
- f) **Planning Enforcement (DoI Planning and Building Control)**  
Nil

### 05/13 Approval of Minutes

Minutes of Mid Monthly Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2013 were examined for accuracy, and it was unanimously resolved they represented a correct statement of events.

**06/13 Matters arising out of the minutes 17<sup>th</sup> April 2013**

**Minute Reference 157/12 – Link Bus Trial**

JR reported that the Link Bus had been discussed at the Laxey Regeneration meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2013. JR briefed the Commissioners summarising the situation explaining that MNH was unable to offer funding this year and LVC and L&LHT had reiterated their potential support however Tours (IOM) reported a loss last season of approximately £5,000 which made the service unviable.

JR stated the offer from Tours Isle of Man of providing a ‘free’ mini bus to be run by other had been discussed and it had been agreed that it was not viable to run a service using a non coach operator, however further consideration would be given to feasibility of running the link bus next year.

JR reported that Peter Maddocks from the DCCL had been at the meeting and reported on the Rose Gardens/Village Square and MER station scheme. JR said PM had advised there were budget issues which were delaying the MER station scheme and they were looking to split the scheme into two elements and that the drawings would need to be amended to allow the split and that this may require the submission of a revised planning application. AM reported the Link bus had also been discussed at the Laxey and Lonan Heritage Trust.

**07/13 General correspondence**

- a) Onchan District Commissioners invitation to the Chairman, members and Clerk to their Civic Service to be held on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at 1435 hours at St Peters’ Church. The Procession will assemble at 1435 hours at the Youth and Community Centre Car Park. Chains of Office may be worn. (Order of procession enclosed). *RB to attend.*
- b) Douglas Borough Council notice of 17.04.13 regarding their Civic Service to be held on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at 1030 hours at St Thomas’s Church, Douglas. Invitations to follow. *Noted.*
- c) Peel Town Commissioners letter of 18.04.13 with invitation to their Civic Service to be held on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at 1100 hours at the Peel Methodist Chapel, Atholl Street, Peel. The procession will commence at 1045 hours from the Town Hall in Derby Road. Chains of Office may be worn. (Order of procession enclosed). *Nobody available to attend.*
- d) Brigadier Butler e-mails at 1039 hours on 19.04.13 with invitation to the Armed Forces day Celebrations to be held on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at 1500 hours at the Villa Marina. There will be a procession from Regent Street beforehand. RSVP to Mrs E. Caley on 685708 or by e-mail to Elaine.caley@cso.gov.im. *Nobody available to attend.*
- e) Letter from Andrew Smith, on behalf of the Laxey Fair Committee, of 18.04.13, formally requesting permission to use the Valley Gardens for the Laxey Fair 2013 on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2013. Also requests, as with past years, assistance in setting up the Fair, provision of toilets and photocopying and stationery. *Assistance approved by the Board.*
- f) [Joan.Gleave@gov.im](mailto:Joan.Gleave@gov.im) e-mails at 1646 hours on 22.04.13 the following, ‘In line with Government’s Agenda for Change programme and in particular its policy to reduce bureaucracy, the Civil Service Commission has launched a public consultation on the proposal to establish a Public Services Commission (PSC). This follows the Chief Minister’s announcement on 15 March 2013 that there would be a consultation on creating a PSC to modernise Government’s employment structures. It is intended that the PSC would be the employing authority of not only civil servants, but also other categories of employee including manual and craft workers employed under Whitley Council terms and conditions, and some other employees across central Government; principally those whose terms and conditions are analogous to the Civil Service or the Whitley Council. This would account for approximately 4,000 staff which is about half of all central Government staff. The consultation document poses questions regarding employment groups to be included; negotiating mechanisms; implications for local authority employees and the concept of new terms and conditions for new starters. The Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, Alfred Cannan MHK said: ‘It is important that we move forward with a single employing authority. I would therefore encourage all interested

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parties to review the proposals put forward in this consultation and let us know your views.' Subs by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2013 at 1700 hours to [Amanda.haxby@gov.im](mailto:Amanda.haxby@gov.im) or by post to her at Human Resources, St Andrews House, Finch Road, Douglas, IM1 2PX.

*RB reported that this consultation had been discussed at the Municipal Association meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> April. RB reported that Local Authority Employees would not be represented in proposed new PSC.*

- g) [Sararichards@manx.net](mailto:Sararichards@manx.net) e-mails at 2304 hours on 22.04.13 to say that the IOMSPCOA has been formed and attaches, Circular 3, Membership Application Form and advertising rates. If you want to remain part of this organisation you must join before 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013. *RB dealing.* RB
- h) Aalish Maddrell e-mails on [aalishm@yahoo.com](mailto:aalishm@yahoo.com), e-mails at 1504 hours on 23.04.13 to say please could you email me any events your area has planned for Manx National Week (30th June - 7th July 2013) that you wish to be included in the Tynwald Day promotional leaflet. Please supply a brief description (maximum number of characters 60), plus the timing of the event. To ensure its inclusion in the programme, I will need to receive this information by Friday 10th May at the latest. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on this email address or by telephone on 203133. *No activities planned.*
- i) Peter Hill emails on 24.04.13. Following our Statutory Meeting last night, when the recent Garff Meeting was discussed, I have been asked to contact you regarding Social Housing in Garff and in that respect the request by Mr Robertshaw that the Authorities should consider speaking to a Local Authority that has housing responsibilities. PH  
It was suggested by Mr Robertshaw that it would be worthwhile to speak to Braddan Commissioners in this regard.  
The request to you is to establish whether or not your Board would support an invitation being sent to the appropriate member of Braddan Parish Commissioners to attend the next Garff Meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July to discuss the above matters. *This proposal was agreed by the Board, PH dealing.*
- j) Request from Laxey and Lonan Heritage Trust to carry out works to tidy up the Mines Road Notice Board. This Board had previously been used by the now defunct Laxey Traders. PB  
*Approved by the Board, PB dealing.*

#### 08/13 **Committee Reports**

- a) **Municipal Association** – Roz Bate – AGM, 23.05.13.
- b) **Laxey & Lonan Heritage Trust** – Andrew Moore – Meeting 29.04.13. *AM reported that additional quotes were being obtained for the painting of the Snaefell Wheel but no specification had been provided. AM stated that Stuart Clague had been actioned to obtain a specification for a suitable water resistant paint.*
- c) **Coil Roi Housing Authority** – Andrew Moore Justin Rosa
- d) **Laxey & Lonan Sports and Community Facilities** – Jeff James
- e) **Garff Joint Initiative Committee** – Roz Bate, Justin Rosa. Meeting Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2013. Next meeting Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2013 at 7.00pm
- f) **Northern Traffic Management Liaison Committee** – Roz Bate, Peter Kinnish - Next meeting Tuesday 16 July 2013 at 9.30am.
- g) **Laxey Youth Initiative** – Roz Bate, Jeff James
- h) **Regeneration Committee** – Peter Kinnish, Justin Rosa – Meeting dates - Arts Presentation 23.05.13, Committee Meeting 12.06.13. *JR reported he had spoken to Peter Maddocks from DCCL regarding the MER land to rear of the Commissioners Office. Mr Maddocks was currently investigating a right of access across the land and identifying service which may run underneath.*
- i) **Eastern Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee** – Andrew Moore. Next Meeting 3.30 p.m. on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2013, at the Strathallan Suite.

#### 09/13 **Chairman's Report**

No Report.

**10/13 Any Other Business**

a) Andy Scullard e-mails at 1349 hours on 26.04.13 to say, 'Following some recent discussions I thought I should write to the Commissioners to clarify some important points relating to the Laxey TT Motorcycle Show on the 6th June 2013.

1) To have permission to erect our Marquee on the Green as in previous years.

2) To have an Electric Supply from the Store to power the Public Address System.

3) To use part of the 'Arched' Public Shelter to accommodate 'Signing On' and an area designated for 'Lost Children' etc.

4) To avoid any possible misunderstandings, could the Commissioners please clarify the area that is included in the lease agreement for the Cafe to trade from, and if they have exclusive rights to catering on the promenade during the 'Road Closure' period.

5) Do we have the Commissioners permission to invite an additional 'Food Vendor' to operate at the show during the 'Road Closure' period.

I can confirm to the Commissioners that the 'Occasional Music Licence' has been granted for the Show, and that all related paperwork has also been copied to Sgt William Moffatt at Northern Policing.'

*The Board supported all of the above proposals seeking clarification. Resolved - Clerk to write to Mr Scullard.*

b) Agenda for Garff Joint Initiative Committee Meeting to be held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2013 at 1900 hours at Laxey Commissioners Conference Room and chaired by Maughold Commissioners.  
*Noted.*

c) JJ reported with great regret that Malcolm Walken had passed away at Hospice on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2013. Malcolm had been Laxey's Special Police Constable for 3 years and had provided an invaluable service to the community. JJ asked for the Boards permission to represent them at the funeral which would take place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2013, at 1.15pm at All Saints Lonan.  
*Unanimously Resolved – JJ to attend.*

d) PK advised he had written to a number of people to seeking support and suggestions for setting up a Laxey Heritage Centre. AM advised that such a scheme would require funding, manning and premises. A discussion took place and there was general approval and support for such a facility and it was suggested PK approach MNH in respect of the availability and suitable of Scarffes Cottage at the Laxey Wheel.

e) PK reported he had inspected the works carried out at the Campsite and was impressed by the quality of the works undertaken by Adrian Rush and John Bate. PK also advised the benches on the promenade were looking smart.

f) RB reported that a trailer was parked at the Henry Bloom Noble Recreation Ground car park with and the tow bar was creating a trip hazard. PK said he would look into the matter.

Meeting Closed at 8.40pm

Date of next meeting -:Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013 6.45pm