

LAXEY VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday 3rd October 2012 6.45 pm

Meeting Minutes

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

In Attendance: Mr P. Burgess, Clerk.

Apologies: Mrs S Jones (Chairman), Mr P Hill Deputy Clerk

71a/12 Alan King – See Any Other Business item c).

RB welcomed AK to the meeting. AK asked what powers to Commissioners have over the car park on Glen Road where the recycling bins are located. The Clerk advised there were no bylaws or traffic orders covering this area and while the Commissioners could place notices on the area requesting, for example, no overnight parking this could not be enforced. AK asked if the recycling bins could be moved to the Henry Bloom Noble Ground car park. RB advised the Henry Bloom Noble Ground car park was the designated dropping of point for Laxey School and locating the bins there would result in a loss of car parking. AK requested that contactor who empties the textile recycling bins does so after 9.00am to minimise noise levels, Clerk to contact the contractors. AK asked if the Commissioners had any objection to the Henry Bloom Noble Grounds being used for under 10's Rugby training. The Commissioners had no objections and suggested AK contact representatives of the Laxey and Lonan Sports and Community Facilities Ltd. RB thanked AK for attending. AK left at 7.20pm.

71/12 Planning Matters

Planning Applications

- a) Planning Application No 12/01278/B of 17.09.12 in respect of relocation of garage door and window at Maycroft, Minorca Hill, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3602].
Approved.
- b) Planning Application No 12/01280/B of 17.09.12 in respect of alterations and infill to front elevation of Holmleigh, Ramsey Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3603].
Approved.
- c) Planning Application No 12/01283/B of 18.09.12 in respect of installation of replacement windows to front elevation at Glenwood, Glen Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3604].
Approved.
- d) **Approval Notices (DoLGE Planning Committee)**
It was unanimously resolved to note the following Refusal Notice.
Planning Approval Notice No 12/01081/B of 30.07.12 in respect of Erection of a replacement dwelling at Sarasota, Ramsey Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3593] [Refused by LVC] {Delegated Powers}.
- e) **Refusal Notices (DLGE Planning Committee)**
Nil.
- f) **Appeal Notices (DLGE Planning Committee)**
Nil.
- g) **Planning Enforcement (DLGE Planning and Building Control)**
Nil.

72/12 Approval of Minutes

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 19th September 2012 were examined for accuracy, and it was unanimously resolved they represented a correct statement of events.

Proposed JJ, Seconded AM.

73/12 Matters arising out of the minutes 19th September 2012

a) Meeting Ref: 69/12, c).

Department of Social Care Housing Review Consultation Response Report of 06.09.12.

It was unanimously resolved to note the Department of Social Care Housing Review Consultation Response Report.

74/12 General correspondence

a) Department of Infrastructure letter of 18th September regarding the Local Authority General Elections Review. Such matters under consideration include having an additional section on the Absent Voters Form to show the submission deadline date and to bring them in line with the House of Keys Legislation.

A discussion took place and it was resolved to forward the following matters for consideration:

Due to the Easter falling between the date for delivery of candidates/making objections and the last date for receipt of absent voter applications it was felt that this time period should be extended to allow Candidates to visit constituents and deliver absent voter forms and also allow additional time for people who may be off Island over the Easter period to apply.

b) DEFA email dated 19.09.12 with order form and price list attached for Christmas trees. Confirmation required as to the Commissioners 2012 requirements.

It was unanimously resolved to purchase 3 large trees for Rose Gardens, Valley Gardens and Laxey Promenade and an artificial tree for Cooil Roi Housing Complex.

c) Steven Moore emails on 20.09.12 in response to query about adding 'The Old Pipe Factory' to the registered building list and providing overview of recent planning history, works carried out and references to planning policy. SM asks the Commissioners to consider the points and having done so, indicate whether they are still minded to suggest if for registration and if so, what aspects do the Commissioners consider that the building indicates.

It was unanimously resolved to defer this to the meeting 17.10.12.

d) Paul Philips of Old Brewery at the Shore hotel telephones at 1300hrs to report that there is flooding at the Old Brewery. PP asks if the Commissioners can look at the area with a view to installing a drain on the Commissioners to help elevate the problem.

A discussion took place in respect of the integrity of the Old Turbine House Race and the ground level compared to the elevated river levels. No action agreed at this time.

e) Laxey & Lonan Sports and Community Facilities Ltd notice of an AGM on Thursday 25th October 2012 at 1930 hours at the Clubhouse.

It was resolved JJ attend.

f) PK emails on 27.09.12 requesting a Works and Amenity list update and dilapidated building are placed on the agenda.

A discussion took place in respect of a property on Glen Road subject to a report in the Isle of Man Newspaper. It was resolved the Clerk to contact the owner and request an update in respect of the approved planning application. Works and Amenity update to be provided at mid monthly meeting.

g) Ivor Hankinson emails on 27.09.12 requesting permission to have a memorial bench placed on Laxey Promenade opposite Curlew Cottage in memory of the late Mrs Phillis Tate.

It was unanimously resolved to give permission for the bench to be placed on Laxey Promenade.

75/12 Committee Reports

a) **Municipal Association** –Roz Bate. – No report.

b) **Laxey & Lonan Heritage Trust** – No report

c) **Cooil Roi Housing Authority** – Nothing to Report.

d) **Laxey & Lonan Sports and Community Facilities** – Jeff James, JJ to attend AGM on Thursday 25th October 2012 at 1930 hours at the Clubhouse.

e) **Garff Joint Initiative Committee** – Susan Jones, Roz Bate – Next Meeting Thursday 18th October 2012.

- f) **Central Traffic Management Liaison Committee** – Roz Bate, Peter Kinnish – Next Meeting 09.10.12.
- g) **Laxey Youth Initiative** – Roz Bate, Jeff James – RB advised she had spoken to Fiona Cracknell to advise they would be making contact to arrange to attend a youth club meeting.
- h) **Regeneration Committee** – Susan Jones, Peter Kinnish – Next Meeting 11.10.12.
- i) **Eastern Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee** – Andrew Moore. No report.

76/12 Chairman's Report
No report.

77/12 Any Other Business

- a) Robert Pressley e-mails at 1830 hours on 28.09.12 regarding the parking of camper vans in the Back Shore Road Car Park and wants this problem to be discussed by the Board to see what can be done to stop this usage. *A discussion took place and the Clerk advised this area was the responsibility of the Department of Infrastructure and referred to correspondence from Rodney Christopher in which it stated they would review Mr Pressley concerns at the properties division meeting 15.10.12.*
 - b) Lonan Commissioners invitation to their Civic Service to be held on Sunday 21st October 2012 at 1100 hours at All Saints Church.
RB to attend, Clerk to advise SJ.
 - c) Allan King submits written request to attend the next Monthly Meeting to discuss the Glen Road Bins and Car Parking by the Salmon.
See meeting ref 72a/12.
 - d) Colin Clark e-mails at 1212 hours on 01.10.12 to say that the Offertory Collection from Laxey Commissioners' Civic Service raised £147.50, split equally between Laxey & Lonan Live At Home and Laxey and Lonan Anti Cancer.
Noted.
 - e) Barbara Dunworth e-mails at 1145 hours on 01.10.12 to say that the Municipal Association visit to Meary Veg will now take place on Thursday 18th October 2012 at 1400 hours for two hours.
Noted.
 - f) Jo Dudley telephones at 1327 hours to ask if the Board would allow the Church usage of the Boardroom on a weekly basis for a Bible Studies Group. She believes that with a multi denominational congregation it would be helpful to hold these on neutral territory. This would be during the day.
It was unanimously resolved to let the Boardroom be used by the Bible Studies Group.
 - g) Castletown Commissioners invitation to their Civic Service on Sunday 21st October 2012 at 1500 hours at the Methodist Church, Arbory Street, Castletown.
Clerk to ask SJ if she is able to attend.
 - h) Laura.Hanley@gov.im e-mails at 1058 hours on 02.10.12 a Consultation on the Manx Marine Environmental Assessment. This is the first time that mapping of marine species habitats has been undertaken on such a scale. It is important that we have as much information as possible available to us to help protect the marine environment and support sustainable uses of Manx territorial waters. Maps of habitats such as maerl, horse mussels and eelgrass will make an important contribution to our understanding and I would encourage people to get involved in the consultation process to help us make best use of local knowledge and scientific data.' Minister for Economic Development, John Shimmin MHK said: 'Manx territorial waters offer the potential of new and valuable revenue streams to the Island through the harnessing of wind, wave and tidal energies. Obviously we need to explore these potential development opportunities but it is vital that we do it in a sustainable way with due regard for the environment, existing infrastructure and people who use the seas for leisure and industry. I am pleased to see the Manx Marine Environmental Assessment taking place and I hope that it will allow us to develop in the future without jeopardizing what already exists.
- Documents can be downloaded by going to

<http://www.gov.im/transport/planning/msp/mmea.xml>.

Submissions before Friday 16th November 2012.

It was unanimously resolved to defer this item to meeting 17.10.12.

- i) Department of Infrastructure letter of 02.10.12 regarding Local Authority Induction Training Courses. These courses are being terminated to save money. The handbook can be downloaded by going to the Department Website and training should now be locally based.

Noted.

Meeting Closed at 8.50pm

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 7th November 2012 6.45pm