

LAXEY VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS

Mid Monthly Meeting

Wednesday 17th February at 10.00am.

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,

128/15 Planning Matters

Planning Applications

- a) **Planning Application No 16/00085/B** of 27.01.16 in respect of erection of a detached double garage and workshop on land adjacent to Hillcrest Cottage, South Cape, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3744].

It was Resolved to approve planning application 16/00085/B.

- b) **Planning Application No 16/00135/B** of 08.02.16 in respect of replacement of existing doorway with a window and creation of a porch over main entrance at Kittiwake Cottage, Minorca Hill, Laxey, IM4 7EA. [LVC Ref: 3746].

It was Resolved to approve planning application 16/00135/B.

- c) **Planning Application Amendment Notice No 15/01386/B** of 11.02.16 in respect of alterations and erection of a replacement detached garage at Stroanville House, Fairy Cottage, Laxey, IM4 7BR. [LVC Ref:3740]

It was Resolved to approve planning application 15/01386/B.

Approval Notices (DEFA Planning Committee)

- d) **Planning Approval Notice No 15/01147/B** of 16.02.16 in respect of installation of replacement windows at The Craig, 16, New Road, Laxey, IM4 7BF. [LVC Ref: 3733].

Refusal Notices (DEFA Planning Committee)

- e) Nil.

Appeal Notices (DEFA Planning Committee)

- f) Nil.

Planning Enforcement (DEFA Planning and Building Control)

- g) Nil.

Planning - other Correspondence

- h) Nil.

129/15 Approval of Minutes

- a) The minutes of the monthly meeting held on Wednesday 3rd February 2016 were examined for accuracy and it was unanimously Resolved that they represented a correct statement of events.

Proposed by: RB, Seconded by: JJ.

130/15 Matters arising out of the minutes 3rd February 2016.

- a) **120/15, a), Planning Application no. 16/00035/B**, Construction of new bridge over Laxey River. Pat Burgess emails on 14.02.16, at 23.04hrs, with comments about the proposed single lane give way system on the bridge and stating the bridge is not just for TT it is for future generations.

A discussion took place and it was Resolved to note Mrs Burgess's comments in respect of the proposed single lane and comments received in planning correspondence from other parties about the same. It was noted that while a number of correspondents raised concerns, none sited it as an objection against the construction of the bridge.

- b) **Mrs Judith Kee writes to Mr Gawne with a letter of objection to the new Laxey Bridge.**

It was Resolved to note Mrs Kee's correspondence.

- c) **124/15, item b). Laxey and Lonan Heritage Trust.**
PK advised that members of the Heritage Trust had been invited to attend a meeting of the Garff Joint Initiative meeting and that he was trying to encourage more people to take an active involvement in the Trust. **PK** stated that the Trust wanted to have more involvement in the organisation and running of Laxey Fair. A discussion took place, Resolved to Note.
- d) **124/15, Item f). Northern Traffic Management Liaison Committee – PK** proposed inviting Andrea Hawley to meet with the Commissioners. A discussion took place and if it was Resolved to raise the matter in writing with the Director of Highway Services.
- e) **127/15. Item a). National Strategy on Sea Defences, Flooding and Coastal Erosion.**
PK advised the Government has engaged a consultant to look at over needs of the island. **PK** advised that the main contact was Bernard Warden and proposed inviting him to Laxey to look at flooding issues. It was Resolved write to Mr Warden and invite him to meet with the Commissioners.
- f) **123/15, f). Correspondence in relation to the Road Traffic Amendment Bill 2016. - RB** advised she had reviewed the correspondence and referred to the importation of caravans however there was nothing that would give reason to respond.
- g) **124/15, f). Garff Joint Initiative Committee – RB** referred to the meeting on 3rd February and asked that matters be discussed in private.

131/15 General Correspondence

- a) **Ballaugh Commissioners invitation to their Civic Service** on Sunday 21st February 2016 at 1030 hours at Ballaugh Parish Church.
Resolved to Note.
- b) **Michael Commissioners invitation to their Civic Service** on Sunday 21st February 2016 at 1015 hours at Michael Parish Church.
Resolved to Note.
- c) **Castletown Commissioners in vitiation to their Civic Service** on Sunday 10th April 2016 at 1430 hours at the Arbory Street Methodist Chapel.
Resolved to Note.
- d) **Regeneration** - Steve Rodan e-mails at 1356 hours on 10.02.16 with answers to Regeneration Questions asked by LVC in respect of Paving Link to rear of Coop; Paving link from Station Building to Mines Tavern; Car Park at rear of Coop; Area in front of Church; Footpath from Captains Hill to Station; General tidying up and snagging; The Square.
A discussion took place and it was Resolved to raise various matters at the regeneration meeting on 2nd March 2016.

132/15 Reports

- a) Nil.

133/15 Any Other Business

- a) **Briefing Session for Potential Candidates in Local Authority Elections – Wednesday 23rd March,** Laxey Commissioners Board Room. Commissioners and Officers to be in attendance to answer questions.
It was Resolved the Clerk would promote the briefing session via the press and other media.
- b) **Army Reservists Community Covenant** - Minister Watterson writes on 15.02.16 regarding recruitment of Army Reservists and fact that they have recruited 48 into this scheme. He is asking the Board to sign up to a Community Covenant and the principles contained therein and to do so before the Local Authority Elections. Major General Glen Espie would be pleased to attend a meeting to discuss it.
A discussion took place and it was Resolved to raise the matter at the next Garff Joint Initiative meeting.

- c) **Works and Amenity** – A number of matter were discussed including the proposal to erect a fence at the old bowling green on Glen Rd and the condition and ownership of the Lady Evelyn water wheel. The Clerk advised the wheel belonged to the Laxey and Lonan Heritage Trust. It was Resolved **PK** would raise the matter of the condition of the paint at the next Heritage Trust meeting.
- d) **Wifi at Laxey Campsite** – A Commissioner referred to the 2015 campsite inspection report and a recommendation by the inspector to progress installation of Wifi at the campsite. It was Resolved the Clerk investigate options.
- e) **Christ Church Laxey** – Letter from Reverend Jo Dudley in respect of the Parishes dwindling congregation seeking contribution from businesses to pay for the printing of a leaflet to be delivered to residents in the Parish. A discussion took place. Resolved to note.

Meeting Closed at 12.25pm

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 2nd March 2016, 10.00 am.