

LAXEY VILLAGE COMMISSIONERS
Mid Monthly Meeting
Wednesday 19th December 2012 at 6.45 pm

Meeting Minutes

Present: Mrs R. Bate, Mr J James, Mr P Kinnish, Mr AJ Moore.

In Attendance: Mr P. Burgess, Clerk.

Apologies : Mr P Hill Deputy Clerk.

103/12 Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman – Standing Order Section 4 and Appendix A.

Following the resignation of Mrs Susan Jones, the Commissioners were asked for nominations for the Office of Chair for the remainder of the current Municipal year. Mrs Bates advised the Board of her interest in the post and was seconded by JJ and AM, PK abstained. There were no other nominations therefore Mrs Bate was elected uncontested as Chairman.

AM proposed Mr Jeff James for the office of Vice Chairman for the remainder of the current Municipal Year, this proposal was seconded by RB, PK abstained. There were no other nominations therefore Mr James was elected uncontested as Vice Chairman.

104/12 Planning Matters

Planning Applications

a) Planning Application No 12/01571/B of 07.12.12 in respect of erection of a statue and creation of additional pedestrian access via the formation of steps at Heritage Garden Land adjacent to and west of junction with Mines Road and New Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3618].

For Information Only.

Resolved - To Approve the following Planning Amendment/Application Notices a).

b) Planning Application No 12/01626/GB and 12/01627/CON of 10.12.12 in respect of demolition of existing extension and erection of a two storey extension with parking/access alterations and Registered Building Consent at the Working Mens Institute, 17 New Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3619 & 3620]. *Approved.*

e) **Approval Notices (DoLGE Planning Committee)**

Resolved - To Note the following Planning Approval Notices and Notice of Interest.

- Planning Applation Notice of Interest No 12/01337/B of 05.12.12 in respect of erection of dwelling with attached garage on land adjacent to Highfield, Stoney Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3606]. Department of Infrastructure own access land and cannot take part in process.
- Planning Approval Notice No 12/01460/B of 06.12.12 in respect of installation of three replacement windows to rear elevation at 4 Bay View Terrace, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3613]. {Delegated Powers}. Approved by LVC.
- Planning Approval Notice No 12/01467/B of 10.12.12 in respect of erection of an extension to dwelling at Lady Isabella House, Agneash Road, Laxey. [LVC Ref: 3614]. {Delegated Powers}. Approved by LVC.

f) **Refusal Notices (DLGE Planning Committee)**

Nil.

g) **Appeal Notices (DLGE Planning Committee)**

Nil.

h) **Planning Enforcement (DLGE Planning and Building Control)**

Nil.

105/12 Approval of Minutes

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 5th December 2012 were examined for accuracy, and it was unanimously resolved they represented a correct statement of events.

Proposed AM, Seconded JJ.

106/12 Matters arising out of the minutes 5th December 2012

a) Minute reference 102/12, item d).

Twinning of Bagillt and Laxey.

Resolved that in recognition of the established industrial heritage link between our two areas in the Isle of Man and Wales respectively, the “Village of Laxey in the Sheading of Garff” be twinned with the “Community of Bagillt in the County of Flintshire” with immediate effect.

Proposed RB, Seconded JJ.

b) RB reported she had attended the annual Tourism awards at the Claremont Hotel on Friday 7th December 2012, and the Best Campsite/Hostel category had been awarded to John Bate, the Laxey Campsite Warden. RB advised this was the second award for best Campsite/Hostel and John had been awarded the Customer Service award in 2007. Mrs Bate proposed a letter of congratulations be sent to Laxey Harbour chalets who had won the Best self catering category.

It was Resolved the Clerk write to Brian and Barbara Quirk at Laxey Harbour Chalets.

107/12 General correspondence

a) RNLI, Douglas Lifeboat writes on 03.12.12 regarding the Sir William Hilary Commemorative Service 2013. Michael Howard cordially invites you to the above service to be held on Sunday 6th January 2013 at 1500 hours at St Georges Church, Douglas. Refreshments will be served afterwards at the South Douglas Old Friends Association premises in Finch Road. Chain of Office may be worn. RSVP by Monday 31st December 2012.

It was Resolved Mrs Bate would attend on behalf of Laxey Commissioners.

b) MEA email on 11.12.12, advising the Light column LA103 at the rear of 21 Glen Mooar the fitting is leaning and not very bright. Due to the location of this light the MEA is unable to gain access to it via lift vans, ladders or scaffolding. If the Commissioners still require a light in this location the column will need to be relocated to the pathway further back which requires excavations to install a new piece of cable and a joint. The column will need to be a 6M folding column so the MEA can gain access in the future. Estimated cost £3,100.00 + 20% VAT.

A discussion took place and it was resolved the Clerk contact the MEA and seek costs for installing a bulkhead type light on the adjacent sub station wall.

c) Laxey & Lonan Heritage Trust writes on 9th December 2012 asking for promised donation of £1000.00 to be made before the end of the financial year on 31st December.

Unanimously Resolved to make a donation of £1.000 to Laxey and Lonan Heritage Trust.

d) Peel Town Commissioners gives notice that their Civic Service will take place on Sunday 23rd June 2013 at 1100 hours.

Noted.

108/12 Any Other Business

a) **Election of One Commissioner following the resignation of Mrs Susan Jones**

Appointment of Returning Officer. Clerk recommends appointment of Mrs Elizabeth Godby as returning officer for Laxey Village Commissioners.

A discussion took place and i was unanimously Resolved Mrs Elizabeth Godby be appointed as returning officer for the Village of Laxey for the ELECTION OF ONE COMMISSIONERS TO BE HELD ON Thursday 17th January 2012.

b) Department of Infrastructure letter of 12.12.12 regarding Information Leaflet – Flooding of Homes, businesses and roads. These leaflets provide advice and contact details in the event of, and to minimise the effect of, flooding.

Noted.

c) Head of Tourism provides complimentary copy of the 2013 Visitor Guide.

Noted.

- d) John Quayle e-mails at 1143 hours on 18.12.12 with details of this year's tipping charge and those for the next 6 years. It will be £57.35 per tonne commencing 1st April 2013 and rise by £21.00 per tonne plus indexation year on year reaching a minimum of £161.35 by the 1st April 2018.
It was resolved to note the details of the increased tipping charges as laid out in the email from John Quayle.
- e) David Talbot of the Municipal Association writes regarding proposals to hold Induction Courses sponsored by Local Authorities with the assistance of the Government.
It was Resolved to note the Board supports Mr Talbot proposals to hold Induction Courses.
- f) PK reported he had attended the Garff Carol service at Kirk Maughold on 12th December. At this service there had been a soloist and the church choir, PK proposed a similar order of service for the Garff Carol service in 2013 which would take place at Christ Church, Laxey.
Resolved – the Clerk to liaise with the Reverend Jo Dudley to discuss next year's arrangements.

Meeting Closed at 7.50pm

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 9th January 2013 at 6.45pm