

# Lonan Parish Commissioners

## Statutory Meeting

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2012 at 1815 hours in the Laxey Commissioners Office.

## MINUTES

**Present:** Mr S. Clucas, Mr N. Dobson, Mr J. Faragher, Mr M. Burgess, Mr P. Hill. **Apologies:** Mr S. Clague.  
**Chair:** Mr N. Dobson. **Clerk:** Mr P. Hill.

The Meeting commenced at 1815 hours.

### 89/12 Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

Action

The Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> November 2012 were examined for accuracy, and it was agreed that they represented a correct statement of events. An amendment was made to show Mr M. Burgess in attendance.

**Proposed by:** SC. **Seconded by:** MB.

### 90/12 Matters Arising out of the Minutes.

- a) **SC – 88/12(c)** – Informed the meeting that at the Municipal Association meeting he had asked whether Mr Christian's comments about Local Government Reform was his own point of view or that of Douglas Corporation. He added that he was told that it was a personal view and that in view of his reference to 'we' the Douglas representative would try and arrange for Mr Christian and/or Mr Bell to attend the next meeting to explain their comments.

### 91/12 Private Sessions.

### 92/12 Planning Applications.

- a) Planning Application No 12/01595/B of 03.12.12 in respect of amendments to PA 10/00354/B for erection of five dwellings at Plots 22 to 26, Reayrt Ny Glionney, Lonan. **PH** informed the Board of a request by a Local resident that Hon S. Rodan should be invited to a meeting to discuss the Reayrt Ny Glionney Estate, given recent correspondence sent to owners of adjoining properties, a copy of which was shown to the Board. A discussion took place and it was decided that there was no immediate benefit in such a meeting. *Approved.*
- b) Planning Application No 12/01609/B of 03.12.12 in respect of erection of a dwelling with integral garage and associated parking on land being part of Field 614733, Baldrine Road, Baldrine, (next to Broadclyst). *Approved.*
- c) Planning Application No 12/01641/B of 12.12.12 in respect of conversion of part of existing barn to ancillary living accommodation at Croit-Ny-Claughbane, Ballaragh, Lonan. *Approved.*

### 93/12 Correspondence.

- a) Richard Barks e-mails at 1410 hours on 21.11.12 with shortened version of L.G.F Sign, "Home of The Lonan Gentlemens' Fellowship World Motorcycle Land Speed Record Holders." *A discussion took place and it was agreed that the wording should be in two lines of six words and the Clerk was requested to obtain the necessary quotations. It was suggested that the Welcome Signs in Main Road and Bulghan should be used. The sign at Creg Ny Baa was not suitable.*

PH

- b) **ND** provided an update regarding matters at Cooil Roi in respect of the audit timetable and stated that everything was in hand.
- c) Department of Infrastructure, Highways Department requests that on the grounds of safety that the Board reconsiders its decision not to provide street lighting at the Baldrine Post Office Bus Stop, as they consider that there is a lack of adequate lighting between Packhorse Lane and The Crescent. See Statutory Meeting – 20.11.12 – 85/12(a). *A discussion took place and it was agreed that a lamp should be installed at the Bus Stop. Proposed by **ND** and seconded by **JF**.* **PH**
- d) Ballacannell Resident telephones on 20.11.12 requesting that Dog ‘No Fouling’ Signs be erected on the land between Ballacannell and Church Close due to persistent fouling. *A discussion took place and it was believed that this would not deter this behaviour and the Clerk was asked to contact the applicant with a view to trying to identify the person(s) responsible.* **PH**
- e) Press Release from The Municipal Association regarding the proposed Bus Timetable changes that will start on 07.01.13 and have been arrived at after alleged public consultation. *Noted.*
- f) The Department of Home Affairs response to Lonans submission on the Criminal Justice, Police Powers and Other Amendments Bill 2012 and attaches a letter dated 26.11.12 from Juan Watterson. Following consultation they have made amendments to the Bill to reflect some of the Boards observations. *Noted.*
- g) Consultation on proposed introduction of the MOT Test to the Isle of Man. *A discussion took place and it was resolved that each individual member should make their own submission if they wished to do so.*
- h) Mr Burgess advises the Board that he cannot represent the Commissioners on the LHT Board as he is a Committee Member. New person needed. *A discussion took place and it was determined that **ND** would become the Commissioners’ representative.* **PH**
- i) RNLI, Douglas Lifeboat writes on 03.12.12 regarding the Sir William Hilary Commemorative Service 2013 with invitation to the above service to be held on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 1500 hours at St Georges Church, Douglas. Chain of Office may be worn. RSVP by Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012. ***ND** to attend.* **ND**
- j) Department of Infrastructure letter from Mr Gallagher of 05.12.12 regarding User Group – Highways Matters meeting to be held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 1600 hours at Ground Floor Meeting Room, Murray House, Mount Havelock, Douglas. One representative only to attend. ***SC** to attend.* **SC**

**94/12 Enforcement Matters.**

*No additional matters.*

**95/12 Special Agenda Items.**

*None notified.*

**96/12 Any Other Business.**

- a) **ND** – Explained to the Members that at the Civic Service he was approached on the subject of the **ND**

provision of a public address system, including a loop for the hard of hearing, at All Saints Church. The request was that the Authority would help fund this installation and that a gross figure of roughly £8000.00 had been muted, to be paid by various benefactors. **MB** stated that the Royal British Legion had pledged their support. Various fund raising ideas were discussed. **PH** expressed his concern that contributing to this venture did not fall within the responsibilities of the Local Authority, and they could be criticised, albeit the intention was well meant. It was decided that **ND** would make further enquiries into the costs and that the Board agreed in principle to contribute to the scheme. Proposed by **ND** and seconded by **MB** and agreed by all.

- b) **PH** – brought to the attention of the Board the letter from the Department of Infrastructure detailing the year on year increases in the domestic waste disposal charges, such that they would equal commercial charges by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 at £161.35 plus RPI.
- c) **PH** – Asked suggested that an Extraordinary Meeting to discuss the rates for 2013 to 2014 take place on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2013 and that the next Statutory be held on 15<sup>th</sup> January. This was agreed.

**There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 1905 hours.**

**The next Meeting of the Authority will be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 1815 hours to Determine the Rates for the Year 2013 to 2014.**

**The next Statutory Meeting of the Authority will be held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 1815 hours.**