

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAUGHOLD PARISH COMMISSIONERS  
HELD On MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010, 7.30 PM AT DHOON CHURCH HALL**

**7.30 pm** Meeting of Maughold Parish Commissioners – Public Session

**Present:** Mr M Cowley (Chairman), Mrs G Stephens, Mrs M Fargher, Mr R Moughtin.  
Clerk. M. Royle.

10.93 Apologies. Mrs H. Lace CP.

10.94. **Notice of Summons Agenda.** All Members confirmed that they had received their agenda at least three clear days prior to the meeting.

10.95. **Declarations of Interest.** The Chairman drew the attention of Members to the business of the Agenda. No interests were indicated.

10.96. **Consideration of the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of August 2nd 2010.** RM proposed that the minutes be accepted as an accurate record of the meeting. Seconded MF. **Resolved.**

**10.97. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting of August 2nd 2010:**

**Preparations for the Civic Service** which takes place at 3.00 pm on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> of September at Kirk Maughold. Refreshments to be provided following the service in St Maughold's Church Room. The clerk advised that invites had been posted during August as per the Standard Invitation List. It was also that Mr Rodan SHK had advised that he unable to attend the Service due to a prior engagement. , and sent apologies. The clerk was instructed to undertake the following actions.

- Request that Reverend Faulds select readings & hymns. The latter to be 'uplifting and rousing'.
- Liaise with Mrs Jaques at Dhoon School in regard to participation of the schoolchildren in the service.
- Liaise with Mrs Barnes regarding provision of refreshments.
- Ensure final invites are sent out as per instructions at the meeting.

**10.98. Current Consultations for consideration:**

- **Freedom of Information Bill.** Details and Clerk's Summary circulated at August Meeting. Data Protection Supervisors Comments attached.

This document was discussed. A summary from the clerk had been circulated at the August meeting at which preliminary discussion of the draft Bill had taken place. The comments of the Data Protection Supervisor had been circulated and were discussed. It was noted that the vast majority of information held by the Commissioners was already available for public inspection. The only limitations being items such as those concerning contractual matters and personal information concerning employees and residents who were protected under the terms of the Data Protection Act. Concern was expressed that under the draft proposals the Council of Ministers would be exempted from any requirement to provide information. The general consensus was that requests for information should be able to be made to the Council of Ministers, and that this information should be provided unless aspects such as national security, etc would be compromised. It was noted that a request had been made for the Garff Joint initiative Committee to discuss the Bill at their meeting on 08.09.10. The clerk was instructed in the content of a response from the Commissioners which reflected the concerns expressed above.

The attention of Members was drawn to the consultations listed below

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- **Treasure Trove Bill** – (01.10.10).
- Consultation on the **draft Race Relations Act 2004 (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2010** – Background summary in CF. (13.09.10)
- **Consultation on Schedule 8 of Wildlife Act** – Background info in CF. (01.10.10)  
Mountain Hares check out to MF.
- **Anti-Terrorism and Crime (Amendment) Bill** Consultation. (23.09.10)

None of these matters were discussed. The clerk was given no further instruction.

**10.99. Correspondence**

**DoI** – Suggested dates in September for Seminars with Hon Graham Cregeen MHK. It was noted that this would be with groups of authorities in four clusters. **RM** suggested meeting Mr Cregeen with the Garff authorities rather than with the authorities in the northern cluster. The lack of opportunity to meet in the evening was also questioned. The clerk was instructed to liaise with the Department, question the lack of an evening option, and suggest a meeting between Mr Cregeen and the Garff authorities.

**Action:** Clerk to liaise with **MC** in regard to the options offered by the Department.

**DoI** – Response to request on hedge cutting regime. Correspondence from Highways was discussed in which it was outlined that hedge cutting would take place once this year. It was also stated in the correspondence that in 2011 there would be a further service reduction and hedge cutting would only take place for road safety reasons at junctions, etc. These matters were noted by Members. It was agreed that the situation would be monitored.

**Aecom** – IRIS regional Strategy CD Rom. Request for feedback. The clerk advised that he had forwarded a response detailing the concerns of the Commissioners and residents with the proposals at Port Moor, Maughold Village, Port Lewaigue, Glen Mona and the Corony.

**IOM Water & Sewerage Authority** –An update from Mr Winstanley, the Director of Drainage on the IRIS proposals was read to the meeting. The correspondence advised that it was planned that these facilities would be installed during 2011/2012. **MF** advised that the potential loss of part of the amenity of the Dhooon Field due to the proposed pumping site was concerning some local residents who had contacted the Commissioners and the Sewerage Authority directly. The Commissioners have previously published information on the proposals on their noticeboards, website and in the press. It was noted that residents who are unaware of the proposals could contact the Clerk at the Commissioners' office for full details.

**Action:** It was resolved that the clerk should write to Mr Winstanley requesting an urgent meeting with the Commissioners and the opportunity for a public presentation at which the public could be informed of the proposals and air their concerns.

**DoED** – Request to review provision of disabled toilet facilities. Feedback requested. It was noted that there was a disabled toilet at the church in Maughold Village. The clerk was requested to contact Mr Poole in regard to whether this were a private or public facility.

**Action:** Clerk to forward information to the Department.

10.100. **Searches:** Sycamore Cottage, Jack's Lane; Willow Cottage, Corony Bridge. These matters were noted.

10.101. **Parish Maintenance:** Clerk to report.

- 'Big Tidy Up Campaign':

**Action:** Clerk to liaise with Douglas Corporation and set up 'activities' including litter picking and beach cleaning for the day.

**Arboretum** – **GS** advised that the cost of 2 species wild flower seeds would be in the region of £100.00. These would be planted by Mr Faragher.

**Actions:** It was Resolved that these items should be obtained by **GS**. The clerk was instructed to ask Mr Faragher to remove the plaques from the Arboretum for refurbishment by **GS**. It was also Resolved that **GS** and Mrs Smith should arrange for a dead sapling to be replaced.

**GS** proposed that 5 further new trees could be incorporated at the Arboretum. These could be purchased and dedicated by Members of the public.

**Action:** **GS** to liaise with the clerk in regard to presenting this proposal in full detail at the October meeting.

10.102. **PLANNING.**

10.102.a **Decisions from DLGE:** The following matters were noted:

10/00750/B **Thie ny Cronk, Ballajora**, Installation of door and Juliet balcony on guest accommodation and construction of storm porch to main dwelling – Approved 13.08.10. Decision noted.

10/00973/B **Stafflands Cottage, Ballafayle**, Alterations and erection of a front porch to dwelling house. Approved 20.08.10

Members questioned this approval decision. Concerns that the 'vertical window' was not in keeping with the character of this dwelling had been expressed at the August meeting.

**Action:** *It was Resolved that an Appeal should be requested.*

10/00995/C **Croit Rance Cottage, Ballafayle**, Additional use of cottage as tourist accommodation;– Approved 20.08.10. Decision noted.

10/00349/A **Plot adjoining Little Croft. The Colony**, Approval in principle for the erection of a dwelling – Approved 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2010. Decision noted.

10/00454/REM **Site adjacent to Shan Vallah, The Colony**, REM application for the erection of a dwelling and garage – Refused 03.09.10. Decision noted.

10/00677/B **Field 624472 Glen Shone**, erection of 6 wind turbines – Refused 03.09.10. Decision noted.

#### 10.102.b **Additional Planning Matters:**

- Status of land at **Gob ny Rona/ The Colony**: Information submitted via residents. These matters were noted.
- Building Control Certificate Received 07/07527/DEX **Cedar Lodge, Glen Mona**. Extensions and alterations to provide additional living accommodation. Dated 16.08.10. Noted.
- 10/00913/B Baldromma Beg Farm, proposed new access to field. Additional information to consider. This additional information was noted.

#### 10.102.c **Decisions to be made:**

10/01077/B **Margher e Kew, Hibernia**, Conversion of existing outbuilding into dwelling. The Commissioners had no concerns with these proposals.

10/01125/B **Ain Chea, Corony Bridge**, alterations and extensions to dwelling. The Commissioners had no concerns with these proposals.

10/01129/B **Margher e Kew, Hibernia**, Alterations to existing field access  
The safety of vehicles exiting this proposed access was discussed. The consensus being that assessment of road safety aspects should be deferred to the Highways Division.

10/01169/B **Ballellin Farm**, Alterations erection of a porch and installation of replacement windows. The Commissioners had no concerns with these proposals and recommend approval.

#### 10.102. d **Appeal Matters**

10/00477/B **Field 624412, Booilushag**, Creation of field access onto highway.  
Appeal. Submissions by 10<sup>th</sup> September 2010.

The clerk was instructed to reiterate the previous comments and concerns made at the application stage.

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#### 10.103. **Finance**

##### b. **Consideration of August 2010 Finances.**

The following payments were noted and the relevant cheques completed.

FINANCES AUGUST				
INV.		EXPENDITURE	GROSS	VAT Chq
46	02-Aug-10	Feltons	154.2	22.96 2565
47		CL Web Design	116	2566
48	09-Aug-10	MCB	244.13	34.13 2567

DD		Manx Telecom	46.86	6.98	DD
49	06-Sep-10	IOM Gov Tipping JULY	1,076.09	160.27	2568
50		Spotless	200		2569
51		Island Contractors	160		2570
52		Kinrades Litt Bins July	160.39	23.89	2571
53		MEA	1.97	0.09	2572
54		Parish Day MSC	604.98		2573
55		Kinrades Litt Bins Aug	160.39	23.89	2574

Receipts of £2,460.16 for VAT payments in period Apr to Jul 10 were noted.

August Financial Overview. A spreadsheet indicating transactions and balances relating to August was noted.

#### 10.104. Any other Business

**Emptying of litter bins/problems at Port Lewaigue, Maughold Brooghs, Dhoon Loop Road.** Several complaints from MNH and residents regarding unserviced litter and dog bins were noted. Members agreed that these indicated a situation that needed to be addressed swiftly and robustly.

**Action:** Chairman *to write to Kinrade Bros Ltd outlining concerns with the service provided.*

**MF** advised Members that Mr Gawne MHK, Minister at the DoI would be visiting the **U92 Maughold Mountain Path** on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September 2010. Members could accompany him. Meet at the Glen Mona Car Park, 4.00 pm.

**MF** advised that several footpaths were overgrown including the Footpaths from Glen Mona to Lhaggan, the path from Cardle to Ballaglass.

**Action:** Clerk *to contact the Public Rights of Way Officer and request that they are cut.*

#### General Correspondence/Information File

The following inclusions in the September Circulation File were noted. Members asked for a reading of the following items of correspondence during the meeting:

**Treasury** – Notification of obligation on public authorities to publish that their accounts are available for public inspection.

The clerk read that it was a legal requirement to publish an announcement in the national press that the authorities audited accounts were available for public inspection. This was noted by Members.

**Archdeacon: The Venerable Brian Smith** – Reply to Commissioners request for information on ownership of Dhoon Church Field.

This correspondence was read. The clerk was asked to investigate the deeds to the field in regard to the presence of the Captain of the Parish on the original Board of trustees. Clerk to liaise with MC following this investigation.

There were no requests for any further items to be brought forward for discussion at the meeting.

**Office of the Chief Minister** – Response to Commissioners' correspondence on Proposals to Develop New Planning Policy to provide houses for 'High Net Worth Individuals'.

**Laxey Village Commissioners** – Invitation to Civic Service, Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2010, 11.00 am, Laxey Methodist Church, Minorca Hill.

**Braddan Parish Commissioners** – Invitation to Civic Service, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2010, 3.00 pm, Kirk Braddan. AP RM to attend

**Ramsey Town Commissioners** – Invitation to Civic Service, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2010, 10.30 am. 10.00 am from Town Hall.

**DoI** – Tipping Figures August 40.11 tonnes (5 collections) Average 8.022 tonnes per week.

**DoI** – Invitation to Presentation on **Enforcement Against unlicensed Street Furniture**. Two dates Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September or Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 6.00 to 8.00 pm at the Sea Terminal Building.

**Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team** – Notification that Inspector Flint will be moving to Police Headquarters from 14<sup>th</sup> September. Inspector Power will lead the Northern Team from this date.

Minutes of the Meetings of 13<sup>th</sup> July 2010 & 10<sup>th</sup> August 2010.

**The Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture** are seeking views on changes to the list of non-native species on Schedule 8 of the Wildlife Act. A copy of the full document can be viewed using the following link: <http://www.gov.im/lib/docs/daff//defawildlifeactsch8revisionscon.pdf>

Response requested by 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010.

**Municipal Association Documents** - August agenda & July Minutes. Hansard record of June Tynwald debate on Boundary review.

**DEFA** – Letter notifying of obligations of landowners regarding weeds.

**MNH** – Service Delivery Plan 2010

**RTLC** – Circulars 316, 317, 318, 319, 320.

**DoI** – Copy correspondence re. Hedgecutting regime.

**DoI** – Tipping Figures July 2010. 31.58 tonnes total (4 collection days) Average 15.7 kg per bin per week. (Giving projected annual Tipping of 0.82 tonnes per household).

**Play Inspection Company** – Annual Inspection Coronry Play Area 2010.

### **Private Session**

Meeting Closed at 10.20 pm

<b>Date of Next Meeting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2010</b>
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