# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAUGHOLD PARISH COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> January 2011, 7.30 PM AT DHOON CHURCH HALL

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

11.01. **Present:** Mr Mark Cowley (Chairman), Mrs Gillian Stephens, Mrs Marinda Fargher, Mrs Hazel Lace CP

**Apologies:** Mr Robert Moughtin

Minute Clerk: M. Royle

- 11.02. **Notice of Summons Agenda**. Members reported that the Agenda had been received in good time.
- 11.03. **Declarations of Interest in the Business of the Agenda**. The Chairman asked for declarations in this regard. None Declared.

## 11.04. Consideration of the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of December 6<sup>th</sup> 2010.

**HL** proposed that the minutes were an accurate record of business and decisions made at that meeting. **MF** seconded. **Resolved.** 

## 11.05. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting of December 6<sup>th</sup> 2010:

a. **Provision of salt grit and additional boxes**. The clerk reported that he had not made a formal request to Highways since the last meeting.

**Action**: The clerk was instructed to forward a request for further grit boxes at the places indicated by local residents. These being: The northern end of the Dhoon Loop Road; Booilushag; Maughold Village and the Port Lewaigue Close area.

## 11.06. Matters for Discussion

- a. Feedback from MEA regarding Use of Electricity at the Office. The clerk reported that a
  meeting had taken place at the office with the MEA Advisor.
   Action: Clerk to provide a report to the February meeting on electricity used by the
  Commissioners at the office and advice for minimising usage.
- b. Code of Practice on **Race Relations** Issued December 2010. The clerk advised that a copy was in the C/F. The content of the document was noted.

### 11.07. Current Consultations for consideration:

- a. **Road Traffic & Highways (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) Bill**: Public Consultation. (documents previously circulated) Response; by 14.01.11.

  A response from Highways regarding a query on Clause 37. This indicated that pavements and walkways were covered by legislation permitting the Department to charge for cutting back overhanging branches and, hedges and shrubbery. A clause was also noted which was intended to allow the Department to seek remuneration from drivers or vehicle owners that cause damage to the highway whilst completing a journey. It was noted that this may have significance for the operation of Heavy Goods Vehicles from the quarry site. The clerk was given no instruction regarding any further response.
- b. COMIN Consultation on **Election Funding**; response by 21.01.11. The consensus was that the Commission was in Support of the intention and purpose of this legislation.

- c. Consultation on the **Draft Extradition Bill**; response by 25.03.11. Members Resolved that the Commission should not submit comment on this Bill.
- d. Consultation on the **Designation of Ramsey Bay as a Marine Nature Reserve**; response by 28.02.11.
  - Documentation was placed into the C/F. It was noted that the designated area came south in to Port Lewaigue Bay. It was resolved to consider the matter more fully at the February meeting; once Members had studied the proposals.
- e. Consultation on Large Vehicles parked in Residential Areas; by 18th February 2011. It was resolved to consider the matter more fully at the February meeting; once Members had studied the proposals.

## 11.08. Correspondence

Chief Minister – Invitation to Holocaust Memorial Day Service, 3.00 pm, 23 January 2011, at the Methodist

Church, Arbory Street, Castletown. This service was noted by Members.

Lonan Commissioners – Invitation to Civic Service 23.01.11, 11.00 am All Saints Parish Church.

AP Apologies to be forwarded by the clerk on behalf of from MC, GS, MF. There is a possibility

that **HL** may be able to attend. Clerk to forward details to **RM**.

**DoI** – Notification of contribution to **northern CA Site** for 2011/2012 (£10,356.60 – arise of approx £20.00). This

matter was noted. The clerk reported that it would have a negligible impact on the coming financial year.

## 11.09. **Parish Maintenance:** Clerk & GS to report.

- Tree planting at the Arboretum. Correspondence regarding applications for Memorial Trees was noted.

**Action**: GS & Clerk to liaise on the organization of this matter.

- Amount of **Litter on the A2** over holiday period – the clerk reported that two full sweeps of the A2 had been undertaken since the last meeting. In particular the second sweep conducted on 3<sup>rd</sup> January had yielded a large amount of litter that had largely been deposited from passing traffic. The litter was largely made up of plastics and packaging from various fast food outlets; a large proportion being identifiable as being from the Macdonalds outlet in Peel rd, Douglas. The cost to the ratepayer of cleaning up this litter was noted and discussed.

Action: the clerk was instructed to contact the press detailing the Commissioners concerns with the amount of litter deposited from vehicles passing through the Parish.

The clerk reported that the contractor would be installing the new cistern in the ladies toilet in Maughold Village. The toilet seat and roll dispenser had already been replaced.

## 11.10. PLANNING.

a. **Decisions from DLGE:** 

The following matters were noted.

- 10 00913/B Field 624412, Ballajora Hill; Creation of vehicular access Approved 16.12.10 The condition that the current field entrance be closed within one month of the new entrance being made was noted. The applicant had previously agreed to reinstate a traditional hedge on the visibility splays rather that the original proposal for a post and rail fence.
- 10 01386/B Ballajora Chapel House; erection of extension to side elevation, Approved 15.12.10.
- 10 01534/B Holly Trees Glen Mona Loop Road, Alterations and erection of extension to dwelling

House – Approved 06.12.10.

10 01518/B **Cedar Bank**, Ballajora Hill, Erection of replacement dwelling – Application withdrawn. 10 00968/B Field 621246, **Adjacent to Balladan**, Quakers Road – Application withdrawn.

#### b. Decisions to be made:

10 01841/B **Ballagorrey Beg,** Conversion of barn to additional living accommodation and construction of a link atrium to main dwelling. No concerns were raised with these proposals. 10 01878/C **Corley Cottage, Ballagorrey Beg,** Additional use of property fro residential and holiday accommodation. No concerns were raised with these proposals.

## c. **Appeal Matters** The following matters were noted:

10/00973/B **Stafflands Cottage**, Ballafayle, Alterations and erection of a front porch to dwelling house; Aldergate Ltd – Appeal accepted. Original decision reversed. 10/0477/B **Field access Booilushag**, Appeal dismissed.

 f. Completion Certificate Received for Erection of dwelling on land adjacent to Traiheen, Port Lewaigue (10/07097/DOM)

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## 11.12. Finance Consideration of December 2010 Finances. FINANCES DECEMBER 2010

INV.	DATE	EXPENDITURE	GROSS	VAT	CHQ
DD	29-Dec-1	O Manx Telecom	50.83	7.57	
98	06-Dec-1	O Feltons	15.54	2.31	2619
99	10-Jan-1	1 MEA Maint Contr	186.64	27.80	2620
100		Spotless Cleaners	200.00		2621
101		Kirk Maughold PCC	355.00		2622
102		IOM Water Authority	51.24		2623
103		IOM Government	1,230.78	183.31	2625
104		Allansons Nurseries	211.42	31.49	2626
105		IOM Gov Tipping Dec	1,030.43	153.47	2627
106		Sadler Agric (Christmas Trees)	209.15	31.15	2628
107		Feltons	14.32	2.13	2629
108		IOM Gov CA Site 4th Contr 10.11	3,113.03	518.84	2630
109		British Wildflower Plants	161.85	24.11	2631

**December Financial Overview**. A spreadsheet indicating the status of the Commissioners finances at the end of December 2010 was circulated at the meeting for consideration.

## 11.13. Any other Business

- Alleged **theft of 'complimentaries'** left by residents for refuse collection staff. The clerk advised that the police were investigating this matter. It was agreed that notices should be issued prior to next Christmas indicating to residents that complimentaries should be sent directly to the refuse collectors. This would avoid the difficulties that had been experienced this year.

- MF raised the issue of the lack of toilet facilities at Ballaglass Glen. It was resolved that this
  matter should be discussed at the February meeting.
- The clerk reported that the second **Speed Sign** now needed batteries. Clerk to contact the DoI in this regard.
- **MC** asked what the situation was with the bonfire on the field in Glen Mona. This had not burned away on November 5<sup>th</sup> and it appeared that further materials were being deposited at the site. The responsibility of Maughold Social Club was noted in this regard.
- **Action:** clerk to write to MSC requesting action is taken to remove the residue as soon as possible.
- **GS** requested that a letter of welcome be sent to the new headteacher at the school.
- Action: Resolved.

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## 11.14. General Correspondence/Information File

**RTLC** Circular 331

Garff Diary of Events, minutes 10.11.10.

Consultation document on Ramsey Bay Marine Nature Reserve.

**DoI** – Tipping Figures at EfW December 2010. 30.24 tonnes (4 week cycle) Average 15.05 kg per bin emptied.

(This projects to 0.783 tonnes of waste per household per year).

**DoI** – Notification of availability of 'Modified Draft Area Plan for the South of the Island'.

## **Private Session** -

Meeting closed at 9.26 pm

## **Date of Next Meeting Monday**