

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAUGHOLD PARISH COMMISSIONERS
HELD On MONDAY 4th April 2011, 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 H Lace CP, Mr R Moughtin.
Clerk: M Royle.

11.18. Apologies. The clerk reported that apologies had been received and recorded from Mrs Fargher.

11.19. Notice of Summons Agenda. All Members present reported that they had received their documents for the meeting in accordance with Standing Orders.

11.20. **Declarations of Interest in the Business of the Agenda** - None declared.

11.20.a. **Consideration of the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of March 7th 2011.**
These were proposed as a correct record of the meeting by **HL**. Seconded **RM**. **Resolved**.

11.21. **Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting of March 7th 2011:**

a. arrangements for 2011 Civic Service – HL advised that a provisional date in September had been proposed by Reverend Faulds. This to be confirmed in due course.

b. Proposals regarding **dog fouling problems at Gob ny Rona, Port Lewaigue**.

The clerk reported that a meeting had taken place at Gob ny Rona with the Public Rights of Way Officer. Several options intended to curb the level of dog fouling had been discussed. The amount of dog fouling on the walkway around the headland and in the MNH car park was blighting the area, particularly for families and children. **The banning of dogs from Gob ny Rona and this area of Port Lewaigue** was an option that would be considered if dog owners continued to act irresponsibly. Members noted that, although probably a minority, these owners were causing a very significant problem that compromised public health; children are particularly vulnerable to the severe effects of toxicaris. Members discussed a proposal to work with Infrastructure and MNH to present the area in a way that encouraged the use of the area by families and children, many of whom avoided the area due to the level of dog fouling.

Action: Clerk to report back on investigations into this matter at the May meeting.

c. Condition of equipment & environment at **Bring Bank Sites**.

It was noted that fly tipping at the Bring Bank sites had reduced this month. The clerk reported that several large tubs containing smashed glass had been dumped at the Glen Mona site. The continuing poor condition of the recycling bins was noted; all locks are now broken throughout the parish leading to potential contamination problems. The Commissioners agreed to continue monitoring the situation. **RM** proposed that the provision of more mini-recycling-centres. It was agreed that the viability of this proposal Should be investigated before any further discussion .

Action: clerk to produce an initial report by October 2011 on the viability of mini-recycling-facilities in other area of the Parish.

11.22. **Matters for Discussion**

a. **Health & Safety: Refuse Collection.** The clerk reported that the format of the Commissioners' health and safety log had been updated. Discussions had taken place with the refuse contractor. There were no health & safety concerns at this stage. The contractor had confirmed that they regularly referred to UKHSE advice and guidelines on matters such as reversing safely.

11.23. **Current Consultations for consideration:** Members noted the list of current

consultations issued by the Isle of Man Government. The clerk was given no further instruction.

11.24. **Correspondence.**

- a. **Highways** – Process for those holding Royal Wedding Street Parties. Members were referred to guidelines on holding street parties issued by the Department of Infrastructure. These are available from the Department or by contacting the Commissioners.
- b. **CSO** – OFT Consultation. This matter was noted. Documents had been circulated prior to the meeting.
Action: The clerk was instructed to forward comment supporting the option that no political Members should be Members of this Committee.
- c. **Resident** – regarding wheelie bin placement following emptying. This correspondence was noted.
- d. **Maughold Social Club** – Regarding bonfire and commemoration of the Royal Wedding. Members noted the indication from the Club that the bonfire would be dealt with as soon as possible. There followed a discussion of commemoration of the coming 'Royal Wedding'. **GS** proposed a bench and plaque be placed in the 'viewing area' of the Arboretum. It was suggested that it might be more appropriate to dedicate the bench to an individual who had served the Parish of the Island. The outcome being that it was agreed that the dedication should be to the 'royal couple'.
Action: *Clerk to cost and report back to May meeting.*
- e. **Kestrel Insurance** – Information on 'Directors and Officers Insurance'. This matter was noted. No further action.
- f. **DEFA** – Re. Public Toilet Facilities at Ballaglass Glen. The Department declined the request from the Commissioners for toilet facilities at Ballaglass Glen.
Action: the clerk was instructed to write to the Department requesting that the decision be reconsidered once financial circumstances improve.

11.25. **Parish Maintenance:** Clerk & GS to report.

- The clerk was instructed to obtain quotes for maintenance work at the Maughold Village toilets and report back at the May meeting.
- Bus shelter Light: clerk was instructed to contact Isle of Man Transport and the DoI.
- Sign at Arboretum: clerk was instructed to place an order.
- The clerk was also asked to write to Mr & Mrs Smith, and to Mr Faragher thanking them for their excellent work at the Arboretum.

11.26. **PLANNING.**

- a. **Decisions from DLGE:** The following decisions were noted. No further actions requested.

10/01077/B **Margher e Kew, Hibernia**, Conversion of existing outbuilding to a dwelling – approved 07.03.11

10/01129/B **Margher e Kew, Hibernia**, Alterations to existing field access– Approved 07.03.11.

10/01780/B **Sycamore Cottage, Jack's Lane**, Alteration and erection of extensions to dwelling; – Approved 22.03.11

11/00032/B **Sarah's Cottage, Ballasloe**, The erection of a replacement dwelling – Refused 15.03.11.

11/00095/A **Thie Varrey, The Colony**, AiP for erection of 3 dwellings in gardens and grounds – Refused 08.03.11.

11/00103/B **Thie Dhrynane, Kirk Maughold**, Extension to side elevation – Approved 14.03.11.

b. **Decisions to be made:**

11/00287/B **Baldromma House, Kirk Maughold**, erection of extension to dwelling.
Members raised no objections to these proposals.

11/00307/B **Folieu House, Lewaigue**, Alterations including creation of an elevated external patio to dwelling; Progeny limited.

Members raised no objections to these proposals.

11/00364/B **Riverside Cottage**, Port Cornaa Road, Erection of a conservatory to dwelling
Concern was raised that the Planning Committee should deal with this application in a manner consistent with decisions made at other properties in the Parish where conservatories had been refused on traditional dwellings. Members also that a condition be placed on any approval indicating that the finish of the dwarf wall must be white rendered to match the finish of the dwelling.

c. **Appeal Matters & Matters to Note**

11/00095/A **Thie Varrey, The Colony**, AiP for erection of 3 dwellings in gardens and grounds. Appeal Requested. The clerk was instructed to submit response by the due date.

11/00210/B **Cedar Bank**, alterations to approved plans. Copy letter from resident. This correspondence was read and noted.

11.27. **Finance Consideration of March 2011 Finances.** The following matters were noted. Cheques were duly signed. No further action requested.

FINANCES MARCH 2011					
INV.	DATE	EXPENDITURE	GROSS	VAT	CHQ
128	18-Mar-11	Kestrel Insurance	1,238.32		2655
	25-Mar-11	Manx Telecom	47.15	7.86 DD	
129	04-Apr-11	Island Contractors Ltd	220.00		2656
130		Spotless March	200.00		2657
131		Kirk Maughold PCC	355.00		2658
132		HOF Display Solutions	1,367.10	227.85	2659
133		Kinrade Bros AV Mar	163.80	27.80	2660

March Financial Overview. A spreadsheet indicating the financial position of the Commissioners was circulated at the meeting for consideration. No further actions requested.

11.28. **Any other Business.** None.

11.29. **General Correspondence/Information File.** The following matters were noted. No further actions requested.

RTL Circulars to 344

DoI – Tipping figures for March 2011 had not been received at the time of the meeting.

CSO – Chief Minister’s March newsletter available via gov.im or via clerk.

The Public Catalogue Foundation – Regarding oil paintings in the ownership of the Commissioners.

Private Session

Date of Next Meeting (AGM) Monday May 9th 2011
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