MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAUGHOLD PARISH COMMISSIONERS HELD ON Monday 5th of March 2012, 7.00 PM AT DHOON CHURCH HALL

7.00 pm Meeting regarding plans for new sewerage facilities at Glen Mona and Corony with Mr Bale, Client Programme Director, Hyder Ltd, Brian Barnett, Project Engineer, Mr Sullivan, Holmes Grace Consulting Engineers.

Members Present: Mr R. Moughtin, Mr M Cowley, Mrs H. Lace CP, Mrs M Fargher.

Mr Barnett circulated a report on the final proposals for new IRBC facilities at the current Glen Mona sewage site and the current Corony site. These would be covered units, with less odour and noise. The units were classed as 'low energy' usage. Staff would be on site for approximately 2 hours per week for routine servicing. Reference was made to the recently commissioned units at Patrick and Dalby. Mr Barnett and Mr Bale confirmed that since commission there had been no complaints from the public. It was stated that during installation disruption would be kept to minimum for local residents. The Glen Mona site would have a new outfall pipe across Barony Estate. Mrs fargher raised the issue of the fields beside the Glen Mona footpath to the Rhenab Ford, and asked for confirmation that these areas would not be more susceptible to flooding and storm water damage once the new pipe was laid. Mr Sullivan said that land drainage will be improved once this pipe was installed. (Mrs Stephens joined the meeting at 7.25 pm) Mrs Lace asked if there was capacity for any new properties in Glen Mona to be connected in the future. Mr Bale reported that the design allowed for an increase in population from the current figure of 146 to 160. Mr Moughtin asked about the consequences of the facility being overloaded or flooded by storm water. Mr Bale stated that the facilities would not flood and advised that multiple factors of safety were built into the design.

Mr Bale further advised that the construction of the two sites was now out to tender.

Mr Bale, Mr Sullivan and Mr Barnett left the meeting at 7.51 pm.

7.30 pm Meeting of Maughold Parish Commissioners – Public Session

Present: Mrs G Stephens (Chair), Mr R. Moughtin, Mr M Cowley, Mrs H. Lace CP, Mrs M Fargher.

- 12.36. Apologies: All present.
- 12.37. Notice of Summons Agenda. Members reported that this had been received in good time.
- 12.38. Declarations of Interest in the Business of the Agenda. None declared.
- 12.39. Consideration of the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the 6th of February 2012.

Mr Moughtin proposed that the circulated minutes were a correct record. **Mrs Fargher** Seconded. **Resolved**. 12.40. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 6th of February 2012.

a. To discuss **publication of list of properties with long term rate arrears**. Further information on use of small claims court. Draft Publishing Procedure for properties owing rates attached. This was discussed. It was agreed that the property in arrears should be published when it qualified under the terms of the procedure. It was **resolved** that the draft procedure should be accepted as a policy of the authority.

Action: Clerk to place a copy of the procedure with the Authorities Standing Orders.

c. **Meeting with Mr Pearson, Director of Highways**. It was agreed that this had been a useful and productive meeting. At the meeting the possibility of powers to undertake hedge cutting being delegated to the Commissioners had been discussed. Mr Cowley proposed that further discussion of the matter be postponed until after the April election when a new Board wopuld be constituted. This was agreed. Action: the clerk was instructed to include the matter on the agenda of the June 2012 meeting. d. Servicing of **Crossags Camp Site** with Refuse Vehicle.

The clerk reported that Kinrade Bros Haulage and Ramsey Commissioners had been contacted in regard to supplying a service to empty the bins at the campsite and the adjoining property. Return correspondence with a quotation had been received from Messrs Kinrade, but the correspondence of February 10th to

Ramsey Commissioners had not been acknowledged. **Mr Cowley** asked the clerk to forward contact details to the clerk for Ramsey for him to make further enquiries with the Chief Executive.

e. **William Kennish 150th anniversary** commemoration (organised by Mr Robert Stimpson), 19.03.12, Corony Bridge. Noted.

Action: Clerk to advise Mr Stimpson regarding attendance of the Commissioners.

f. Re Suguru Matsuda: request for **Memorial Bench** at the Arboretum to Mr Cornberg and the novelist Mrs Gaskin. Noted.

Action: Clerk to liaise regarding possibility of a location at the Arboretum or the new churchyard.
g. Preparations for **Queen's Golden Jubilee**. **Mrs Stephens** and **Mr Moughtin** advised that they had worked out the size and scale for pebble compass at the Arboretum. Schoolchildren to participate. **Mrs Stephens** to liaise with school. Rose Bush ordered to be planted by **Mrs Lace CP**.

12.41. Matters for Discussion

a. **Appointment of Returning Officer** for Local Government Elections 2012 (Poll date 26.04.12). Members Resolved to appoint the clerk, M.J. Royle as Returning Officer. Proposed **Mrs Stephens**. Seconded **Mrs Fargher**.

12.42. Current Consultations for consideration:

DoI - The Town and Country Planning Act 1999 - **Planning Policy Statement - Planning and the Economy (C/F).** This implications of this document were discussed it was noted that the emphasis was predominantly on planning for commercial operations. **Mrs Fargher** raised a concern that the proposals could have an effect on future planning applications for development at locations such as Dreemskerry Quarry. The general consensus was that further discussion should be withheld until Members had read the document as it was circulated. **Action:** the clerk was instructed to forward a copy to the Secretary of the Isle of Man Municipal Association. **DSC – Regulation of Care Bill Consultation** (Information CF) Comment by 25.05.12. **Noted.**

DSC – Landlord Registration Scheme Consultation (Information CF) Comment by 27.04.12. Noted.

IOM Office of Fair Trading – Consultation on Proposed Estate Agent and Landlords Bill 2012 (CF) by 27.04.12. Noted.

Note: List of further current consultations C/F. Noted.

12.43. Correspondence

- a. Armed Forces Day Committee Invite to Villa Marina Celebrations 24.06.12. Noted. Placed in C/F.
- b. **DoI** Letter from **Mr Ronan** regarding meeting local authorities. **Noted**. Placed in C/F.
- c. DoI Amended Election Rules 2012. Noted.
- d. **DoI** Tipping Figures **February 2012**. The clerk advised that these averaged to just below 7 tonnes per week and were average for the time of year.

12.44. Parish Maintenance:

- Tipping on Hibernia Road. This had been reported by a resident and included carpets and other materials. **Action**: *clerk to organise removal.*

- Pebble Compass Arboretum. This matter was reported on at 12.40.g above.

12.45. **PLANNING.**

a. Decisions from DLGE:

11/01724 **Dawn, Slieau Lewaigue,** Erection of 2 storey extension to dwelling – Approved 09.02.12.2//B The Spinney, Dreemskerry, Erection of raised decking with staircase and additional steps to rear – Approved 17.02.12. **Noted**. Placed in C/F.

b. Planning to Consider:

12/00153/B Ballig Farm, Glen Mona Loop Road, widening of existing driveway; (inc Amended plans).

Members queried the intention of the applicant regarding the junction of the farm track with the Glen Mona Loop Road. It was noted that the track and several watercourses met here. It was felt that no development should take place that undermined the rural character of this section of the Loop Road.

Action: The clerk was asked to seek clarification for the intention of the applicant regarding the farm entrance; as indicated above.

b.i. **Appeal Matters:** None to be considered.

c. Building Control Certificates, etc: None.

12.46. **Finance Consideration of February 2012 Finances**. The following transactions were noted and where necessary cheques signed.

		FINANCES FEBRUARY 2012			A
INV.	DATE	EXPENDITURE	GROSS	VAT	CHQ
DD	25.02.12	Manx Telecom	48.06	8.01	DD
126		Chris Littler Web Design	132.00	A	2810
127	05-Mar-12	MEA	33.87	1.58	2811
128		Kinrade AV Jan	174.00	29.00	2812
129		Spotless Feb	200.00		2813

February Income: DoI £200.00 (Corony Verge Cutting YEAR 2011)

February Financial Overview. Spreadsheet to be circulated at the meeting for consideration. This document was circulated.

12.47. Any other Business

- Daffodil Judging Friday March 9th. Noted. **Mr Moughtin**, **Mrs Stephens** and **Mrs Lace** hoping to attend.
- **Mr Moughtin** raised the question of pensions. This had been discussed at a Municipal association meeting. **Mr Cowley** advised that this matter had been settled in 2009, when a new pay agreement was made with the clerk without a pension facility.
- Mrs Fargher raised the subject of the recently announced closure of the mobile library. Several Members agreed that this was another loss to rural areas such as Maughold. Mr Moughtin advised that the Municipal Association had discussed the closure and were, in principle, supportive of maintaining the service. He advised that the Association would be investigating the possibility of local authorities contributing to the service if financially viable.

12.48. **General Correspondence/Information File** The following matters were noted. No further actions at this stage:

RTLC – Circular 362

CSO – Chief Ministers e-briefing (available on-line http://www.gov.im/lib/docs/cso/web2011februaryenews.pdf Refer to clerk for further access details).

Mooragh Promenade Newsletter – no's 66, 67.

DoI – Re: arrangements for the **Natural Gas Conversion Project**.

DoI – Notification that the next **NTMLG** will be on the 12th of April 2012.

Tynwald Advisory Council for Disabilities – Annual Report for Year 2011.

Communications Commission – News release on proposed wholesale and retail fixed markets.

9.30 Public Session Closed.

Private Session

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Date of Next Meeting Monday April 2nd 2012