

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAUGHOLD PARISH COMMISSIONERS HELD ON Monday
4th June 2012, 7.30 PM AT DHOON CHURCH HALL**

7.30 pm Meeting of Maughold Parish Commissioners – Public Session

Present: Mr Moughtin (Chair), Mrs Fargher, Mr Cowley, Mrs Perks, Mr Quayle.

Clerk: M.Royle.

12.86. Apologies – All Members present.

12.86a. **Declarations of any Interests in the business of the Agenda.** – Mr Cowley declared a possible interest in item 12.89.h. which was relayed to the meeting which concerned a matter brought to his attention by a neighbour. After consideration of the relevant legislation, the clerk advised the chair that it would not be necessary to exclude Mr Cowley from discussion of this matter which is fully minuted below at 12.86.h.

12.87. Consideration of the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the 2nd of May 2012. These were agreed to be an accurate record of proceedings and decisions made. Proposed Mr Quayle, seconded Mr Cowley. **Resolved.**

12.88. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 2nd of May 2012.

a. Servicing of **Crossags Camp Site** with Refuse Vehicle. The clerk advised Members that Ramsey Commissioners had been emptying the bins at the campsite and the domestic property. Ramsey would be costing the job and would advise on a price in due course. Lezayre Commissioners to be contacted in regard to a bin at a property in their Parish.

Action: Clerk to liaise with Ramsey Commissioners and report back at the July meeting.

b. Preparations for **Queen's Golden Jubilee.** Mr Moughtin updated Members on progress with the base for the pebble compass at the Arboretum. Children from the school are involved and Mrs Stephens (Dhoon-in-Bloom) is liaising with the school and will contact the Commissioners with a date. The possibility of providing the school children with light refreshments on the day was discussed.

Actions: Mr Moughtin to co-ordinate with Mrs Stephens regarding the compass. Clerk to contact school regarding refreshments.

There followed discussion of the Diamond Jubilee event in Ballaglass Glen, organised by Maughold Social Club. The Commissioners had previously signalled a willingness to support an event financially but had received no firm contact from the club indicating costs. It was noted that there would be no further opportunity to consider a request for financial support before the event took place. An outline proposal of activities for the community at the event was considered and the inclusion of the Glen Mona Social Club was also noted. Because of these circumstances, Mr Quayle proposed that the matter needed to be settled at the meeting. This was agreed by Members. A contribution to the event to a maximum of £300.00 was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr Cowley. This was **Resolved** unanimously.

Action: Clerk to notify the club regarding the above resolution, and also request an assessment of cost for this year's bonfire event so that a decision could be made in good time.

c. **Status of Dhoon Church Field.** The clerk advised on the latest actions. Mr Cowley requested a copy of the original deeds and associated paperwork.

Action: Clerk to obtain and forward to Mr Cowley.

12.89. Matters for Discussion

a. **Year End 11 Audited Accounts** - Clerk Updated Members that the accounts had finally been completed by the Auditors.

Action: Clerk to contact the Department to confirm that the auditors had forwarded a copy to government.

b. **Year End 12 Audited Accounts.** The clerk reported that these were currently being prepared for submission.

c. **To consider Health & Safety Matters** relating to the TT Festival; to include Refuse Collection Service. These matters were considered by the Board. The clerk reported that following the recent incidents a discussion had taken place with the refuse contractor regarding the way the round was operated during the TT period. The

risk assessments used by the operator were referred to and had been recently re-assessed. The contractor was confident that his current methods of operation were appropriate to the level of risks posed. It was noted that Health and Safety is a matter of on-going concern to the Board and the situation would be monitored. A suggestion originally made by Mr Moughtin that the operator report habitual poor/careless driving to the Police or Commissioners. It was agreed that this should be investigated.

Action: *clerk to contact Messrs Kinrade.*

d. **Changes to Bank & Building Society Mandates** (Resolution required). A resolution to remove past Members names from the banking and building society records and update the mandates to reflect the current Board was considered and approved (Signatories to be: Mr R. Moughtin, Mrs A.M. Fargher, Mr M.W. Cowley, Mrs C.P. Perks, Mr J.L. Quayle; clerk M.J. Royle). Proposed **Mrs Fargher**, Seconded **Mr Quayle**.

e. **To Discuss compliance with Data Protection Regulations** - Documents from the Data Protection Office were handed to **Mr Quayle**, **Mrs Perks** and **Mr Moughtin**. These to be returned directly or to the clerk.

f. **Preparations for Civic Sunday 2012.** **Action:** **Mr Moughtin** to contact reverend Faulds.

g. **Consultation on John Donald Collister bequest MNH**

This matter was discussed and the response questionnaire completed. The general consensus being that the monies should primarily be used to improve facilities/heritage in the Colby area for the benefit of the people of the area.

h. **Signage used to advertise services at domestic premises** (raised by Mr Cowley by e-mail to clerk 19.05.12). **Mr Cowley** advised that he had been approached by a resident of Glen Mona who wished to place an advertising board on the boundary of his property. It was noted that such advertisements normally require planning permission which would assess the proposed sign in terms of any visual issues or concerns with highway visibility etc. The Planning Authority would need to be consulted by the resident.

12.90. **Current Consultations for consideration:**

DHA – Consultation on CJ, Police Powers and Other Amendments Bill 2012 (previously circulated) by 24th July. This document had been circulated previously. The proposed new powers were discussed in general. The necessity of these changes to deal with more organised crime was noted. Any potential for the new powers to be used inappropriately was discussed; it was noted that if such cases occurred there were actions that could be taken.

Action: *The clerk was instructed to submit a response by the deadline.*

Communications Commission – Consultation Paper and notification of proposed determinations on mobile communication markets. By 29th June 2012.

This consultation was discussed. The consensus was that the proposal to set limits on the termination rates was a positive step. **Mr Cowley** felt that this was still insufficient and stated that currently the consumer was losing out due to the lack of a 'level playing field'.

Action: *The clerk was instructed to submit a response by the deadline.*

DSC - Consultation on Housing Review (Previously Circulated) by 15th of June.

This document had been circulated prior to the May meeting. The consensus amongst Members was that some form of means testing must be introduced into any reorganisation of the financing of public sector housing. It was felt that rent should be linked to income and that strong, clear criteria should be set to determine the level of payment. It was also agreed that fixed term tenancy agreements should be introduced to allow for changes in circumstance. In regard to sheltered accommodation, it was felt that some form of means testing should be considered. **Mrs Perks** stated that the registered landlord scheme was a positive step. This was agreed by Members.

Action: *The clerk was instructed to submit a response by the deadline.*

List of current consultations in C/F.

12.91. **Correspondence**

a. **DoI** – Invitation to seminar on Planning and Nature Conservation, 26th June 2012, Murray House. Mrs Fargher to attend

b. **Mr R Ronan MHK** – Regarding Eastern Local Authorities Meeting 21.05.12.

Regarding feedback by Friday 15th June (Scope and Structure of Government circulated previously, but available on line at gov.im).

The meeting of the Eastern local authorities with Mr Ronan was discussed. Co-operation between authorities was discussed. It was noted that Maughold Commissioners had already formed links with other authorities to share services. Some core services were delivered with Laxey & Lonan through the Garff Initiative and the Commissioners also shared other services with Douglas and Ramsey. The Board were supportive of further cooperation which improved efficiency but kept control of the quality of the service locally.

Action: *The clerk was instructed to submit a brief response to Mr Ronan at this stage.*

c. **DoI** – Re. Consultation on Lower Douglas Master Plan.

This document was placed in to the Circulation File.

d. **Office of the Clerk of Tynwald** – Offer of two Grandstand tickets for Tynwald Day, 05.07.12. **Noted.**

e. **Peel Town Commissioners** – Invitation to Civic Service, Peel Methodist Chapel, 15.07.12, (procession from Town Hall at 10.30 am). Mr Moughtin to attend.

f. **DoI** – Invitation Chairman & officer to Presentation by IESE on 'Partnerships and Efficiencies in the Public Sector'. Monday 11th June, 12 noon, Barool Suite, Legislative Buildings.
Mr Moughtin and clerk to attend.

g. **Mr Tomlinson** – Information indicating the DoI Minister's response to a written question in Tynwald regarding the account taken by Planning Officers of the 'Draft Planning Policy Statement on Planning and the Economy'.
This document was noted and placed in to the Circulation File.

h. **Douglas Corporation** – Invitation to attend Playground Inspection and Maintenance Course.
This invitation to be placed on the next agenda of the GJIC for consideration.

i. **IOM Cycling Association** – Information on Lighthouses Cycle Sportive July 8th 2012.
This document was placed in to the Circulation File.

j. **Douglas Borough Council** – Invitation to Civic Service, St George's Church, 10.06.12, (procession from Town Hall at 10.00 am). Mr Moughtin to attend.

12.92. **Parish Maintenance:**

a. Tidying of Maughold Village Car Park. **Noted.**

b. Compass at Arboretum. This matter had been dealt with above at 12.88.b

12.93. **PLANNING.**

The following decisions were noted. No further action.

a. **Decisions from DLGE:**

12/00366/B **Land btwn Holly Bank and 9 Ballagorry Drive**, Erection of 4 detached dwellings – Approved 24.05.12.

12/00453/B **The Nook, Ballajora Crossing**, Alts & Erection of extensions to dwelling – Approved 16.05.12

12/00476/B **Thie Y Chleree**, Maughold Village, Demol. Of existing rear extension and erection of a replacement 2 storey extension inc. erection of double garage – Approved 16.05.12.

12/00544/B **The Barn**, Maughold Village, Installation of 4 roof lights – Approved 17.05.12.

b. **Planning to Consider:**

12/00742/B **Margher e Kew**, Installation of Solar Panels of approved barn conversion (10/01077/B). **No Objection.**

12/00473/B **Part Field 624114, Rhowin Road**, Erection of 2 sheds (amended plans).

Ramsey Application at Ballure – Correspondence from resident of Ballure Road. **No Objection.**

b.i. **Appeal Matters:**

11/01333/B Appeal against approval for erection of a detached dwelling, **land adjacent to Shan Vallah**, The Colony; Hearing Date 13.06.12. 2.00 pm. **Noted. No further instruction to clerk.**

c. **Building Control Certificates, etc:** None received.

12.94. **Finance Consideration of May 2012 Finances.** The following matters were noted.

| INV. | DATE | EXPENDITURE | GROSS | VAT | CHQ |
|------|-----------|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|------|
| DD | | Manx Telecom | 49.84 | 8.31 | DD |
| 11 | 12-May-12 | IOM Gov CA Site 1st Qtr 13 | 3,548.70 | 591.45 | 2846 |
| 12 | | IOM Municipal Association | 77.80 | | 2847 |
| 13 | 04-Jun-12 | NLASPB Bal YE12 | 417.09 | | 2849 |
| 13a | | PKF Audit YE 11 | 3,840.00 | 640.00 | 2850 |
| 14 | | Island Contr Arbo 3 cuts & 2 Corony | 290.00 | | 2851 |
| 15 | | Chris Littler Web Design Jan-May | 155.00 | | 2852 |
| 16 | | Spotless May | 200.00 | | 2853 |
| 17 | | MEA toilets & MV Car Park | 27.95 | 1.29 | 2854 |
| 18 | | Feltons | 118.22 | 19.70 | 2855 |
| 19 | | Wolseley Uk | 37.82 | 6.30 | 2856 |
| 20 | | Maint & Office Expenditure | 134.93 | | 2857 |
| 21 | | IOM Gov NI & ITIP May | 461.83 | | 2858 |

May Income: £10, 853.92 Rates (YE 13); £4,436.00 VAT (YE12)

May Financial Overview. A spreadsheet detailing the status of the Commissioners accounts at end May 12 was circulated at the meeting for consideration.

12.95. **Any other Business**

Mrs Fargher drew the attention of Members to the recent retirement of Mrs Woolley who had reported northern community events and Commissioners business over a period or around 30 years. Mrs Woolley's work had been vital in communicating with residents in this time. The clerk was instructed to write to Mrs Woolley congratulating her on her retirement.

12.96. **General Correspondence/Information File**

The following documents were also placed into the file:

Tynwald – Guidance for Potential Petitioners at Tynwald Hill.

DoI – Tipping Figures April 12, 38.48 tonnes (5 cycles), Average 16.7 kg per bin; equates to annual household refuse of 869 kg per household.

DEFA – Advising that the Building Control (Amendment) Act 2011 is in force (summary of changes in CF).

RTLC – AD&N no 370.

Chief Minister – May e-newsletter available at <http://www.gov.im/lib/docs/cso/webmayenews.pdf>.

Dong Energy – Community Newsletter no. 2 re. Walney Offshore Wind Farm.

Communications Commission – Press release regarding measures to reduce the cost of mobile phones.

DoI – Final Draft Area plan for the South.

Private Session

The meeting was closed at 10.45 pm.

Next Meeting Monday July 2nd 2012

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