

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAUGHOLD PARISH COMMISSIONERS HELD ON Monday
3rd September 2012, 7.30 PM AT DHOON CHURCH HALL**

7.30 pm Meeting of Maughold Parish Commissioners – Public Session

Present: Mr R. Moughtin, Mr M. Cowley, Mrs M. Fargher, Mrs C Perks.
M. Royle (Clerk).

12.131. Apologies: Mr J. Quayle.

12.132. Declarations of any Interests in the business of the Agenda. No matters were declared.

12.133. Consideration of the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the 9th of August 2012. These were considered to be an accurate record of the meeting. Proposed Mrs Fargher. Seconded, Mrs Perks. **Resolved.**

12.134. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 9th of August 2012.

Mrs Fargher asked if any prices had been received for the cost of installation of hand dryers in Maughold Village toilets. The clerk reported that a local company was in the process of forwarding a quotation. This would be discussed at the October meeting.

12.135. Matters for Discussion

- Preparations for Civic Sunday 2012: Mr Moughtin reported that all arrangements had been made. He thanked Ian Faulds and Ian Thompson for their assistance and looked forward to an enjoyable and successful service.

- Preparations for Garff Commissioners' Carol Service 2012. The clerk was instructed to contact Ian Faulds to organise a date for the service.

- Initial report on the formation of a Garff Board.

This report had been circulated and was discussed. The general consensus was that more detail was required. It was agreed that further discussion should take place at the next GJIC meeting in October. Mr Moughtin suggested that each of the three authorities be asked to provide a detailed list of assets and services delivered. This would allow a full discussion of what a new Garff Board would be responsible for and how it would operate. The role of the three Commissions would need to be discussed and identified if a Garff Board were formed. It was thought that services such as litter bins, toilet cleaning and grounds maintenance could be run by the Board.

Action: *The date of the next Garff meeting is to be established. Maughold to chair.*

12.136. Current Consultations for consideration:

a. Consultation on the Post Office Amendment Bill 2012 (any comment by 5th Oct 12).

This consultation was discussed. It was felt that the proposals were vague. It was agreed that no response from the Commissioners was necessary.

b. Consultation on the Scope of Government Report (any comment by 5th Oct 12)

The proposals and recommendations in regard to local government reform were noted with some concern. It was felt that the wording of the document had been carefully crafted to lead respondents to agree that local authorities should be amalgamated into larger structures. It was noted that there was no detail in the document, and that there was no opportunity to consider real facts and issues in regard to local government reform. Mr Moughtin proposed a public meeting to inform the public about the implications of local government reform as indicated in the consultation document. This was seconded by Mr Cowley and Resolved. A provisional date of Thursday 27th of September was agreed. The consensus was that the meeting should outline to Maughold ratepayers what government is looking to do. Mr Cowley suggested that comparisons should be drafted to indicate the likely increase in rates should amalgamation with Ramsey be forced through by central government. It was also noted that it was the intention of government to give local authorities responsibility for a range of services currently delivered by central government and to charge for these services on the rates. This would potentially increase the rates even further. It was agreed that the ratepayer needed to be advised of government's intentions to increase the rates through both amalgamation and transferring the cost of further services onto the rates.

Action: clerk to book the Hall in Maughold Village. The clerk was also asked to write to the Municipal Association requesting Members to ask government for an extension to the consultation deadline. Mr Rodan to be invited to the public meeting.

Full list of all current consultations in C/F. **Noted.**

12.137. Correspondence

a. **Laxey Village Commissioners** – Invitation to Civic Service, Sunday 23rd September 2012, 11.00 am Laxey Methodist Church. **Noted.**

b. **Douglas Corporation** – Invitation to join in the 'Big Tidy Up' Event – 29th September 2012. **Noted.**

c. **Dalrymple Associates** – List of possible contractors to maintain war memorial.

Action: *clerk to contact the named contractors and obtain quotes.*

d. Resident – Copy letter to rally organisers expressing concerns with operation of rally. **Noted.**

e. Resident – concerning overgrown hedges on the Rhenab & Cornaa Roads. **Noted.**

12.138. Parish Maintenance and Health & Safety Matters:

a. clearance of camping equipment and litter from Maughold Brooghs car park. **Noted. The clerk was instructed to invoice MNH for removal of tipping should it occur in future.**

b. Tipping of carpet at Glen Mona Hotel Car Park. **Noted.**

c. DoI – regarding 'centralisation' of control of speed signs.

Mrs Fargher proposed that the clerk write to the NTMLG indicating that the Commissioners wished to ensure that speed signs continued to be used on the A2 at the northern and southern entries to Glen Mona. The letter to also advise that the Commissioners would prefer to have control over the use of the signs on behalf of the community. It was agreed that the clerk should investigate the cost of purchasing similar signs.

There followed discussion of the use of 'PC Flat' in the Glen Mona area.

Action: *The clerk was asked to contact the northern policing team in this regard.*

12.139. PLANNING.

a. **Decisions from DLGE:** None.

b. Planning to Consider:

a. 12/01080/B **13 Cronk Cardle**, Alterations and erection of a two storey extension: Mr & Mrs M Royle.

The clerk left the meeting and hall for the duration of this discussion. **No objection. Leave to planners.**

b. 12/00832/B **Cronk ny Killey**, Demolition of existing dwelling and the erection of a replacement dwelling; Members were concerned that these were broadly similar proposals to those that had been previously refused. The proposals were for a dwelling that was off the current footprint and extended the curtilage of the dwelling. The clerk was instructed to forward an objection to the proposals.

c. 12/01174/B **Port e Vullen House**, Alterations and extensions to dwelling.

No objection. Leave to planners.

d. 12/01176/B **Port e Vullen House**, Installation of new windows and alterations to existing windows. **No objection. Leave to planners.**

e. 12/01185/TEL **Embankment at Bulgham**, Installation of 12.5 m slim line monopole with 2 antennas, and assoc. cabinets; Manx Telecom.

This application was carefully discussed. It was noted that the site was under the ownership of the commissioners. Members also noted that MT had chosen the site to improve coverage to an area where there had been several accidents in recent years. Mr Cowley stated that the improved coverage would benefit drivers, riders and walkers in the Dhoon Glen. The clerk advised that if the mast went ahead there would be a wayleave payment to the Commissioners. The level of this payment had yet to be established. Mrs Fargher had some concern with the visual intrusion but noted that the applicant had made efforts to mitigate this by siting it next to the poles on the MER. The clerk was instructed to respond.

b.i. Appeal Matters:

12/00366/B Erection of 4 detached dwellings between Holly Bank and 9 Ballagorry Drive, Glen Mona. Original approval decision confirmed. **Noted.**

c. **Building Control Certificates, etc** – None.

12.140. Finance

FINANCES AUGUST 12

INV.	DATE	EXPENDITURE	GROSS	VAT	CHQ
58	09-Aug-12	Kinrade Bros AV July	297.60	49.60	2897
DD	25-Aug-12	Manx Telecom Aug	48.82	8.14	DD
59	03-Sep-12	GS Expenses	41.95		2898
60		plants Belle Vue (Claimed Back MER)	21.00		2899
61		Island Contractors	160.00		2900
62		IOM Gov NI & ITIP Aug			2901
63		Signrite IOM	120.00	20.00	2902
64		MSC Ents(Parish and Diamond Jub Days)	933.43		2903
65		Spotless Aug	200.00		2904
66		MEA	27.93	1.30	2905

Income: VAT Apr,May,Jun 12 £4,115.21

August Financial Overview. A spreadsheet was circulated at the meeting for consideration.

12.141. Any other Business

None raised.

12.142. General Correspondence/Information File – the following item was **Noted**.

- document from Dong Energy re. Walney Wind Farm.

Public Session of the meeting closed at 9.55 pm.

Private Session -

Meeting Closed 10.25 pm.

Next Meeting Monday 1st October 2012
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