

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAUGHOLD PARISH COMMISSIONERS HELD ON  
MONDAY DECEMBER 9<sup>th</sup> 2013, 7.30 PM AT DHOON CHURCH HALL**

**7.30 pm** Meeting of Maughold Parish Commissioners

**Present:** Mrs M. Fargher (Chairman), Mr M. Cowley, Mr R Moughtin, Mr Quayle.  
Clerk: M. Royle

13.148. Apologies: The clerk advised that Mrs Perks was unable to attend and had forwarded apologies.

13.149. Declarations of any Interests in the business of the Agenda. None declared.

13.150. Consideration of the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the 4<sup>th</sup> of November 2013. **Mr Quayle** proposed that these were a correct record. Seconded, **Mrs Fargher**. Resolved.

13.151. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> of November 2013. See item 13.152 below.

13.152. **Matters for Discussion.**

- a. To discuss developments regarding the Housing Review Report. Recommendations accepted at November Tynwald. **Mr Moughtin** referred to the Garff authorities meeting with representatives from Onchan Commissioners to discuss the options they could offer to administer public housing across the Sheading. **Mrs Fargher** advised that a growing number of local authorities were expressing concern that the Housing Review proposals would just add a further layer of bureaucracy. **Mr Quayle** concurred with this. **Mr Cowley** questioned whether local authorities would coordinate a response to government on this matter, stating that apathy favours government by allowing them to railroad changes through. **Mr Moughtin** suggested that residents and local authorities should write to their MHK before the proposed changes were finalised. **Mr Quayle** stated that we can either do nothing or act now. **Mrs Fargher** advised members that the clerk had briefed Mr Rodan on the Commissioners' views prior to the debate in Tynwald. It was anticipated that further discussion would take place at the January meeting.
- b. To discuss setting the rate and refuse charge for YE 15. It was noted that government had not advised on the charges it was going to set for the Civic Amenity Site. Once this was released an appropriate rate could be set at the January meeting.
- c. To discuss Island of Culture 2014 (raised in writing by Mrs Fargher 18.11.13). Booklet circulated & text copy in CF. Mrs Fargher requested that members submit suggestions in relation to this initiative to the clerk. Mrs Fargher to raise with the MSC Committee.
- d. To discuss draft Refuse Contract (attached) prior to GJIC meeting on 03.12.13. The GJIC had proposed that Kinrade Bros. Haulage be engaged as refuse collection contract for a further three years pending agreement to terms and conditions. This was agreed and resolved. Mrs Fargher requested that the number of bins indicated at Kirk Maughold and Dhoon Church be amended.  
**Action:** *clerk to liaise with Laxey and Lonan clerks.*
- e. To discuss Local Government (Members Attendance Allowances) Order 2013 (correspondence now received from DoI to be discussed). Mr Cowley referred to the dismay at the manner with which these orders were railroad through. Mrs Fargher noted that the option adopted in the Orders had not been a part of the consultation.  
**Action:** *Mr Cowley proposed that the Commissioners should write to the Minister, Mr Cretney, requesting a summary of his opinion on the matter, and expressing concern with the manner in which the new Orders had been imposed. Mr Cowley also proposed that correspondence be sent to Mr Rodan requesting his view on the way in which the matter had been handled. These actions were agreed and resolved.*
- f. To discuss response from Minister Cretney in regard to alternative means for waste collection. This correspondence was noted. Mr Cretney had stated that the Head of Waste Operations Mr Wrigley would contact the Commissioners by the end of November. It was noted that this had not happened.

### 13.153. **Current Consultations for consideration:**

List of current government consultations circulated & attached for information. **Noted.**

#### 13.153. **Correspondence**

- a. **DoI** – Information regarding extension of Raad ny Foillan coastal path around Bulgham Head. Noted.
- b. **Resident** – regarding 'poor' provision of broadband services in Maughold. This correspondence was read and noted. It was also noted that Mr Rodan had been contacted by the resident and had made enquiries with Manx Telecom: responses to which had been forwarded to the resident.
- c. **Onchan Commissioners** – letter to Mr Robertshaw regarding housing review dated 15.11.13. This correspondence was placed into the Circulation File.
- d. **CSO** – dated 15.11.13. re. World War 1 Commemorations. Noted.
- e. **Rates Section Treasury** – Indicating cessation of rate reduction at a Glen Mona Property. Noted.
- f. **Port St Mary Commissioners** – Invitation to Celebration of Christmas on Friday 6 December 2013 in the Town Hall, Port St Mary starting at 7.30pm. Noted.
- g. **DoI** – Acknowledgement of Commissioners' letter re. the Report to Tynwald on Waste Collection across the island. Noted.
- h. **DoI** – Re Budget setting and Future Rate Borne Schemes.
- i. DoI – Re Strategic Plan Review (consultation available at <http://www.gov.im/categories/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/strategic-plan/>). Noted reserve comment until January. Mrs Fargher and Mr Moughtin to attend meeting on behalf of the Commissioners.
- k. LGU – Additions to local authority powers re. War memorials. Noted.

#### 13.154. **Parish Maintenance and Health & Safety Matters:**

a. To discuss the recent Play Area Refurbishment.

**Action:** *the clerk was instructed to forward a job list to the contractor and obtain a quotation for completion of the tasks.*

b. Maughold Village Car Park surface refurbishment – further quotes obtained.

Members considered the three quotations and resolved to accept the tender from Island Contractors. Clerk to arrange for works to be undertaken in the new year.

c. War Memorial in Maughold Churchyard – Update from the contractor, Mr Allinson. The clerk reported that Mr Allinson had re-pointed the plinth, but had advised that the structure be re-built at some stage in the next two to three years.

#### 13.155. **PLANNING.**

##### a. **Decisions from DLGE:**

13/91136/B **Field 620800, Ballakilly Farm**, Erection of replacement barn; Mr Robert Quayle – Approved 14.11.13

13/91106/B **Ballagilly Farm**, relocation of vehicular access, erection of new stable block and horse riding menege; Mr A.B. Byers – Approved 20.11.13

13/00913/B **Field 624105, Rhowin Road**, erection of agricultural building and hard standing area; Mr and Mrs Allinson – Approved 02.12.13.

##### b. **Planning to Consider: -**

**Cronk ny Killey** – No direct objections to proposals as submitted. Clerk instructed to advise that any amendments would be opposed if they increased the size, scope or impact of the new dwelling.

b.i. **Appeal Matters:** - none

b.iii. **Enforcement Matters:** - none

### 13.156. Finance

#### FINANCES NOVEMBER 13

INV.	DATE	EXPENDITURE	GROSS	VAT	CHQ
DD	25.11.13	Manx Telecom	48.59	8.10	DD
77	02-Dec-13	BDO Audit Fee 13	4,132.80	688.80	3069
78		Feltons	99.79	16.63	3070
80		IOM Gov Tipping Oct	1,856.35	309.35	3072
81		Dhoon Church Hall Hire	300.00		3073
82		Kinrade AV	364.80	60.80	3074
83		MEA PL	26.26	1.23	3075
84		Spotless Nov	220.00		3076
85		Island Contractors	145.00		3077
86		IOM Gov NI & ITIP	422.04		3078
87		IOM Gov Tipping Nov 13	1,765.92	294.32	3080
88		IOM Water & Sew. Auth	54.75		3081
86.b		Clerk Chr Trees & lights etc	322.02		3082
89		Kinrade AV Nov	192.00	32.00	3083

### 13.157. General Correspondence/Information File The following correspondence was noted.

- a. **DoI** - Tipping figures October 13. 26.97 tonnes. Average 14.91 kg per bin, equates to average annual household tipping of 0.77 tonnes.
- b. **DEFA** – Notification of license request for an EnSo Ocean Classic treatment plant at Holly Trees, Glen Mona Loop road; treated effluent to be piped to a stream immediately adjacent to the property. This stream then connects to the Cornaa River (documents in CF).
- c. **Port St Mary Commissioners** – Invitation to Celebration of Christmas event on Friday 6 December 2013 in the Town Hall, Port St Mary starting at 7.30
- d. **Douglas Corporation** – Invitation to Christmas Drinks reception, 6.00 pm Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013, Town Hall.
- e. **Ramsey Commissioners** – Indicating reasons for not consulting with northern authorities prior to approaching DSC offering to manage housing in other areas; and invitation to join in dialogue in regard to public housing for the 'mutual benefit of all concerned', dated 26.11.13.  
**MF read letter to meeting.** JQ pointed out diff to what Onch offering.
- f. **DSC** – Regarding Tynwald approval of the Housing Review Recommendations, dated 21.11.13.
- g. **Department of Health** – *Materials on 2013 Christmas Drink Driving Campaign.*
- h. Tynwald Annual report 2013.

### 13.158. Searches: Deepdene, Port Lewaigue; April Cottage, Corran; Modena View (formerly Sea Croft), Ballajora. Noted.

13.159. **Committees, etc.**

1. **Municipal Association** – Documents re. 28<sup>th</sup> November 2013 Meeting in C/F.  
Note: e-mail from Barbara Dunworth re. post office counter services (10.11.13). Noted.

2. **Housing** - ntr

3. **Swimming Pool** - ntr

4. **Northern Traffic Management Liaison Group** – ntr

5. **Garff Joint Initiative** - Next meeting Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2013. 7.00 pm Laxey Commissioners' Offices – Maughold to Chair.

There followed discussion of the formation of a single Garff Authority. Messrs Moughtin and Quayle advised Members that the GJIC had asked each authority to indicate its position on this matter. It was noted that in the past the public had demonstrated support for a Garff Authority rather than for Maughold to form together with Ramsey and the northern authorities. The general consensus was that amalgamation with Laxey and Lonan should be discussed at this stage. Therefore a resolution was passed stating that Maughold Commissioners had resolved to enter into discussions with Laxey and Lonan to create a single local authority for the Sheading of Garff. Mr Moughtin observed that the public would have to be fully consulted prior to any decision being made.

**Action:** *the clerk was instructed to contact Laxey and Lonan and advise them of the resolution to initiate such discussion.*

6. **Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team.** Minutes 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013 in CF. Next Meeting Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2013, 9.30 Ramsey Town Hall. Noted.

13.160. **Any Other Business –**

Clifton Corner DoI Wall Collapse – Mrs Fargher asked if the clerk could pursue DoI for an update on the situation.

Meeting closed 10.25 pm.

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**Next Meeting Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2014**