

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAUGHOLD PARISH COMMISSIONERS HELD ON
MONDAY April 7th 2014, 7.30 PM AT DHOON CHURCH HALL**

7.30 pm Meeting of Maughold Parish Commissioners

Present: Mrs M Fargher Mr M. Cowley, Mr R Moughtin, Mrs C Perks, Mr J Quayle.

14.28 Apologies: All Members present.

14.29. Declarations of any Interests in the business of the Agenda. None declared besides those discussed at 14.31 below.

14.30. Consideration of the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the 3rd March 2014. These were agreed to be a correct record. Proposed **Mr Moughtin**, seconded **Mr Cowley**. **Resolved**.

14.31. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 3rd of March 2014.

Daffodil Competition. **Mrs Fargher** reported that she had attended on the day of the judging of the daffodil competition with the clerk. The Captain of the Parish, **Mrs Lace** had judged the competition. **Mrs Fargher** advised that the standard of entries had been extremely high. **Mrs Fargher** asked if a letter could be forwarded to **Mrs Lace CP** thanking her for undertaking judgement of the competition. **Agreed**.

14.32. Matters for Discussion.

- a. Feedback on Garff Authority Meeting, and to discuss further investigation of a single Garff local authority (Rates Equalisation Information CF).

Mr Moughtin indicated that the meeting in Maughold had gone extremely well, with unanimous support for the investigation of the formation of a single Garff Local authority. The attendance at the public meeting had been less than in previous years, but it was noted that the poorer turnout was perhaps due to the error made by Lonan Commissioners with the content of the letter. Mr Moughtin reported that there had been many questions about the impact on the rates of amalgamation with Laxey/Lonan as opposed to amalgamation with Ramsey. It was also noted that Laxey and Lonan had both had meetings and had similar outcomes.

The GJIC meeting had taken place and the 7 queries put forward in Mr Dobson's document had been considered. These were considered by the Board of Maughold Parish Commissioners as follows: 1). Agreed "Garff"; 2). How many elected members, 3 wards, on current lines 3 members each. Discussion followed on the validity and effectiveness of a Board with 6 members. Mr Cowley stated that one of the primary reasons for amalgamation was to save money, so any reorganization had to have this aspect as a principal focus. Mr Cowley also stated that equality of representation between the three areas of Garff was a priority if the amalgamation were to progress fairly. 3). Mrs Fargher raised the issue of the administration of sheltered housing should a Garff authority be formed. It was felt that the new arrangements would allow access across the Island for these facilities, so this may not be an issue that caused difficulties for a Garff local authority structure. 4). Probably have office in Laxey / 5. Staff – This matter needed closer assessment / 6. Assets: It was felt that these would pass to the new authority. / 7
Go to next step via application to Tynwald, etc.

- b. Bus Shelter northbound A2 Glen Mona (*additional correspondence from Glen Mona Resident in CF*). It was agreed that the removal of the bus shelter was an unfortunate matter. It was noted that neither the DoI, nor Bus Vannin had consulted with the Commissioners or community.
Action: *Mr Cowley to make investigations and advise the Commissioners.*
- c. To discuss additional legal protection insurance for Members and officers.
The clerk had circulated documents supplied via Kestrel Insurance. No further actions at this stage.

- d. To discuss the written answer from DoI Minister , Laurence Skelly to Mr Rodan’s question on refuse collection figures in Mr Wrigley’s ‘AMSD’ Report. The clerk reported that a response had been sent via the GJIC. This had been drafted by Mr Rosa of Laxey Commissioners.
- e. To discuss transfer of Britannia Building Society account. It was agreed that monies should be transferred into a new account at Isle of Man Bank. Proposed, **Mr Quayle**. Seconded **Mr Cowley**. **Resolved**.

14.33. Current Consultations for consideration:

DSC - Minimum Standards for Child Day Care Centres Consultation. No actions requested.

List of current government consultations circulated & attached for information. No actions requested.

14.34. Correspondence

- a. **Resident GM Loop Road** – Reporting incidents of speeding on the Glen Mona Loop Road. It was agreed that these matters would be taken to the meeting of the NTMLG on the 22nd of April 2014. The clerk was also asked to make investigations with Highways in regard to the placement of ‘smiley face’ signs on the A2 around Dhoon School.
- b. **Resident of Boilushag** – regarding provision of local authority services. This correspondence was read and circulated. Its contents were noticed with interest.
- c. **Stephen Hind; Treasury** – clarification regarding the recent audit consultation. **Noted**.
- d. **Laxey Commissioners** – Invitation to take part in Commonwealth Games Baton Relay in Laxey, Saturday May 17th 2014. **Noted**. Clerk to advise that a Member of the Commission will attend.
- e. **MT access to Bulgham** – Documents to allow MT to access the site at Bulgham were signed by the Chairman and clerk.
- f. **Rates Consultation , Tynwald** – The clerk was instructed to ask for an extension to allow submission of comments from the Commissioners on the 8th of May.

14.35. Parish Maintenance and Health & Safety Matters:

The clerk reported on progress at Maughold Village Car Park and at the Arboretum.

14.36. PLANNING.

- a. **Decisions from DLGE:** The following decisions were noted.

14/00025/B **Dreemskerry Farm**, erection of single storey extension and alterations to windows – Approved 20.03.14

13/91500/C **Unaig**, Ballafayle Road, removal of agricultural worker’s occupancy condition – application withdrawn.

b. Planning to Consider: -

14/00230/B **Magher Breck**, alterations and conversion of outbuilding to a dwelling;

AP: **No Objections**.

14/00365/C **Cerise Cottage**, Ballure Holiday Homes, Maughold IM7 1AD. It was noted that the applicant was under the impression that consent for other holiday cottages in the vicinity had been officially approved. The clerk was asked to investigate whether this was the case as it would be a matter that could affect a decision by the Planning Committee on this application.

14/00171/B Starley Cottage, Port e Vullen, Amendments to plans for alterations and erection of extension to dwelling; Mr B Kelly. **No objections.**

b.i. **Appeal Matters:** -

b.iii. **Enforcement Matters:** -

b.iv. **Completion Certificates** – 13/07114/DEX **Dhoon Parsonage**, construction of bedroom over kitchen. Issued, 18.03.14. **Noted.**

14.37. **General Correspondence/Information File**

Documents in Circulation File. **These were noted at the meeting.**

- Tipping Figures February 2014 & March 2014
- A2 Closure south of Glen Mona Hotel (GM Loop Road is alternative route) 6pm – midnight, 9th or 10th April For culvert maintenance.
- Information request from 'GoDoActive' Organisation.
- Schedule of fees for planning applications from 1st April 2014.
- MSPCA – statement on loss of dog warden.

14.24. **Searches:** Booilushag House. **Noted.**

14.38. FINANCES March 14 **The following were noted:**

DD	MT	46.63	7.77	DD
117	07-Apr-14	IOM Gov NI & ITIP		3116
118		KM Church to 15.06.14	355.00	3117
119		Kinrade AV March 14	249.60	41.60 3118
120		IOM Gov Tipping Feb	1,654.43	275.74 3119
121		MEA Contract	194.40	32.40 3120
122		Spotless March	220.00	3121
123		LPC Mailshot	286.86	3122
124		MEA	141.97	6.75 3123
125		Island Contractors	1,547.44	159.02 3124

14.39. **Committees, etc.**

1. **Municipal Association** – documents relating to March 2014 meeting in CF. **Noted.**
2. **Housing** – ntr.
3. **Swimming Pool** – ntr.
4. **Northern Traffic Management Liaison Group** – Matters for April Meeting 22.04.14. Clerk to attend.
5. **Garff Joint Initiative** minutes 26.03.14. in CF. Weds 23rd April.
6. **Northern Neighbourhood Policing Team.** Next Meeting Tuesday 8th of April 2014, 9.30 Ramsey Town Hall. Clerk to forward apologies.

14.40. **Any Other Business**

Mr Cowley requested that the clerk ensure that the previously outstanding rates at Maughold Lighthouse had been settled now the property had changed hands.

Mr Moughtin advised that it was now costing eight pounds to dispose of a TV at the CA site. Members were concerned that operational changes were not being communicated to the northern local authorities.

Action: *The clerk was instructed to contact WOMU and request that changes to operational practice and pricing are communicated to the Commissioners.*

To discuss WW1 Commemoration *(discussion proposed by Mrs Fargher 30.03.14)*

Mrs Fargher asked if the school could become involved in the commemorations in Maughold in November 2014.

The clerk was asked to discuss this matter with Mr Jenkins at the school.

AP Stile dhon loop road broken

Mrs Fargher alerted the attention of Members to a leaking septic tank at a property on the GM Loop Road.

The clerk was asked to investigate and forward details to IOM Utilities.

Mrs Fargher asked if the milestone on the Glen Mona Loop Road could be refurbished as previously agreed. Clerk to contact the contractor.

Meeting closed at 10.15 pm.

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Next Meeting AGM Monday 5th May 2014