The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday 12th December 2017 at 7pm, the Community Hall, Clenagh Road, Sulby Lezayre.

Members present: Mr K Brew (Vice Chairman), Mr J Teare, Mr A Radcliffe and Miss V Radcliffe. Mrs Quane did not attend due to illness and had sent her apologies to the clerk. Mrs Rimmer the clerk took the minutes. There were no members of the public and no members of the press in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 2nd November 2017, having been circulated, were taken as read with a small amendment to the paragraph in relation to branches trimmed on the Kella Back Road. All members agreed this amendment.

**Matters arising from the minutes**

The clerk explained that she had now created the recycling area in the foyer of the Community Hall, which had been used by some of the hirers of our facilities. The area includes a small educational display.

The clerk explained that she had cancelled the attendance of Mr Dale (Beach Buddies) and Mr Jackson to this months meeting and they are to attend in January instead. They are attending to discuss how we can decrease the amount of litter left in Sulby Glen.

The clerk explained that she had been chasing up Ballamanaugh Properties regarding the condition of the green bridge area on the Claddagh Road. Mr Brew proposed and Mr Teare seconded that we write directly to Mr Goodfellow (Manager of Ballamannah Farm).

Mr Teare advised that he had spoken to a member of staff at the DOI regarding the trees trimmed on the Kella Back Road. The DOI had trimmed these trees and they had also agreed that the trimming will be removed, but that a chipper would be required.

The Clerk advised that she had received some prices for a replacement bench at Ballabrooie Estate. A favourable price had been supplied by DEFA Forestry Department giving us a discount of 25%. The members agreed for us to purchase the bench from DEFA, but the clerk is to find out if the bench could have a small engraving, or plaque, identifying it as “Lezayre Parish Commissioners”.

The clerk advised that she had heard back from Paul Curran (DOI) regarding the hedge at Mrs Duggua’s property on the Andreas Road. His suggestion was quite direct and the members agreed that the clerk should speak with Mr Wilson of Island Tree and Landscaping who we know looks after this section of the hedge on behalf of the landowner.

The clerk showed the members a revised plan for the Kella Road/Kella Close area which had been amended following the meeting held with residents who park their vehicles in this area. This is to be sent out to the residents for any further feedback. The members asked the clerk to write to the owners of the property Kella House, advising them regarding the removal of DYL’s to the front of their property and also to write to Andrea Hawley (DOI) requesting that a white line is painted on the road to prevent vehicles parking and blocking their access.

The clerk showed the members a mock up of a sign created to recognise Bayr Jairg Charrin, in Sulby Glen. The members agreed that this sign could be purchased at price of £22.50.

The clerk updated the members regarding the PROW050 Sulby Claddagh. No Motorbike signs removed, some fences vandalised. Also damage to the main gate had been reported today to the clerk my Mr Cain. He was expecting a call from the police later to make a statement. These incidents had been passed on to Paul Curran along with photographs taken by the clerk. The members suggested that the police should pay a visit to this area on a regular basis and to adopt a proactive role to resolve this long ongoing matter regarding the use of the PROW by motorised vehicles.

Mr Teare advised that there was no progress regarding who had placed the branches outside Springbank Cottage on the Claddagh Road. He also suggested that we should seek confirmation to see if the tree in question was on DOI land as it is between the stream and the road.

Mr Teare advised the members of the last meeting of the NTLGM attended by himself and the clerk. This was poorly attended as no members were present from Jurby, Andreas and Bride. The Police were also
absent with no engineer or secretary from the DOI. Items were reported at this meeting which included the road bollards requested for the Tholt y Wil Road and Glen Auldyn Road. Other outstanding items which included road markings on the Clenagh Road, outside the Sulby Glen Hotel were also mentioned. Mrs Hawley advised that each authority could bring to the meeting each quarter 3 items which would be progressed through the system. The clerk reported that the bollards were now in place at both requested locations. Mr Brew requested that we report the lack of cats eyes on the mountain road at the junction of the Tholt y Wil Road and also to remove a splodge of white paint at this location.

The clerk referred to the recent consultation “Changing Local Government Legislation” and if any of the members had completed it. She advised that she had submitted answers stating that they were her answers and not those of the members of Lezayre Parish Commissioners.

**Correspondence**

**Isle of Man Government**

**Copy of Programme for Government 2016-2021** – Mr Radcliffe took this document to read through.

**President of Tynwald** – Invite to Tynwald Christmas Carol Service – Thursday 14th December at 1.10pm – St Mary’s of the Isle Church, Hill Street, Douglas

**Tynwald Annual Report** – 2016/17

**Department of Health and Social Care** – Notice for us to display regarding information/advice about services, patient information/referrals etc. Displayed outside Clerk’s office.

**The Treasury – Consultation** Proposed changes to local government financial reporting – closing 19th January 2018 – the clerk advised that she will respond to this consultation.

**Cabinet Office** –

Public Consultation on possible ways of improving the Island’s Planning System – closing Friday 15th December 2017 – **This has now been extended until 8th January 2018** – The members briefly discussed this consultation and agreed that comments would be submitted individually by each member.

Letter from Chris Thomas MHK - 2018 Year of our Island

**Department of Enterprise** – Tourist Act Consultation – No comment

**Infrastructure** –

**Minister for Infrastructure** – Feedback re Local Authority Transition – The members discussed the feedback submitted to the Minister.

**Local Authority Functions** – details for DOI website – the members checked through the information provided by the Local Government Unit, suggesting some changes, but importantly it should be noted any services are only available during office hours only. Outside office hours should be directed to DOI.

**Highways** -

DOI 418 - A9 Andreas Road (Ramsey/Lezayre/Andreas) Temporary Imposition of 30mph speed limit
DOI 426 - Temporary imposition of 50mph speed limit on roads in Lezayre and Jurby
DOI 427 - A14 Sulby Glen Road (Lezayre) Temporary Closure
DOI 420 – A13 Jurby Road (Ramsey and Lezayre) Temporary imposition of 30mph speed limit

The above notices are to cover works of Tree Lopping and footway clearance. The clerk is to check if the work has been carried out as agreed with DOI in the Lezayre area.

It was noted that some pot holes reported on the Kella Road had been repaired.

The clerk was instructed to write a letter of thanks to the DOI regarding the re-surfacing work to a stretch of the Jurby Road.
Public Transport – Posters for display “Track Safety” awareness.

Road Traffic Licensing Committee – Applications Decisions Notices -Bus Vannin to introduce a “Demand Responsive” service north of the A3 road between Kirk Michael and Ramsey town border, all of the town of Ramsey and Maughold Parish and also to/from Nobles Hospital, Ramsey Cottage Hospital, the Isle of Man Sea Terminal and Ronaldsway Airport from/to any point on the Island. The members think this service is a good idea.

Isle of Man Courts of Justice – General Registry –

New music, singing and dancing licences (revised area)

Licensing Court Triennial Sessions 2018 – Courts enquiring if any concerns regarding licensed premises in our parish. Reply- None.

World War One Commemoration Steering Group – Minutes of meeting held 6th September 2017 – The clerk asked the members to give some thought as to what the Commissioners may do to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War One

Ramsey Town Commissioners – Advice of press release - “Northern Shared Housing Waiting List”

Information Commissioner – renewal papers for Mr Teare

Sulby Primary School – Invite to attend Nativity Play 13th December 2pm – Thursday 14th December 6pm and date for Christmas Fair – Saturday 16th December 2017 – tickets were organised as requested.

Paul Quayle – reporting issues on Narradale Road – Conservation Verges and bridge wall collapse – The members agreed to support Mr Quayle’s concerns and the clerk is to write to DOI accordingly. Mr Teare commented regarding hedge cutting on this road. The clerk informed the members that she had organised the hedges to be cut from the farm entrance up to the end of the made up road.

Any other Business –

Arthur Radcliffe - Planning – zoning area. Mr Radcliffe is concerned regarding the length of time taken when considering the zoning of areas currently looked at under East, South, West and North regions. This was meant to take place every 5 years but in practice it is taking much longer. The Southern plan is now complete. With the recession at the moment any development should be encouraged to keep the economy ticking over. The members supported Mr Radcliffe’s thoughts and the clerk is to draft a letter to be sent to the planning department.

Heating in hall – This was put on the agenda as a comment had been received regarding the hall being cold at a recent event held by the SLHT. The members hoped that any feedback would be given to the Clerk regarding any issues in relation to Community Hall.

Christmas Tree – The clerk was asked to write to Richard Lyall for delivering the Christmas tree and Graham for setting it up at Sulby Stores.

Allan Brew – email seeking assistance to place a bench on the Sulby Straight in memory of Raymond Caley. The clerk was asked to reply suggested a couple of locations in the area of Ballabrooie estate, but an bench on the TT course would probably require the permission of the DOI.

Road Sweeping – The clerk advised the members that she had received 3 months notice from Jon Corlett our road sweeping contractor. The clerk had made contact with two alternative providers, but the clerk was instructed to find 3 prices for the members to consider at the next meeting.

The clerk updated the members regarding mud on the Ballacaley Road after a farm sale at Mr Plants property. Following a call to Mr Plant he agreed to clean up the road, but this had not been carried out at the time of this meeting. The members felt that we should just get the road swept by our contractor.

Mr Teare advised the members that the issue with his field ditches had finally been resolved reaching a satisfactory conclusion.
Mr Brew asked the clerk to write to Mr Conti regarding the ivy hanging over the wall onto the footpath. The clerk suggested that we write to the Community Service team to see if they are able to assist as they had previously.

Mr Radcliffe advised the members of the sad passing of Myra Kella MBE of Sulby. She was a retired matron who worked at the Ramsey Cottage Hospital and was well known for her dedication to her role at the hospital and to the people of the north for many years. The clerk was asked to make enquiries regarding charities supported by her so that a donation could be forwarded.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 4th January 2018 at 7pm.

There being no further business the Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm

Signed...........................................Chairman

Date.....................................................