The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners Meeting held on Thursday 5th December 2019, at 7.00pm, The Community Hall, Clenagh Road, Sulby, Lezayre.

Members present: Mr. A D Radcliffe (Chairman), Mrs. V A Quane (Vice Chairman), Mr K Brew, Mrs V Radcliffe and Mr J Teare. Mrs M Rimmer the Clerk took the minutes. There were no members of the public and no members of the press in attendance. Mr Brew had advised the Clerk that he would be arriving late to the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the Thursday 7th November 2019, having being circulated, were taken as read and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the minutes

Mrs Quane advised that she had attended German Civic Sunday.

The clerk advised receipt of confirmation from DEFA that no further gravels had been removed from Sulby River. Any future concerns are to be reported directly to DEFA.

Feedback received from the Cabinet Office in connection with the consultation on Tynwald Commissioner for Administration – 23 responses in all – Not all LA’s responded – Only one LA said no (Lezayre) Those LA’s that did respond said yes.

Extract of speed data collected from speed reminder signs in village (Oct 19) placed on notice board. The clerk also advised that DOI may place speed straps on the road to compare data collected via the speed signs.

The clerk advised as requested the weight limit of vehicles on greenway roads was 500kg.

The clerk advised that she was still waiting for a plan from Chris Lally to include with the letter to the landowner of Mount Karin in relation to the gravel coming down the track.

The clerk advised that although Milntown Trustees would be discussing our request regarding the notice board, she had not yet heard back from them.

The clerk asked, as agreed at the last meeting if the members had given any more thoughts to a visit by the Governor of the IOM. The members agreed that we should invite him and the clerk was instructed to contact the relevant office to see if he would be available for a visit sometime during March 2020 and to also ascertain where he had already visited in Lezayre so that a potential list of places to visit could be compiled.

Mr Teare advised that he had attend the meeting held to present the strategy for the adoption of the 2006 Bathing Water Directive standards in the Isle of Man which focussed on delivering the benefits associated which would achieve improved standards for the protection of public health. Also allowing bathers to make informed decisions on when and where to bathe throughout the designated bathing season.

Correspondence

Isle of Man Government

Cabinet Office

Consultation Electoral Legislation - taking forward two Bills as part of the 2019/20 legislative programme – the Registration of Electors Bill 2020 and the Elections (Keys and Local Authorities)
Bill 2020. The aim is to provide greater clarity, simplicity and consistency and to put the voter at the heart of the election process. Mrs Quane took a hard copy of the consultation. The members discussed a recent news item where it had been suggested that a 16 year old could stand as a candidate in the General and Local Elections. (this was not part of the consultation, but the public were encouraged to comment on this matter when they responded to the consultation). The members agreed that we would comment that they did not agree that a 16 year old should stand. The consultation closes on 6th January 2020.

Policy and Reform – regulations for National Policy Directives (NPD) – advising who can propose NPD’s – regulations advised that any Government Department (including the Cabinet Office) or Statutory Board could propose a NPD, which was now extended to include the Communications Commission, The Manx Museum and National Trust of the Manx Utilities Authority or, with the consent of the Council of Ministers, any other person.

Public Libraries – Libraries Data Collection Questions. Not applicable

Change and Reform Team – Participation in VE 75 – Community Parties – The members discussed the possibility of working with the other northern authorities to organise. The clerk was instructed to write to them seeking their views on a joint venture event.

Treasury - Rateable value as at 1st December 2019 to be used for calculation of rates. The clerk explained that the RV had reduced by £26, due to Blacks (quarry) ceasing operation. Although there had been additions throughout the year amounting to £596, Blacks was a reduction of £622

Department of Environment Food and Agriculture -

Planning Changes information Sessions for Local Authorities January 2020. 4 members requested to attend the session at Ramsey Town Hall on Monday 13th January 2020. The clerk would attend an alternative evening either Peel of Douglas.

Reform of the planning system – webpages – various consultations – Mrs Quane asked for further information.

Department of Infrastructure –

Highways - Road Traffic Licensing Committee 504a /Goods Vehicles 10 – Applications, Decisions and Notices

Waste Management – advising gate fee at EFW from 1st April 2020. Increase per tonne from £91.93 to £93.70. Mr Teare who had called to the office earlier in the week had enquired how this increase would effect the Northern Civic Amenity Site. The clerk had worked on some figures for disposal of waste from the site which could amount to £2008.97 per year. (shared between the various authorities)

Department of Health and Social Care – Invite to comment via Consultation following Childhood Healthy Weight Summit – closes 20th December 2019. Mrs Quane asked if the clerk could provide an overview of the survey.

Information Commissioner – Renewal papers for J Teare. To be completed with own address.

Northern Parishes Refuse Collection Service – Copy of 2019 accounts and notice of accounts available to view placed on notice board. The clerk also advised that she had placed a similar notice in relation to our year end accounts.
Sulby Primary School – Nativity Play invite – Mr Radcliffe will advise the clerk if he would like to attend tomorrow.

Christine Wilson – Dhoor Lane – water/road surface etc. The clerk explained that she had written to DOI (Chris Lally) regarding this road asking him to deal with the drainage of water. The condition of the road is very bad and the water would just be adding to the problem. The clerk as advised that she had chased up the repair to potholes on this road.

Mr Brew arrived at this point (7.40pm)

Mr and Mrs Bexon Ingham – St Stephens Meadow – Footpaths and overgrown areas. The clerk advised that she had written to Hartford Homes regarding the various issues raised. They had agreed to deal with some issues, but others related to trees/bushes on private lane. The clerk sought permission from the Commissioners to write to the various land owners. The clerk also advised that she had spoken to DOI regarding the dropped kerb which was badly cracked. This had been reported previously but no action had been taken as DOI worker had advised nothing wrong. DOI are to get this looked at again.

The clerk advised that our weed spraying contractor had been unable to carry out a second spray due to the weather conditions. He will sweep the estates and will also deal with the build up of moss on some areas of the pavement on St Stephens Meadow.

Mrs Quane advised that the Christmas tree will be put up this weekend.

**Date for next meeting Thursday 9th January 2020.**

**Any Other Business**

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 7.50pm.

Signed.............................................Chairman       Date.........................