

The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners Meeting held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020, 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.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019, having being circulated, were taken as read and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

### **Matters arising from the minutes**

The clerk advised that she had contacted Government House in relation to our request for a visit to our parish from the Governor. A date was requested for an afternoon visit during March 20 and a potential list of places to visit was also sent. No reply received as yet.

The clerk advised that she had sent a response to the consultation on Electoral Legislation, including as requested by the Commissioners that people cannot stand for election at the age of 16, it should remain at 18.

The clerk advised that she had written to the northern authorities in connection with VE75 event for May 2020. No response. It was noted that other commissioners may not have had their January meeting yet and to wait until next month for responses.

The clerk reminded the members of the Planning Changes workshop – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 7pm to 9pm at Ramsey Town Hall.

The clerk advised that she had written to the landowners in connection with cutting back trees/bushes on St Stephen's Meadow. She also advised that this estate had been swept by our contractor and the pavements scraped of moss where necessary. The clerk was asked to check again next month to see if any work had been undertaken by the residents. The clerk also advised that our contractor had also undertaken a sweep to the Clenagh Road and pavements up to Coil Aalin, while he was in the area.

Mr Teare asked if the clerk had a update regarding the Dhour Lane. The clerk advised that she had not heard back from Chris Lally (DOI) but would chase this up along with other outstanding queries in relation to the Claddagh Road ditch by Allandale Farm and also the track from Mount Karin to the narrow section of the Tholt y Wil Road.

Mr Radcliffe advised the members that he had attended the Nativity Play at Sulby School, which was enjoyable.

The clerk advised that she had chased up Milntown in connection with our request to re-site our notice board, but she had not received a reply. To be chased again.

### **Correspondence**

#### **Isle of Man Government**

##### **Tynwald – Annual Report**

**Office of the Chief Minister** – Holocaust Memorial Service 2020 Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January at St George's Church, Upper Church Street, Douglas – Poster for notice board

**Cabinet Office** – Clarification of land/road name – The clerk explained that she had received notification from the Cabinet office seeking confirmation of a road name in our parish. The road in question was Claddagh Road. A request had been received by them as a resident was asking for a change of address. The clerk advised the members she had consulted with Mrs Quane and

reverted back that the road in question from from the Old Village to the Ginger Hall was Ny Claddagh (River Meadow Land) also know locally as "The Claddagh Road". No change required. The clerk was not sure why we had received this request but under The Local Government Consolidation Act 1916, it is the Commissioners who are responsible for "houses to be numbered and street names (section 222).

**Department of Environment Food and Agriculture** – Changes to planning and guidance – information will be given at the workshop as above.

**Department of Infrastructure** –

**Local Government Unit** – Local Authority Elections – Public Notice – Election Timetable - Noted

**Highways** –

**Feedback re problems reported – Claddagh Road** – DOI advised that the warden had attended to potholes on this road, but there were no plans to re-lay this road. Mr Teare advised that some potholes appear to have been repaired, but some still remain. - **Kella Road** – DOI advised that the warden has been instructed to attend to pot holes on this road – The clerk was asked to chase these up for further pothole repairs.

**Speed counts – Sulby Village** – The clerk reported on the data collected during the two week period the signs were in place. During the first week it showed that only 25% of vehicles passing through were within the speed limit of 30mph. During the week when operating covertly, this dropped to 15%, which is very poor. It does show that the signs do have an impact, but not enough vehicles are following the speed limit, which is very disappointing.

**RTLK – Applications for Goods Vehicles** – The clerk pointed out that three applications were from operators in our parish.

**Information Commissioner** – renewal papers for clerk (payment required)

Malew Parish Commissioners – invite for Civic Service Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Abbey Church Ballasalla – Mrs Quane may attend

**Juan Vernon** – update Mill Stones – Sulby Old Village. The clerk advised that Mr Vernon had obtained a piece of slate which would be used to mount the information plaque onto as suggested by the Commissioners previously.

**Rob Walls** – Garey Road – The clerk explained that she had received an email string from Rob Walls which was in connection with the very poor condition of the Garey Road, to and from Tim Baker MHK. The outcome being that the road is to be resurfaced during the next financial year 2020/21. The repairs also include a replacement bridge, which will impact the river and can only take place between July and September. The road resurfacing will be undertaken after the bridge has been replaced. The clerk explained that two further suggestions had been made, one by Mr Walls, that the road in the vicinity of the government houses at The Garey be widened to allow residents to park to ease the flow of traffic. Another suggestion by a resident was for the parking spaces at the same properties to be re-tarmacked at the same time. The members suggested that a representative of the houses liaise with Highways and housing to come up with the best solution.

**Peter Faragher** – Gated Footpath – the clerk read out the email received in connection with the gates erected on PROW050, from the village to the Claddagh. The clerk was asked to reply requesting a postal address to enable a formal letter to be sent.

**Date for next meeting - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7pm.**

## **Any Other Business**

Alexandria in hedgerow to be cut before end March. The clerk advised that she had sought advice from Mr Livesey regarding the Alexandria. To minimise the spread from seeds, it would require cutting once over the next two years. Best time to cut would be between the late March to mid April. The clerk was asked to speak with our hedge cutting contractor about the various roads, which include Ballacaley Road, Sulby Glen Road, Claddagh Road, Bride Road? Other roads identified with this plant could be added to the list.

Mr Radcliffe advised the members regarding the winner of the Christmas Light competition. He had chosen Suncot on the Andreas Road. A further property 23 Ballabrooie was also highly commended. The clerk is to write to both residents passing on the shield to the owners of Suncot.

Mr Radcliffe had asked the clerk to purchase a card to send to Hector Duff in recognition of his award in the New Years Honours List. He had been awarded an OBE. The members signed the card and the clerk agreed to write appropriate wording above.

Climate Emergency Consultative Transformation Team – advising that the IOM Government Action Plan for achieving Net Zero Emissions by 2050 phase one had been published today. The email received had been forwarded to the members.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.00pm.

Signed.....Chairman      Date.....