

The minutes of Lezayre Parish Commissioners Meeting held on Thursday 3rd June 2021, at 7.00pm, The Community Hall, Clenagh Road, Sulby, Lezayre.

Members present: Mr A D Radcliffe (Chairman), Mrs V A Quane (Vice Chairman), Mr J Teare, Mr K Brew and Mrs V Radcliffe. Mrs M Rimmer the Clerk took the minutes. There were no members of the public and no members of the press in attendance. The clerk and Chairman from Michael District Commissioners (MDC) attended the meeting to highlight to the members their concerns regarding the introduction/expansion of the mini bus dial a ride service possibly affecting the regular bus services in the area. They had both attended a public meeting called by Patrick Commissioners where similar concerns were raised for changes to services in that area too. The dial a ride service should not be allowed to replace the regular bus service as the dial a ride cannot accommodate the elderly users and also wheelchairs. Comments were made regarding the problems in education where mini buses are required for school trips. Since the changes (school minibuses taken by DOI) it is difficult to book minibuses for this purpose. MDC were seeking our support and also that of the other Northern Authorities. Lezayre agreed to support MDC and also agreed that if a public meeting was called it could be held in our hall. The members agreed that Bus Vannin should provide a more efficient bus service. No minibuses. The clerk for MDC is to forward to Mrs Rimmer a copy of the various acts which show that Bus Vannin are operating outside the rules. MDC left the meeting at 7.15pm.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 6th May 2021, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed as a correct record.

Matters arising from the May 2021 minutes

Use of Hall during Covid 19 Mitigation stage – The clerk advised that she could not find any information in relation to Covid 19 and the use of our facilities on the website. The information just seems to take you round in circles. The clerk suggested that we update our booking form asking for users to keep a list of attendees in case needed for contact tracing, use of hand gel on arrival, increase ventilation while using the hall, advise Commissioners in the event any attendees contract Covid. The members agreed with this action. Bookings forms to be updated.

Registered Buildings – The department had provided a small booklet which advised the criteria of buildings to be suggested for inclusion on the registered buildings listings. Mrs Quane took the copy. To be passed onto Mr Radcliffe.

Residential Design Guide – any comments – no concerns

The clerk read a draft letter prepared to be sent to Superintendent Maddocks, which the members approved in connection with Isle of Man Constabulary local policing plans.

Working with Sulby School – the clerk advised that Mr Jackson is to develop idea further where the Commissioners can work with the school.

Mr Radcliffe asked to be reminded to provide contact details regarding the Sulby Giant idea put forward at the last meeting.

Future Management of Sulby Claddagh. The clerk read out the reply received from DEFA in answer to our query. The clerk was asked to seek further clarity around the legalities of the site being operated in the method advertised.

Correspondence

Isle of Man Government

Office of the clerk of Tynwald – Allocation of two tickets for Tynwald Day Monday 5th July 2021 - No one available to attend.

Tynwald Garden Party - 4th July 2.30pm Government House – Mr Teare +1. The clerk handed Mr Teare the tickets provided. Mr Teare asked the clerk to advise he would be attending on his own.

Department for Enterprise

Tourism – Community Hall now rated as 1 Star Hostel – New sign to be erected.

Department of Environment Food and Agriculture Planning

Building Control Fees increase – effective from 1st June 21. The clerk was asked to find prices and to advise the basic increase.

Department of Infrastructure

Local Government Unit –

Local Government Amendment Bill 2021 update 1st and 2nd reading 11.05.21 and 25.05.21. The clerk advised receipt of a copy letter sent by Peel Town Commissioners regarding this bill. Lack of engagement, Changes to scrutiny and the speed in which the bill is being processed. The clerk is to circulate a copy of the letter to the members for their information and any comments.

Local Elections 2021 – Training 01.06.21 – for new clerks only.

Draft Timetable received – Election will be held on Thursday 22nd July 21 if required. Advertised by Government Tuesday 15th June 21, with the closing date for nomination papers to be returned Tuesday 29th June 21.

Copy of advert to appear in the local newspaper on the 15th June 2021

Highways - Road Closure –

Sulby Straight 7th to 11th June between 9.15am and 3pm each day for tree work. Notice placed on Notice boards

Kella Road 22nd June to 2nd July 2021 between 6am and 6pm each day – Tarmac Overlay. The clerk was asked to request more details around this closure. Daily time frame for work, advance warning at roadside and confirmation that a letter will be sent to all residents affected.

Peel Town Commissioners – Copy of letter sent to Local Government Unit re Local Government Amendment Bill 2021 – Please see above under Local Government Unit.

Road Transport Licensing Committee

ADN 524 27.05.21 No Lezayre Issues

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Liberal Vannin Party – feedback from public meeting held by Paul Weatherall to discuss the Area Plan for the North and West. Media release. The members requested a copy of this press release.

Sulby School – Invite to Junior play “Oliver” Mrs Quane advised she had attended the play which was very good.

Event Management Solutions Limited – Advising Festival at Milntown – Milntown and Fynoderee Distillery 7th August 2021 from mid day to midnight – looking for support for the event.

The members agreed to support this event and for the organiser to contact the NPRCB for bins. Clerk to advise.

Silly Moos Campsite – issue of Exemption camping license – The clerk advised she had renewed the license for the campsite after seeking permission from the Chairman only, as it was required urgently.

Dandara – update re application for Milntown Fields – new plans are to be submitted which show the removal of 8 properties, so that no properties are within the identified high risk flood area following further consultation with DOI flood management division.

Microgaming Isle of Man Marathon – taking place Sunday 8th August starting at 8.30 – following usual route.

Individuals/Member of the Public

Narradale Road – Copy email sent to MUA re ditching. For information only.

Motor Homes on Estates – feedback from DOI and information for Police website. The clerk had received an enquiry regarding the parking of motorhomes. Feedback advised that so long as the motorhome was under 3050kg then it could park anywhere that a car can. Enquirer advised.

Sulby Claddagh – copy of email send to DEFA re use of the Claddagh. For information only.

Dhoor resident – parking issues – the clerk advised the members of the content of the email. The members asked the clerk to respond advising that they were not able to help.

Show field – Glen Auldyn put forward for North Area Plan – comment from member of the public

Sulby Old School – owner brought plans to show commissioners his ideas for the site. The members advised that they will look at the plans once they are submitted officially.

St Stephens resident – parked vehicle on turning circle? The clerk was asked to advise checking for any covenants, check with the police or the DOI for further advice.

Date for next meeting Could this be delayed until 8th July, as the clerk has her covid job booked for the 1st July and may not be feeling ok. The members agreed.

Any other business

Isle of Man Bank – charges – the clerk advised the members that although we have been advised by the IOM bank that this account would not attract any charges, there would still be an annual charge of £42 for an audit letter. The members agreed that the account could be closed as it is not longer required.

Manx Telecom – village phone box The members agreed to adopt this phone box for village use.

Lezayre War Memorial – as instructed the clerk had visited the War Memorial and taken several photographs to show its current condition. The wall surrounding the memorial at the back has broken apart and is falling backwards. The wall to the roadside seems ok, but some pointing work may be required. The clerk was asked to seek some advice/quotes from a stonemason to fix the walls and to perhaps create a safe access to the small noticeboard at the site. The clerk was also asked to establish who owns the wall.

Municipal Association – annual fee The members discussed again remaining with the Municipal Association and also the amount to pay for the annual fee which had been set at £300. Mrs Quane

advised that the other authorities were also not happy with the increase. The clerk looked for what was agreed at the previous meeting, but could not find her papers at the time. Mrs Quane offered to pay the balance of £30, so as to keep the fee payable by the Commissioners at £270. All agreed. (if you want me to re word this a bit differently, please let me know.)

Manx Development Association – The clerk had written to Peter Greenhill regarding this matter. He had responded advising we should contact Mr Shimmins MHK or Mr Hooper MHK for more information. The clerk was asked to contact the MHK's asking for more information.

Community Hall use of outside space – feedback from our insurers – The clerk advised to the members regarding the use of the outside space by members of the public using our hall facility. We should undertake our own risk assessments for this use and use of our hall. A further comment from the insurers regarding bouncy castles, prompted the Commissioners to ask that when a bouncy castle is brought to the hall that there is insurance cover included by the provider of the bouncy castle and for a copy of the insurance be sent to the Commissioners for their file. The clerk was asked to check regarding allowing bouncy castles in the hall and to also undertake a risk assessment for potential use of the outside space, and then seek the cost of any additional cover from our insurers.

Refund as hirer has changed mind to use our hall. The members agreed to refund the money paid for hall hire which included use of the outside space. As the use of the outside space is not yet sorted the hirer asked for a refund.

Purchase of new bins for recycling - The clerk asked the members is she could purchase some new indoor recycling bins for the hall as they were looking very tatty. The members agreed.

Assistance with computer – the clerk explained to the members that following Manx Telecom upgrading/changing their email provider she had been unable to log into Manx.net to download emails. On the second day of struggling and a 16 minute wait on the telephone for assistance the clerk advised she was directed to a page where instructions were available to change various settings etc. This was printed out, but due to lack of technical knowledge the clerk struggled to make the necessary changes. Eventually with the help of the clerk's husband the issue was resolved. The clerk asked the members if she could have a point of contact so that in the future any computer issues could be dealt with quickly. The members suggest Alan Radcliffe and provided a phone number to make contact.

Armed Forces Day Saturday 26th June 2021 – poster received and in notice board.

The members asked if any contact had been received from the Refuse Board Clerk in relation to the clerk's ongoing financial queries. The clerk advised that no contact had been received. The members agreed that the clerk should write to the Chairman of the Refuse Board advising that we are disturbed by the lack of response.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

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