

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**  
**ORDINARY BOARD MEETING**  
**13<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018**  
**AGENDA – OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

Item Number	Item	Action Required
<b>1.</b>	<b>OPENING OF THE MEETING</b>	
1.1	Welcome, Apologies & Declarations	As required by Board members
<b>2.</b>	<b>MINUTES</b>	
2.1	Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 23rd May 2018	To be approved
<b>3.</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>	
3.1	Matters arising from previous meeting	Acting Clerk to provide updates
3.2	Beach cleaning	To be approved
<b>4.</b>	<b>MOTIONS</b>	
	None submitted	N/A
<b>5.</b>	<b>FINANCE</b>	
5.1	Invoices for payment early June 2018	To be approved
5.2	Events Committee	To be approved
<b>6.</b>	<b>PROJECTS</b>	

6.1	Mariners Shelter	Board discussion to be had
6.2	Manxonia House	No Action Required
6.3	Remembrance Garden	moved into Private as quotes contained in document
6.4	Skate Park	Board discussion to be had
6.5	Gellings Avenue Toilets	moved into Private as quotes contained in document
6.6	Village Traffic Consultation report	Board discussion to be had
6.7	Beach Road Traffic Consultation report	Board discussion to be had
<b>7.</b>	<b>PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE</b>	
7.1	Email from Lt Governor	For noting
7.2	Email from Mrs [REDACTED]	For noting
7.3	Email from Golf Pavilion	To be approved
7.4	Email regarding Manx English Dialect Study	Participation welcomed
<b>8.</b>	<b>PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS</b>	
8.1	Proposed changes to IOM Government Retirement Policy	Board can respond individually

<b>9.</b>	<b>PLANNING MATTERS</b>	
9.1	Planning Applications: PA17/00875/B PA18/00503/B PA18/00534/B	Board response required
9.2	Planning Approvals: PA17/00190/B PA18/00399/B PA17/00976/B	For noting
9.3	Planning Refusals: PA17/01277/B	For noting
9.4	Planning Amendments: None	N/A
<b>10.</b>	<b>POLICY &amp; RESOURCES</b>	
10.1	PSM Strategy Document - deferred from last meeting	Board discussion to be had
10.2	Draft Letter to Highways for approval	To be approved
10.3	2018 /19 Meeting Dates	For noting
<b>11.</b>	<b>INVITATIONS</b>	
11.1	Invitation to the Unveiling of the 5 <sup>th</sup> Manx Bard on Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 2018 at 3 pm at Moorhouse Farm, Mount Gawne Road, Colby	Board members to confirm attendance
<b>12.</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE (BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR)</b>	

Item 3.1

## **PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**

### **MATTERS ARISING & PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

This report covers matter arising & public correspondence from the previous meeting which are not on the current agenda;

#### **Matters Arising**

All matters arising requiring action are on the current agenda.

#### **Public Correspondence**

Correspondence from a ratepayer regarding the rates increase – Copy of rates statement and covering letter advising happy to answer any further queries issued.

Correspondence from ratepayer regarding reduction in Board members – Ratepayer is currently on holiday and will contact the office to arrange a meeting with Mr Phair upon his return.

Correspondence from Manx Radio's Local Democracy Reporter – to be discussed under meeting dates on the current agenda.

Deferred Business Association correspondence regarding a public meeting – Dates issued.

Street traders licence request – Letter issued to affecting traders to request feedback, response awaited.

Item 3.2

## **PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**

### **BEACH CLEANING**

Several local farmers have been approached in relation to clearing the beach of seaweed, the below is the only positive response currently received. The price includes disposal of the seaweed also.

Permission is sought from the Board to enable the beach to be cleaned on an as and when required basis. It is noted that no budget has been set for beach cleaning for this year, however an attempt is being made to encourage the use of the village's amenities.

Long term options are currently being explored, including the possibility of purchasing a beach cleaner jointly with another Local Authority.

**From:** [enquiries@ballakarran.com](mailto:enquiries@ballakarran.com)

**Date:** 23 May 2018 at 13:38:16 GMT+1

**To:** [workshop@portsymary.gov.im](mailto:workshop@portsymary.gov.im)

**Subject:** Rack removal

Good afternoon Tom

Apologies for delayed reply to your request, please find below our hourly rate for the services of two tractors and trailers one fitted with fore end loader and tined grab (same equipment as used previously) for the removal of rack from chapel beach in port st Mary.

Tractor driver and dump trailer £35/hr

Tractor loader c/w grab driver and dump trailer £40/hr

Total £75/hr (£300/half day) plus vat

We are happy to work either early and or late to suit tide times to try and limit any disturbance to beach users.

Once again please accept my apologies for the slow reply, if you would like any further details or have any questions please call me on [REDACTED]

Kindest regards

[REDACTED]

Item 5.1

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**  
**INVOICES TO BE PAID IN JUNE 2018 (1ST MEETING)**

Housing Expenses										
Inv #	Date	Inv Number	Supplier	Description	House	Category	NL Code	Total Net	VAT	Total Cost
186	01/04/2018	A0050671	IOM Government - Treasury	Rates	BB	Housing Rates	6105	£13,956.84	£0.00	£13,956.84
187	01/04/2018	A0050673	IOM Government - Treasury	Rates	FR	Housing Rates	6105	£5,059.17	£0.00	£5,059.17
188	01/04/2018	A0050674	IOM Government - Treasury	Rates	LA	Housing Rates	6105	£9,095.85	£0.00	£9,095.85
189	01/04/2018	A0050675	IOM Government - Treasury	Rates	TP	Housing Rates	6105	£7,395.92	£0.00	£7,395.92
190	01/04/2018	A0050676	IOM Government - Treasury	Rates	PR	Housing Rates	6105	£11,800.73	£0.00	£11,800.73
191	01/04/2018	A0050677	IOM Government - Treasury	Rates	SMA	Housing Rates	6105	£17,714.50	£0.00	£17,714.50
192	01/04/2018	A0050678	IOM Government - Treasury	Rates	SA	Housing Rates	6105	£20,756.40	£0.00	£20,756.40
186-192	01/04/2018	A/c 156370	IOM Government - Treasury	Rates	TOTAL	Housing Rates	6105	£85,779.41	£0.00	£85,779.41
193	08/05/2018	1929953	J. Qualtrough	Sealant		Repairs	6100	£11.61	£2.32	£13.93
194	28/05/2018	1944620	J. Qualtrough	Handrails		Repairs	6100	£116.00	£23.20	£139.20
195	17/05/2018	U1173991	Manx Utilities	Electricity - void	15SMA	Repairs	6100	£8.09	£0.40	£8.49
196	22/05/2018	660/20392	MC Locksmiths	Window replacement fitting	6SMA	Repairs	6100	£206.05	£41.21	£247.27
197	22/05/2018	660/20393	MC Locksmiths	Window fittings	15SMA	Repairs	6100	£253.46	£50.69	£304.15
198	22/05/2018	660/20394	MC Locksmiths	Window fittings	4SMA	Repairs	6100	£86.02	£17.20	£103.22
199	21/05/2018	3417	Raven Electrical Services	Socket replacement	3TP	Repairs	6100	£27.76	£5.55	£33.31
200	30/05/2018	1073	Signrite IOM	No ball games signs	TP	Repairs	6100	£40.00	£8.00	£48.00
201	02/05/2018	878872507	Trade UK - B&Q	Bath sealant		Repairs	6100	£7.08	£1.42	£8.50
<b>Sub Totals - Housing</b>								<b>£86,535.49</b>	<b>£149.99</b>	<b>£86,685.48</b>

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Rate Born Expenses									
Inv.#	Date	Inv Number	Supplier	Description	Category	NL Code	Total Net	VAT	Total Cost
202	23/05/2018	1081	Amberol	Hanging basket parts	Planters	5261	£63.00	£12.60	£75.60
203	01/06/2018	AWDE38	Ask websites design	Website support 3 months	Computer expenses	5140	£75.00	£0.00	£75.00
204	31/05/2018	160705	BHX Stationery	Stationery	Printing & Stationery	5050	£12.64	£2.53	£15.17
205	16/04/2018	19817	Callin Wild	Professional fees to 12th April 18	Legal & Prof Fees	5040	£3,608.00	£721.60	£4,329.60
206	26/05/2018	G18C26.05.18	Calvert Newsagents	Postage and papers	Office Expenses	5170	£48.68	£0.00	£48.68
207	29/05/2018	G18C1676	Colias	Gloves/bin bags	Stores	6020	£113.59	£22.71	£136.30
208	16/05/2018	931	Highway Express	Delivery of store cupboard	Stores	6020	£65.00	£13.00	£78.00
209	31/05/2018	147841	JDW Engineering	Empty Lower Promenade's public conv.	Public Conveniences	5400	£100.00	£20.00	£120.00
210	08/05/2018	1939953	J. Qualtrough	Planter parts	Baskets & Planters	5261	£33.64	£6.73	£40.37
211	14/05/2018	19411445	J. Qualtrough	Bases for benches cement	Outdoor Seating	5810	£6.56	£1.31	£7.87
212	04/06/2018	1008910	Kella Catering	Mona's Queen reception	Civic Events	5082	£595.00	£0.00	£595.00
213	01/06/2018	10730	Kestrel Insurance	Directors and Officers renewal 19.05.18	Insurance costs	5070	£4,950.00	£0.00	£4,950.00
214	16/05/2018	960743705	Manx Gas	Town Hall gas	Computer Expenses	5150	£956.63	£47.83	£1,004.46
215	01/04/2018	10993111	Manx Telecom	Quarterly rental	Telephone expenses	5160	£25.50	£5.10	£30.60
216	21/05/2018	SP14401228	Manx Utilities	Barna Beg street lighting repair	Street Lighting	5900	£605.93	£121.19	£727.12
217	30/05/2018	SP14401315	Manx Utilities	Queens Road street lighting repair	Street Lighting	5900	£33.75	£6.75	£40.50
218	29/05/2018	U1177819	Manx Utilities	Gellings Avenue public toilets water supply	Public Conveniences	5400	£29.82	£0.00	£29.82
219	29/05/2018	U1177818	Manx Utilities	The Quay public toilets water supply	Public Conveniences	5400	£187.44	£0.00	£187.44
220	01/06/2018	8507	Orb Limited	Payroll admin May 18 PSMC	Office Expenses	5170	£60.50	£12.10	£72.60
221	01/06/2018	8530	Orb Limited	Payroll admin May 18 SCASB	Office Expenses	5170	£20.00	£4.00	£24.00
222	25/05/2018	51003	Quine & Cubbon	Mona's queen order of service	Civic Events	5082	£258.00	£0.00	£258.00
223	23/05/2018	1083	JR Riley	Mower repair part	Garden Machinery	5267	£14.67	£2.93	£17.60
224	23/05/2018	11	Royal British Legion	Poppy Wreaths	Civic Events	5082	£148.00	£0.00	£148.00
225	25/05/2018	33172	Search & Select	Finance officer w/e 18.05.18	Accy & Prof Fees	5030	£1,147.00	£229.40	£1,376.40
226	01/06/2018	33216	Search & Select	finance officer w/e 25.05.18	Accy & Prof Fees	5030	£1,147.00	£229.40	£1,376.40
227	30/05/2018	30116	Signrite IOM	Tennis Court Signs	Tennis Courts	5605	£25.00	£5.00	£30.00
228	30/05/2018	30120	Signrite IOM	PSM commissioners workshop	Stores	6020	£30.00	£6.00	£36.00
229	30/05/2018	30123	Signrite IOM	Don't Feed Seagulls Sign	Signage	5880	£40.00	£8.00	£48.00

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230	31/05/2018	106393	Southern Civic Amenity Site Bd	Street sweeping refuse	Street Sweeping	5500	£88.28	£17.66	£105.94
231	31/05/2018	106453	Southern Civic Amenity Site Bd	Compost	Baskets & Planters	5261	£12.50	£2.50	£15.00
232	30/05/2018	300518	Terry Crook	Sound System for Mona's Queen Event	Civic Events	5082	£400.00	£0.00	£400.00
233	31/05/2018	277820	WDS	Supplies for public conveniences	Public Conveniences	5400	£237.26	£47.44	£284.70
234	04/06/2018	278009	WDS	Town hall cleaning supplies	Town Hall	5150	£23.31	£4.66	£27.97
235	20/05/2018	326701	WI-Manx	Hosting June	Telephone expenses	5160	£266.94	£53.38	£320.32
<b>Sub Totals - Rate Born</b>							<b>£15,428.64</b>	<b>£1,603.82</b>	<b>£17,032.46</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>							<b>£101,964.13</b>	<b>£1,753.81</b>	<b>£103,717.94</b>

<b>Summary Breakdown of Expenditure (excluding VAT)</b>	
Stores, playgrounds, Gdns, WC's, Paths,	£1,686.44
Refuse, Street Lighting	£1,401.00
Civic Events	£4,950.00
Insurance Costs	£7,367.89
Office, Professional and Consultancy Expenses	£23.31
Town Hall Expenses	£85,779.41
Housing rates (+ 2nd April mtg £6,680.20)	£756.08
Housing repairs	£101,964.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>£101,964.13</b>

Housing Rates to be paid before 1st July 2018 for discount to be taken



Item 5.2






**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**

**EVENTS COMMITTEE REQUESTS**

**Remembrance Day**

The Events Committee would like to request £850 from the events budget to fund the Remembrance Day Service in November 2018.

The amount will cover the following;

-  Catering
-  Any donations required
-  Wreaths
-  Printing of invitations
-  Supplies in relation to the 100 year anniversary being held in the Town Hall.

Budget breakdown to date;

Budget allocated	£8,250
Mona's Queen Service	£1,753.10
Beach Day <i>proposed</i>	£1,250
Remembrance Day <i>proposed</i>	£850
Budget remaining	£4,396.90

**Village in Bloom**

The Committee have requested not to run the Village in Bloom this year due to the lack of interest over the last few years.

Dear Hayley

Thank you for taking the time to show me around the alternative sites considered for the proposed skate park in Port St Mary.

Current application PA 17/01165/A is sited at Clifton Road North and has received a number of objections from neighbouring residents primarily due to its close proximity having adverse impact on their residential amenity in terms of visual appearance, noise and disturbance, local highways and the potential loss of green open space.

Minded of these concerns, three alternative sites have been considered as potentials for a skate park. We visited and discussed these three sites last Thursday. The sites were Kallow Point, Gansey Point and a smaller site south of the proposal at Clifton Road and closer to the golf course (see attached image).

I have set out to bullet point the comments from each site:

#### **Clifton Road (closer to the golf course)**

##### **Pro's**

- Located in an area designated as Open Space
- Adjacent to existing children's playground facilities
- Located further from the neighbours properties (limit noise and disturbance)
- Minor ground works required
- Highway Services have offered no objection to the current Approval in Principle scheme
- Adjacent to public footpath with access available from Clifton Road North and Clifton Road

##### **Cons**

- Impact on the PSM golf course competition tee

#### **Kallow Point**

##### **Pro's**

- Located in an area of Open Space
- In proximity to the town centre
- Existing parking available in walking distance
- Set at a lower level than the adjacent dwellings (limit visibility)

##### **Cons**

- In an area designated as an ASSI and proposed Area of Ecological Importance
- Results in a loss of popular dog walking space
- Close to the sea and open to the elements

#### **Gansey Point**

##### **Pro's**

- Located in an area of Open Space
- Located a middling distance between dwellings
- Existing parking exists nearby

##### **Cons**

- Poor highway access
- Near to IRIS (heavy goods vehicles)

- major ground works to build into land required

Following the site visit last week, I endeavoured to speak with a number of other Planning Officers who were collectively of the opinion that the site located closer to the golf course seemed the most appropriate out of the above options. Also, given that there is an existing public footpath already running through the children's play area and directly across the golf course that perhaps the competition tee was not best suited in its current location for safety reasons (although as the chap on the course said it's difficult across any part of the course to avoid a hooked shot especially by those less experienced golfers).

I apologise that I could not get this email to you ahead of your meeting yesterday evening.

If PSM Commissioners are looking to progress an application here, I think it is going to be important to liaise with the golf club. While I think it would be difficult to refuse something solely on safety grounds here (minded of the existing public footpath) it might be helpful to understand what the views from Environmental Health (EH) would be and whether they would have any concerns from a safety point of view.

For example should a skate park be constructed here and later considered unsafe by EH, they may suggest a large safety net is required in order for it to be used (planning may have a concern from a visual point of view) or they may advise that the competition tee be relocated or its use cease altogether.

I have just contacted [REDACTED] from EH and had a verbal conversation regarding the location of the site and the proximity to the golf course. I explained the situation with the existing footpath and the existing children's playground. Minded of the use of the competition tee (Sundays and competitions) he suggested that having some kind of management plan in place to minimise potential safety concerns could be sufficient enough to protect both skate park users and golfers. He suggested that this could be done by a warning flag and safety signs or perhaps one golfer halting use of skate park while the shot is being played. He indicated that the same or similar safety management is likely to already be in place given that the golf course is already surrounded by residential properties and there are existing tennis courts, playgrounds and picnic areas in the vicinity. Just like those who watch golf at professional competitions there is always a potential for balls to go adrift and on occasion fire into the crowd, often these bystanders are watching and aware of their surroundings or will hear the warning call 'fore'.

While I appreciate the above is quite lengthy I hope it is helpful.

Should you have any further questions please do get in touch. The contact details for [REDACTED] at Environmental Health are [lan.Mansell@gov.ie](mailto:lan.Mansell@gov.ie) or 685887.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Planning & Building Control Directorate  
Department of Environment, Food & Agriculture (DEFA)  
Murray House  
Mount Havelock  
Douglas



Item 6.6

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Traffic calming consultation report**

**Overall**

There were 156 responses on the forms, and an additional 5 responses received just by email or via the website. Total responses was 161.

The data is easier to analyse from the forms to get an overview, but many replies included detailed information. This complex data has been reproduced in full to allow Commissioners to read through the comments. Common themes have been identified.

**Q1 Do you support the principle of traffic calming in Port St Mary?**

YES 67% (104 replies)

NO 25% (39 replies)

No answer/Unsure 8% (13 replies)

**Q2 Which roads do you think would benefit from traffic calming?**

Road	Yes	No	Not sure
Beach Road	37%	24%	39%
Station Road	32%	25%	43%
Bay View Road	51%	22%	27%
Park Road	34%	26%	40%
Perwick Road	15%	31%	54%
Queens Road	31%	28%	42%
High Street	39%	26%	35%
Lime Street	18%	31%	51%
Residential side streets	28%	22%	51%

**Q3. Which methods of traffic calming would you support?**

Method	Yes	No	Not sure
Speed humps	18%	46%	43%
Speed cushions	12%	41%	51%
White lines	25%	26%	58%
Speed awareness cameras	60%	23%	38%
Home zones	44%	22%	50%
20 mph limit	85%	17%	28%
Traffic islands	10%	40%	53%
Road narrowing	10%	41%	53%
Road plateaus	9%	37%	58%

#### Q4 Any other comments

Double yellow

Perwick

Promenade

Parking

<p>With regard to your questionnaire about speed limits, I think it would be useful for the public to know how many accidents there have been, around the village involving cars and pedestrians in the last five years and the cause of these, before a decision is made about speed calming measures. In the UK, speed bumps are now being removed because surveys have shown that more attention is paid to the deterrent, than to the public or other road users and are therefore not suitable in residential areas. As cars have increased in size, I personally find that it is impossible to speed through Port St Mary. With the parked cars in the main road, drivers are actually stopping to allow cars to pass and this seems to be a deterrent in itself.</p>
<p>Poles with happy /sad electric poles. We and all our neighbours would like to see the potholes/ road surface fixed - dreadful state especially for cyclists</p>
<p>I have never seen speeding traffic in Port St Mary and do not think any measures are necessary. Parked vehicles form traffic calming in any case.</p>
<p>No other comments. Thank you</p>
<p>I think the idea is a waste of money and from my experience walking around not an issue. Money could be better spent -especially of recycling. Get economy by merging with Port Erin.</p>
<p>Four Roads. Extreme speed as people enter or leave the roundabout. There are lots of children walking to Rushen School and put in danger. Please put up speed cameras and/or traffic calming.</p>
<p>Volume of traffic and vehicles parked acts as a traffic calming. More concerned about inconsiderate and dangerous parking especially on/at the junction on Plantation Road at school closing time. Please enforce safe parking before a tragic accident occurs.</p>
<p>The backs of Park Road &amp; Barna Beg need some sort of speed bumps as cars speed from the top end and if any children run out of the gates they could be seriously injured or killed.</p>
<p>Speed humps on residential &amp; Cronk Road/Lhargan and home zones. Speed awareness on High Street.</p>
<p>Home zones around village green area. A very tall and very long camper van is parked almost continuously on the stretch of road near Mount Tabor Church. It is usually moved up and down the road and is moved away on the odd occasion - for a short time. It is there day and night. Please can it be physically measured to check it if complies with the road parking rules</p>
<p>Be nice to see the police checking peoples speed now and again. Exhaust fumes!</p>
<p>Unless all road users are considerate and are aware of others then the propositions made will be futile and a waste of money.</p>
<p>There are enough pot holes in the roads thru the whole village to act as traffic calming! The state of the roads are a disgrace. With so many cars parked on the roads through the village it's impossible to speed through the place! Why on earth are you considering wasting our money of 'traffic calming' schemes that elsewhere have been tried and caused more trouble and in many cases had to be removed - therefore money wasted.</p>
<p>Who enforces? Beach Road at the Smelt - no visibility on bend at the Old Mill and parked cars force moving vehicles (bound for Castletown/Rushen/Douglas) into oncoming traffic which often</p>

is too fast for a quick stop. Traffic in PSM should be slowed (rumble strips) NB Conditions of road v poor and pot holed - always effective traffic calming!
Plus occasional enforcement as required. Parking on double yellows is endemic. Parking on pavements is also standard practice. Both of these are road safety issues and need enforcement to discourage these behaviours.
PSM has some of the worst roads in the island. Every time a vehicle swerves to avoid a pothole, there is an increased potential for an accident. Repairing the roads would make them safer and reduce fuel consumption. Calming measures which increase fuel consumption are of debateable value. Some of the potholes are so severe tha if a cyclist were to ride over one, there is a probability the cyclist will fall off. Consequently, they are sometimes seen riding down the middle of the road. This is dangerous.
I think all roads in the village should be home zone/20mph limit
The current parking provision are the best traffic calming as there is insufficient width for more than 2 vehicles. The road surfaces are awful.
20 mph for Fistard. Approach to Fistard Village where road narrows at the top of Fistard Road. Traffic calming very welcome, also in middle of village or by entrance to St Mary's Glebe.
My main concern are cars coming down Fistard Road too fast. Very limited views junction onto Queens Road & Barna Beg (especially as children cross here going to the park).
20 is plenty
You do not need any measures except maybe the speed cameras that flash the correct speed limit. The roads are bad enough without you considering putting more obstacles in road. Also you should revisit the parking time limits. I find it ludicrous traffic wardens should be snooping about handing out £60 fines. We are in the IoM not inner city Britain. Abolish these zones.
A roundabout at Ballacreggan corner could make the junction safer by slowing traffic on Station Road. Thus calming traffic entering the village.
There are so many cars and vehicles parked around Port St Mary that speed is not generally a problem. However, the condition of the roads is a very big problem. It would be good to spend money on improving the road surfaces.
Promenade needs traffic calming. Bay Queen work will cause traffic to the Promenade already a fast race road with some drivers also mission time each year.
Drivers have to be fined for not adhering to any restrictions. Speed humps/cushions/road plateaus have proved do not work cause add noise and pollution.
Junction of Fistard Road and Queens Road need zebra crossing on Queens Road and road narrowing.
Speed awareness cameras backed up by speed camera patrols if drivers do not modify their speed in narrow places in road.
Traffic is slow enough already with the existing pinch points!
Four Road and traffic calming. Plantation Road - zebra crossing and school zone?
We live on Athol Street and people - some people- speed terribly past our house. Because it is one way I think people do not expect traffic to come the other way and just 'put their foot down!' Its alarming and unsafe! Also the potholes and uneven road surface throughout the village does not lend itself to safe and stable driving conditions. This should be considered as part of the overall plan for improving safety in Port St Mary.
Four Roads. I own a cottage on Four Roads which I do not live in with my 8 year old daughter as I am too scared of the traffic.



I support the principle of traffic calming in any areas where it is necessary, but I have not seen any evidence that the signage and measures already in place in Port St Mary are not effective. I would not support any more waste of resources or unnecessary measures and signage.
Rectify the pot holes ie resurface. <b>Stop parking too near corners</b> /road junctions. Our suspensions are already suffering.
There may be benefits in having a 20mph zone around the school at time of peak use by children.
Be very careful if using humps/cushions. Many Uk authorities have removed them because of damage to neighbouring buildings and to vehicles suspensions/wheel alignment. They don't deter real speeders anyway. See attached interesting article.
Junction of Park Road and High Street is a recipe for accidents, particularly to pedestrians. Put a stop sign at North end of Park Road and give priority to North travelling traffic on High Street
Another crossing at the bottom of Gellings Avenue for access to the beach, as that would slow traffic down.
Traffic calming already exists either with potholes <b>or parked cars</b> and vehicles. Don't Fistard Road and Clifton Road exist any longer? You are having a joke.
Traffic does not move excessively fast through Port St Mary due to the nature of the roads, <b>on-street parking</b> , road width for instance. It would seem to be a waste of money to install traffic calming measures.
School zone and crossing for school
In general most people are considerate drivers. However, some drivers do drive too fast for the conditions ie schools, shops, driveways onto main roads needing access in/out
Speed is already controlled in the village by the amount of <b>on road parking</b> . I have rarely witnessed excessive speeding, so if there isn't a problem don't try and fix it! The Dol should put more effort into bringing the road surfaces up to standard. That and the amount of inconsiderate parking is the real problem.
We don't oppose it, but we think it is unnecessary. Speed isn't a problem. Damaged road surfaces and potholes are a problem.
<b>Parked cars in dangerous/illegal places</b> make driving down the roads very dangerous and drivers go faster to pass them. Beach Road especially on corners. Z bends in PSM, where Park Road starts.
Plantation Road. I suggest a 20mph limit from the intersection with Station Road to the Howe, continuing as far as people think it will be helpful. Traffic speeds especially along Plantation Road despite the single lane <b>due to parked cars</b> . We have had damage to a phone line, Cooil Farm and damage to parked cars by speeding heavy vehicles.
Pedestrian crossing near paper shop. <b>Limit on road parking</b> especially if visibility is poor on corners. <b>More double yellow lines</b> .
<b>Cars too fast Promenade &amp; rear lane. Large vans also</b>
Sort bad parking
Enforce <b>action on parking</b> on <b>double yellows</b> and pavement parking. Also mobile homes.
In most places you have to drive slowly anyway such as from the junction of Park Road with Bay View Road due to oncoming traffic and parked cars. Queens Road and the road from Fistard are problems regularly see cars speeding down Queen's Road and the Barney Moo.
Stop parking on the <b>double yellow lines on the Prom</b> . Stop parking on the bend of Beach Road. Stop using the back of the Prom as a car park.

<p>I think certain calming measures on Bay View Road would definitely be a good thing, as some vehicles have a tendency to travel far too fast along this road.</p>
<p>20 mph limits. Definitely. Whole area. Speed humps/cushions/narrowing definitely not.</p>
<p>The Promenade. More cars are driving at great speed. Frequently there is congestion with delivery vans, builders, service vans. The traffic will further increase when the hotel at the bottom is developed. I see people coming in cars with their dogs to give them a run- and dogs are not on the lead. Many more young families live/walk with their babies, toddlers and school children also elderly and infirm. The combination of traffic, loose dogs and people create a dangerous, unsafe and worrying environment.</p>
<p>Loads of bad parking on the Prom. Parking on yellow lines. Dangerous sometimes when Prom is busy. Needs 20mph limit. And damned dogs running in roads should be stopped, they should be on leads.</p>
<p>On road parking opposite Gansey pottery is a serious hazard. What about a residents carpark. Also the chicane into the one way system at the top of the High Street is too narrow. At least one parking space outside of the dentists needs removing. One way from Bay Hotel along Crock Road/Lhargan due to the numbers of cars parked on the road/pavements. All those on the Cronk Road who have not converted their front gardens into 1/2 off road parking spaces could be encouraged to do so via interest free loans.</p>
<p>In my view only two indicated have a problem. Queens Road is a race track at its seaward end. Traffic is already controlled on all the others by parked cars making speed virtually impossible. Parking is permitted too close to the bend for safety at the lighthouse buildings and where the one way system turns right at the former Isle of Man Bank. I have drawn the attention of Highway Services to both these in the past.</p>
<p>Due to mission on Promenade and car park access opposite town hall, a 20mph max should be enforced before someone is injured.</p>
<p>This is a waste of time, money and paper. I have never observed speeding in Port St Mary. Use the money to fill in the many pot holes.</p>
<p>And the Promenade should be 20mph limit. And please please please do something about dogs running around not on leads and dog mess.</p>
<p>Use the cash required for more expensive traffic calming for filling in the pot holes an accident waiting to happen for cyclists and motorbikes.</p>
<p>We think there should be a 20 mph speed limit on all of PSM. As residents of Gansey Point some vehicles come down the slip road and around the Iris scheme at high speed 40mph +. Very dangerous. Pot holes are dreadful down here so stones fly. No calming measures will be successful if they are not enforced. Double yellow lines on the Promenade are ignored and sometimes this double parking on both sides of the road is dangerous.</p>
<p>Four Roads. The terrace of houses from the Four Roads roundabout to the station. It would be good to have a speed bump at the beginning of the houses. The speed of traffic at most times is ridiculously higher than is allowed in a built up area. This is not calming in the sense you mean, it all needs calming.</p>
<p>I don't think the problem is speed, its roadside parking. Either reduce this or have more one way routes. High Street is a nightmare, not because of speed, but with all the parked cars. There is not enough room for two-way traffic and nobody is clear on who should give way. The wing mirror was ripped off our car through having to move to close to the wall. Beach Road is similarly dangerous due to parked cars on the sloping section.</p>

<p>And please push for a 60mph all Island speed limit. I hope you like the way I have tried to deal with this opinion poll. (Station Road speed cameras) (Bay View Road 20 mph limit)</p>
<p>The speed of vehicles along the Promenade by the Town Hall and down to the beach. Many drive along here far too fast. Children at Mission time etc are very vulnerable</p>
<p>High Street has enough calming with the potholes. Some areas like Queens Road and the phone and post box do not need yellow lines, but the ones are the top of Queens Road should extend further down from the halt sign.</p>
<p>I don't feel its necessary at all to be honest due to all the cars that are parked from the CoOp right through to the end of the village, meaning you have to stop and drive carefully to let cars through all the time anyway.</p>
<p>Consider a traffic island on Park Road. Use of speed warning light up signs (Beach Road and Station Road). Do research first - don't just ask people - measure the speed! But it isn't a big problem. The village roads area narrow and that keeps the speed down. We do not need any more signage/cameras/Dol planters (Strang) to spoil the character of the village and cost us all money.</p>
<p>Reduce distance between bus stops on Beach Road. Streets where children reside need to be 20 mph limit. Far too many heavy lorries now on Beach Road. Introduce speed and weight limits.</p>
<p>Park Road seems to be used as a race track. Due to the number of children in the village, particularly Park Road a speed limit would help.</p>
<p>On my trips to Port Erin and Nobles Hospital, I notice that the majority of drivers ignore speed limits! The speed awareness camera in Ballasalla shows more excess speed that not! I can't think what to suggest. It was a sad day for the Port when we lost our Police Station and village Bobby!</p>
<p>Parking on bends (Beach Road) should be stopped - double yellows. Parking controller - during daytimes?? No enforcement on double yellows/bus stops evenings.</p>
<p>Not sure about speed cameras but I think the speed sensor indicators as used in Ballasalla would work, particularly on Bay View Road. There appears to be a disregards for the Highway Code with regards to giving way to oncoming traffic when there is a hazard on your side of the carriageway eg parked cars on Bay View Road. If there was more awareness to this rule of the road then this may have the required traffic calming measure there. The problem is that a lot of drivers seem to think they can come tanking through regardless of oncoming vehicles.</p>
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<p>Four Roads is part of Port St Mary and the Road Section between PSM School to the roundabout at Castletown Road (past Station and along Four Roads) is increasingly dangerous for pedestrians due to the speed of many vehicles traveling this stretch of the road.</p>
<p>Commercial vehicles parked overnight and throughout the weekend, quite often by employees of firms, restrict parking for residents - Bay View Road traffic at standstill quite often - mobile homes on public highways, taxis etc etc.</p>
<p>The roads are too narrow to have any of the above methods. Also speeding is not an issue in the Port. Repair the roads before doing anything else.</p>
<p>Stop people parking on double yellows, especially outside the Co-Op near to the junction. Would rather see pot holes fixed than traffic calming, this in itself will make roads safer.</p>
<p>No speed humps</p>
<p>The Promenade and Promenade Back would benefit from traffic calming</p>

<p>There a few cars and vans that always drive too fast in PSM. Just like there are some irresponsible dog owners with dog fouling. Both problems need tackling.</p>
<p>My daughter was run over in Park Road in 2007 and we fought vigorously for a speed reduction - did anything happen NO!! There are too many parked cars in roads that are not wide enough ie the High Street and busses are try to navigate their way on their routes. Nobody or very few people respect or take notice of speed limits these days as I fully witnessed while living in a 20mph zone in Cregneesh. It was a disaster waiting to happen, the speeds people drive. We also have to deal with coaches, who do not know the islands roads (very narrow country lanes) and they do not adhere to the speed limits. So good luck in whatever is decided, but I won't hold my breath as nothing will happen within the next 10 years as there will be meeting after meeting after meeting and no decisions will be made.</p>
<p>It is virtually impossible to reach the speed limit throughout Port St Mary due to the amount of stationary cars and traffic therefore calming is not required. What is required is better road surfaces and more <b>off street parking</b>.</p>
<p>A pedestrian crossing at the top of Happy Valley would improve safety and also calm traffic.</p>
<p>Money would be better spent on surfacing roads/filling pot holes</p>
<p>I don't feel speeding is an issue in Port St Mary. Driving through Port St Mary is an obstacle course with parked cars, vans, buses and lorries trying to get through, road works + signs and cyclists so no need for traffic calming measures.</p>
<p>Where's the problem? We don't need traffic calming measures - the pot holes, the atrocious general condition of the roads and <b>parked cars</b> ensure natural road narrowing! Any slower and the traffic wouldn't move at all.</p>
<p>ATHOL STREET. Most vehicles are OK but a few do drive dangerously fast. AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT DOGS AND THE DOG MESS!</p>
<p>Living on Bay View Road there are many times I have had near misses from cars and particularly aggressive bus and lorry drivers where my safety or that of others has been in real jeopardy. I have spoken to the Commissioners to no avail so welcome this survey. Most responsible towns/villages calm traffic and I feel with the proximity of the school, narrow roads compounded by <b>parked cars</b> reducing the speed to 20mph throughout Port St Mary is the right thing to do and will be much safer for all village users. Lastly I must say the buses are a real nuisance - they thunder through the village at speed with little quarter given to others and worse still so few people even use.</p>
<p>Repair the roads. Be glad there is traffic in PSM</p>
<p>The speed some traffic comes up the High Street and then on to Station Road is ridiculous but I am not sure what can be done to stop it. Apart from speed cameras.</p>
<p>Make at least PSM Comms employees capable of applying enforcement as Castletown Comms have the ability to apply <b>tickets for parking</b>. The application of humps or similar can be a cause of loss of parking, a noise generator and if installed incorrectly will forever be a maintenance issue. Lines are ignored and will need replacement at some time (this would be another maintenance nightmare). <b>DoI can't finish the double yellow lines from the regeneration work</b>, never mind new lines.</p>
<p>There no need for them.</p>
<p>PSM traffic self regulates, good manners prevail. The biggest problem is on-road residential parking. <b>On road parking</b> should be heavily taxed and patrolled. Car tax is not a licence to park for free.</p>
<p>Generally, drivers are well behaved. Those who cannot see buses approaching, and don't leave room for passing astound me. I always hope they learn from experience, but doubt it.</p>

Traffic calming/visible speed limits on the Promenade. Residents permits for parking on the seaward side currently double yellows
The Prom PSM suffers with a few silly fast drivers. But also problems of car drivers parking their cars and letting dogs run off not on leads. Dogs run around the Prom and down to Lower Prom.
The roads are in such bad condition and there are so many vehicles parked on the streets that no additional calming is necessary.
Lines and limited speed signs are ignored. Physical structures work.
Don't spoil the village.
Beach Road is notorious for speeding and needs 20 mph limit all the way to the end of Gansey and fines for spitting out gum on our new pavements in PSM.
Traffic calming required where road narrows after Perwick Road at Fistard. Speed bumps from narrowing to beyond St Mary's Glebe.
30mph is too fast for the tight and narrow streets of Port St Mary
If you change the limit from 30mph to 20mph it has been proved you may not get drivers to do 20mph but it will bring it down to maybe 25mph instead of 35mph. Seafield Ave has approx 16 children aged 12 or under who come from the playground and through the junction at the top of Seafield Avenue. Cars speed to the top to turn. We need a speed hump. We should have had one years ago.
From the junction of Fistard Road/Park Road to the point Queens Road has become a race track from all people taking dogs to Point. Early each Sunday morning golfers to the club and most of the days traffic.
I would have thought it was quite difficult to speed anyway in most places. Put new signs at entry points to the village telling people to watch their speed.
Please start enforcing the double yellows so that emergency vehicles can get down the streets.
The roads are already narrow and with potholes you couldn't speed even if you wanted to (in most cases). Speed awareness cameras for the 'late night racers' might work.
Deliberate flouting of double yellow lines creating the very hazards the lines are there to remove. Park Street, High Street, Bay View Road - particularly large commercial vans.
The main safety issue is the two way traffic including buses and HGV vehicles using the main thoroughfares of Bay View Road and High Street.
Extend the double yellow lines at junctions and up side streets to reduce blind spots. A policeman with camera would help.
Who is going to Police all this?
Because of the bad bend on Four Roads, near to the entrance to the car park, this road needs to be made 20 mph in the residential area. Its extremely dangerous for residents with children to cross this road due to lack of visibility and the speed of the vehicles.
The Promenade. On PSM Promenade over the past ten years there has been an increase in cars that bring dog walkers. The sensible dog walkers are very good. The irresponsible dog owners simply let the dogs run around in the road and on the Promenade. It causes problems for local people and danger to other road users
Local 'white van' activity - they tend to speed! illegal parking at or near the Prom and High Street. Near the Co-Op and other retailers as well as close to road junctions on double yellow lines.
Would strongly recommend 20mph rear of Park Road/Barna Beg as some people forget small children live in most of the houses and would stand no chance if they ran out of a gate!

Enforce double yellow lines and pavement parking, especially at night.
Not necessary and a waste of time and money
Buses and fish factory lorries travel too fast in the village.
Serious consideration should be given to the area between the school and the church to give protection to the children going to and from the beach (when it is cleaned). It is a busy section of the village and heavy vehicles especially lack care or slow down.
There isn't enough for it to cause concern. £££s on fixing potholes would be a better idea.
Speed cameras on Shore Road. 20mph in High Street. Road surfaces in the main Port are dreadful and must contribute to carelessness as drivers are concentrating on avoiding potholes and large cracks which half their attention!
20mph limit round school and residential streets. White line (rumble strips) along Beach Road.
I would have thought it was quite difficult to speed anyway in most places. Put new signs at entry points to the village telling people to watch their speed.
20mph limit marked on road surfaces is more effective than a signpost. Central white lines essential on all PSM roads. I have been requesting this to the transport dept for ages.
Problem on Promenade - people parking on double yellow lines also congestion by Town Hall.
Problem on Station Road by pub - parking restricts road.
Fistard Road. Double yellow lines should be enforced (especially Park Road). This is abused on a regular basis.
The roads in the village are in such a poor state that their repair is more important than any other measures

Item 6.7

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Beach Road Traffic Calming Survey Results**

**Q1 Would you support speed reduction measures being put into place on Beach Road?**

There were 26 responses received.

62% (16) replies supported some measure of traffic calming.

35% (9) did not.

It was noted that 3 of the No answers declared themselves to be residents of Rhenwyllan Close

**Q2 Which measures would you be in favour of?**

Overall

Measure	White lines	Cameras	Warning signage	Improved speed signs	Home zones 20mph limit	Traffic island	Bus shelter for bus stop
Yes %	27	27	50	46	38	15	35
No %	73	73	50	50	58	81	58

If answered Yes to measures needed

Measure	White lines	Cameras	Warning signage	Improved speed signs	Home zones 20mph limit	Traffic island	Bus shelter for bus stop
Yes %	44	44	75	65	59	24	39
No %	56	56	25	29	35	71	50

If answered No to measures needed

Measure	White lines	Cameras	Warning signage	Improved speed signs	Home zones 20mph limit	Traffic island	Bus shelter for bus stop
Yes %	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
No %	100	100	100	89	89	89	67

### Q3: Any further comments?

No way to speed awareness cameras, That open the rest of the island up to them and this is certainly not the worst area for speeding. Improved speed signs might help having a few more 30 signs. Not to a home zone if it includes speed bumps - 20 is excessively slow. Is there enough space for a traffic island?

Not enough space on the field side for the bus stop. Do people really use that stop? Don't think its really necessary - is speed really a problem on this road? The road surface with all the bumps and dips is, in my opinion, a bigger issue and would be time and money better spent.

School children often wait at the bus stop, but it would need to be done so as not to impede wheelchair users and pushchairs on the pavement. There needs to be very clear justification on grounds of road safety before any of these measures are introduced and should only be targeted at areas with a history of speed related collisions (particularly related to personal injury). I have lived in Beach Road for more than 10 years and am not aware of any collisions in that time. Most people use the road sensibly. It is a semi rural road and many parts of the island have already been spoilt by over zealous use of unnecessary signage and street furniture.

Between Norbrid and the Old Mill on Beach Road there are properties with driveways. This provides off road parking for almost all of Beach Road. There is also 4 field gates exiting onto Beach Road, plus a lane leading to a guest house and another large house. A home zone with 20mph speed limit would assist residents exiting and parking off road. Slowing traffic down would also make it safer for pedestrians and cyclists.

As a regular user of this road my main concern is that when travelling toward Douglas there are often times when you have to move out due to parked cars but cannot see if the road is clear. There are 2 short sections where the road bends that require double yellow lines to be extended to prevent this.

We are [REDACTED]. We are quite old, don't walk very well and 80 years old. Could you arrange to get a request bus stop at the bottom of the hill, perhaps by the gates leading to the fields (on Beach Road). 20 is plenty.

Flashing speed signs have not worked

Beach Road, from Ballacreggan Crossroads has 1 tiny 30 mph sign on the whole road. I would not object to much bigger signs and more of them. Even painting speed limit on the tarmac (same as St Marks/Ballasalla) has would be OK. Parking is already a nightmare down the bottom of Beach Road as there are very limited places to park already.

A chicane of parked cars already exists.

Over the years the types and amount of traffic using Beach Road, has risen steadily to a level which at times exceeds the design capacity of what is essentially a country road. This is particularly true of the section between Old Gansey Mill and Narbid. I believe a number of accidents have taken place in the past on this section of Beach Rd. I also believe the vibration from heavy vehicles travelling past [REDACTED] Ivy Cottage is the cause of cracks that have appeared in some of the walls of my 200 year old property in recent years. One can only assume that through traffic using Beach Road will only increase in the future, so I urge the Commissioners to approach the Manx Government and ask them to revisit the old plan to extend the Shore Road past the front of Old Gansey Mill, around the shore line, past the back of Gansey Cottages and to link up with the end of Port St Mary Promenade. This would provide a more direct route for heavy vehicles into Port St Mary and reduce traffic flows along Beach Road.

Yes- if any decisions are made please action within 10 years as nothing is ever done.



In the main traffic is very considerate, and light. Only parked cars on bends in the roads, restricting visual awareness is an issue, particularly motor homes and vans. That is the ONLY cause for concern.

Definitely not a one way system! Some residents seem to be driving into their drives and then reversing out onto the main road which is very dangerous in my opinion. Perhaps this should also be raised as a safety concern for road users and not just pedestrians.

The whole village may as well be a 20mph zone from the school crossroads and Beach Road.

██████████ Shangani (No 2) is right on the slightly narrower corner and I have had my wall damaged a few times. Road narrows and concealed entrance signs would help, as it is very difficult leaving my driveway in the car.

Long overdue in my opinion. We see clear speeding every day. Due to the bends on Beach Road 30 mph is far too fast to negotiate them safely, either as a driver or pedestrian. At one point, the close proximity of a car at 30mph to a pedestrian child is frightening and not safe. I can supply more details of this if needed.

No need for additional and intrusive street signage and furniture on Beach Road. Speed reduction measures already in place given 2 estates and on road parking by Beach Road residents. Please stop wasting ratepayers' money on timewasting and pointless consultation exercises.

Living in Rhenwyllan Close 20 years - never had a single problem. Very few vehicles go at excess speed on Beach Road.

Warning oncoming traffic in middle of road.

Parking on blind corners needs to be stopped/adjusted

I live at the bottom of Beach Road and am not aware of any history of RTAs in the road. The nature of Beach Road imposes its own speed restrictions. It is very rare for me to see drivers speeding. Although I would be supportive of traffic calming measures where there is a clear need of them (normally indicated by a record of incidents) I believe that to introduce them here would be a waste of money

Items 7.1 & 7.2

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**  
**CORRESPONDENCE – MONA'S QUEEN SERVICE**

**From:** [REDACTED]@gov.im>  
**Sent:** 29 May 2018 18:55  
**To:** Darleen Greenwood  
**Subject:** Mona's Queen III Anchor Memorial Service

Good Evening Darlene,

You and your colleagues held a lovely service this afternoon. The setting, the weather, and the sentiments articulated both by Michelle and by Jack Ronan, conspired to create something close to perfect.

Thank you and my warm thanks to Michelle.

And thank you for a good tea afterwards; I enjoyed my scone!

With best wishes,  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 31 May 2018 07:53  
**To:** Margaret Davies  
**Subject:** [REDACTED]

Hello Margaret

I'd like to say to everyone how lovely the Anchor Memorial service was on Tuesday. It was very moving as always and such care had obviously been taken with all of the arrangements. The weather was so beautiful. It's a special place that will have strong memories.

Please pass on our appreciation to everyone involved.

On behalf of our late Dad, [REDACTED] and our Mum, [REDACTED], we would like to express our appreciation with the laying of the wreath.

Our parents Memorial bench is beautifully placed. Thank you to everyone, especially you, Margaret, for all of your arranging.

With kind regards

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and families.

Item 7.3

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS  
PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE**

**From:** Port St Mary [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 25 May 2018 11:55  
**To:** Port St Mary Commissioners  
**Subject:** FAO: Hayley - Signage for PSM Golf Pavilion

Good afternoon Hayley,

We have been looking in to increasing our visibility in the Port and helping to make giving directions easier for people trying to find us.

To that end, we will be contacting Mr [REDACTED] who owns the [REDACTED] to see about reinstating a sign there.

We would also like to replace the signage currently located at the top end of Queen's Road and the sign at the turning on Kallow Point Road down to us, to ensure continuity of the branding etc.

We noticed on the Google Earth view which uses photos taken in 2010 that there was at one point a sign at the seaward end of Queen's Road, directing visitors to the right to find The Pavilion.

If possible, we would like to place some signage here as well to give us (hopefully) a total of 4 signs; the first at [REDACTED], then a smaller one at the head of Queen's Road, one at the seaward end of Queen's Road and finally one on the post on Kallow Point Road to point down to The Pavilion.

If you could please confirm if PSM Commissioners would be happy for us to place the signage as above, I can put together some artwork to send over with dimensions of the proposed signs for approval before we commission production.

Kindest regards,

[REDACTED]

PSM Golf Pavilion

Item 7.4

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS  
PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE**

**From:** [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 05 June 2018 12:17  
**To:** Port St Mary Commissioners  
**Subject:** Manx English Dialect Study

Good Morning,

I am a second year PhD student who is studying the Manx English dialect and Manx identity. I am emailing to see whether any members of the Port St Mary Commissioners would be willing to be involved.

Taking part in the study requires the completion of a questionnaire followed by a short interview (which can take place in a location of the volunteers' choice or at Rowany Golf Club). The interviews can take place in pairs or in small groups.

I am keen for the Manx community to have as much involvement in my project as possible, so any volunteers would be very greatly appreciated. If anybody does wish to take part, they can email me at: [REDACTED] uk for more information.

Best wishes,

[REDACTED]

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[Edge Hill University](#)

Item 8.1

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS**  
**PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON RETIREMENT AGE**

**Note – This is to be completed by Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018.**

Dear all

**Proposed changes to Isle of Man Government Retirement Policy**

In anticipation of the requirement to largely remove compulsory retirement age provisions within Isle of Man Government as a result of the Equality Act 2017, a revised Retirement policy has been developed. It is proposed that, subject to the outcome of this consultation that the revised policy is introduced as soon as is reasonably practicable and well in advance of the legal provision under the Equality Act which will mean that from January 2020, it will be unlawful to apply a compulsory or fixed retirement age to employees, other than in certain circumstances, as this will amount to direct discrimination.

The removal of a compulsory retirement age (with certain exceptions) will bring about a number of benefits. These include a larger pool of talent, retention of skills/expertise, increasing the economically active population and greater levels of wellbeing. It is also in step with the Island's age demographic trends. The early introduction of the policy change will also give time to train managers to avoid discriminatory practices and raise awareness of the benefits of employing a diverse workforce.

The consultation can be found at the following link where you can complete a short survey:

<https://consult.gov.im/cabinet-office/e5b2117c>

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards



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## PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS

### STRATEGY DOCUMENT

May 2018 review and update

**Vision:**

To support ~~the our~~ whole community and ensure Port St Mary is an excellent place to work, live and enjoy.

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**Communications**

Strategy: To be open, clear and honest in our communications, using all available methods to ensure that our community is included and informed.

**Goals:**

- Update minutes on website within 48 hours of ratification
- Biannual newsletter
- Respond to emails within 1 working day
- Clearly publicise deadlines for letters to be received prior to meeting
- Develop a clear communications flowchart for events, meetings and other activities.
- To invite the public to contribute to discussions with the Board at regular meetings.

**Assets**

Strategy: We recognise that our assets are owned and managed by the Commissioners on behalf of the community we represent. We aim to manage our assets in a financially responsible way, using clear and accurate business plans to derive maximum benefits (financial or otherwise) for our community.

**Goals:**

- Manage our assets to obtain maximum revenue, or community benefit
- Create and maintain an asset list – status reported once a month/quarterly
- To develop community assets to improve opportunity within Port St Mary
  - To construct a skate park
  - To develop a performance area in Happy Valley
  - To renovate PSM Shooting club premises
- To renovate and maintain the Mariner's Shelter

**Housing**

Strategy: To provide appropriately designed, affordable housing on a means-tested basis for our community.

**Goals:**

- To maintain an excellent standard of LA owned housing
- To respond to tenants urgent requests within 24 hours

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- To manage our waiting list according to DoI regulations
- To look for opportunities to expand our housing offer
- To inspect all our properties on an annual basis
- To manage a system of programmed maintenance.

#### Environment

Strategy: We aim to manage our activities in Port St Mary so that we minimise any negative impacts on our environment.

#### Goals

- To commission a DED energy efficiency survey of the Town Hall
- To reduce energy bills by 10%
- Support recycling
- Reduce household waste to the SITA plant
- To designate the Triangle as a wildlife area with supporting signage
- To review the Dog Byelaws
- To have the catwalk designated as a shared space
- To reduce unnecessary street signage
- To position and maintain floral displays throughout the village to enhance the streetscape
- To sensitively manage our open spaces and reduce the use of harmful chemicals

#### Finance

Strategy: We recognised that we make financial decisions on behalf of our ratepayers and residents, and we have a duty to spend money carefully and with due diligence.

#### Goals:

- To set a clear budget that will allow the Commissioners to deliver their goals for developing Port St Mary
- To recognise that rates in PSM are higher than elsewhere, and we should look to reducing costs To aim to reduce rate borne expenditure by streamlining our activities through:
  - the use of structured rather than reactive activities with a well planned maintenance system for our assets
  - Increased use of technology (online payments, online bookings)

#### Planning

Strategy: We will provide Informed and justified opinion and local guidance on planning matters

#### Goals:

- To ensure that Commissioners receive appropriate training and support in planning matters.
- To liaise closely with central government regarding planning applications, refusals and appeals
- To fully support appropriate development and recognise the need to balance conserving the character of Port St Mary without compromising its future.

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## Community

Strategy: To play a lead role in organising community events and supporting local community groups.

### Goals:

- Remembrance Day Service
- Monas Queen service
- Christmas Concert
- Library support
- Swimming pool support

## Governance

Strategy: To ensure that Commissioners have access to information, training and support to make informed decisions.

### Goals:

- To build good working relationships with other local authorities.
- To provide representatives to a number of other local boards.
- To ensure members conduct themselves in accordance with the Local Government Act, the Local Government Code of Conduct and our Standing Orders.



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**Port St. Mary Commissioners**

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XX June 2018

Dear Sir

The Board of Port St Mary Commissioners respectfully request a meeting with a senior member of the Highways Division team to discuss current issues within the village, which fall under the jurisdiction of the Department of Infrastructure.

Areas of concern the Board have at present are listed below;  
Road from the promenade to Gansey Point  
Bank below the Remembrance Garden & Primrose Terrace  
Steps from the top promenade to Chapel Beach  
Steps from Primrose Terrace to the Underway  
General condition of roads through the village including pot holes

Several of the above mentioned issues have been brought to your attention by our former Clerk, current Acting Clerk and Foreman. We are aware that some of the issues are being monitored by the Department, however we would welcome an update on the latest results of your monitoring.

We have serious concerns due to movement in the bank under the Remembrance Garden and the road leading to Gansey Point. We would like to see some preventative maintenance put in place before a serious issue, for example a land slide, occurs.

Several visitors to the village over the TT period have already expressed to us how lovely the village is, however how dangerous it is to drive through with the condition of the roads. As a Board, we doing everything we can to ensure the village is well maintained, however the state of the roads does nothing to assist our efforts.

Can you please provide any scheduling information you may have with regards to the resurfacing of roads in the South of the Island? However, more importantly, we would like to work with you in any way possible to ensure the roads do not collapse in the meantime.

The Board have recently run a consultation with the ratepayers to discuss traffic related issues within the village and this has raised a number of points also for discussion.

Our Acting Clerk, Hayley Fargher and the Foreman, Tom Brown can provide you with any information necessary in relation to previous correspondence.

We look forward to hearing from you to set a meeting date with a representative from your Department.

Yours sincerely

Dr Michelle Haywood  
Chair  
Port St Mary Commissioners

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**PORT ST MARY COMMISISONERS**

**MEETING DATES 2018/19**

Below is a list of scheduled meeting dates for the coming financial year along with holiday dates booked for the Acting Clerk.

<b>2018/19 Meeting Dates</b>	
13 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Public Forum from 7pm
27 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	██████████ attending
11 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	
25 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	
8 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	Public Forum from 7pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2018	
12 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	
26 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	
10 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	Public Forum from 7pm
24 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	
14 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	
28 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	
12 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Public Forum from 7pm
9 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	
23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2019	
13 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	Public Forum from 7pm
27 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	
13 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	
27 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	

The Acting Clerk has annual leave booked from 19<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> July 2018.



*You are cordially invited to the  
Unveiling of the 5<sup>th</sup> Manx Bard*

*From 3.00pm, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2018,*



*RSVP The Manx Bard Committee*  
**manxbard@gmail.com or**  
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