

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS  
ORDINARY BOARD MEETING  
25<sup>th</sup> MAY 2016  
MINUTE – OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

**Present:** Mrs B Williams, Chair, Mr R Ashcroft, Mr A Grace, Dr M Haywood, Mr R Hirst, Mr C Kinley, Mr A Merchant, Mr A Phair, , Mr I Skelly, A Hamilton, Clerk.

**Apologies:**

**Declarations:** 7.2.1 I Skelly declared an interest. C Kinley –Legal Aid report. RA for payments item 1.

Prior to the Board Meeting a meeting with the Hon Phil Gawne MHK, accompanied by J Robinson, Director of Dept. of Infrastructure, T Cowin and A Goldsmith of Highways took place.

CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME		The Chairman welcomed the Board and one member of the Public to the meeting and declared it open. The declarations were noted and the relevant members asked not to take any part in discussions where they had declared an interest.	ACTION
OUTSTANDING BOARD BUSINESS	16/112	Response to Point of Order raised by Mr C Kinley at Meeting 11th May: AND Complaint received from Mr Merchant regarding the activities of Mr C Kinley:  <b>AM proposed</b> that the items be dealt with in private. <b>RH seconded</b> . CK requested a public statement be made if the discussion be held in private. A vote was held following a 4:4 tie the Chairman used her casting vote to decide the matter be heard in private ( <b>Voting record: for Public MH/AG/AP/CK. For private BW/RH/AM/RA. IS abstained</b> ).	
MINUTES	16/113	Consideration of the minute of the public meeting of 11th May 2016-these were deferred.	
MATTERS ARISING	16/103	Notification and Ratification of the Voting on the Kitchen Replacement Programme. The Clerk notified that the voting stood at 5:3 in favour and the decision to proceed was ratified. AP requested more information of when the decision was required. The Clerk replied verbally that a decision was now needed.  <b>Electronic Voting Record: In favour RA, AM, CK, MH, BW; Against AP, IS, AG</b>	AH
		IS stated that the circulation of photographs to the Department was incorrect practise. This was questioned as another member had submitted them to the Clerk and asked for them to be investigated.	

	16/101	The board discussed a letter from Mrs Platt. The Clerk was asked to speak in person to the writer.	AH
	16/114	The Clerk reported that he had spoken to MUA about street lighting being on. He was asked to do so again.	AH
FINANCE		A List of Accounts for Payment was tabled. After scrutiny these were approved in line with the Clerk's recommendations. <b>CK/AM</b>	
		<i>The Chair left the room. RA took the Chair pro tem The Chair returned after 2 minutes.</i>	HP
SPECIAL PROJECTS	16/115	The meeting discussed a proposal for a Food and Drink Walk in place of the cancelled Queenie Festival. This would incorporate a treasure hunt, a chilli eating competition and a foraging expedition. There is also a proposal to hold a cricket match on the beach. MH raised the prospect of an alternative structure involving MWT promoting the Queenie Festival. It is noted that this may be hosted in Port Erin	
	16/116	The Annual Inspection Report re Playground in Clifton Road North from Wicksteed was tabled. The meeting approved the carrying out of the work <b>MH/RA with all in favour..</b>	
PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE:	16/104	Waste Charges at the EfW – Letter received from Hon P A Gawne MHK  Letter received from Mr John Quayle, DoI  Copy of Letter from Douglas Borough Corporation to Hon P Gawne	TB
		The meeting agreed to deal with these three items as one. It authorised the Clerk to re quantify the amount due at 79.50/ tonne and pay an invoice based on that. AM/AG	AH/HP
	16/101	Response received from Messrs Corlett Bolton regarding land at the Underway. AM stated that much of the letter supports our stance regarding the top of the beach. He produced further documentation supporting the transactions in the mid 19 <sup>th</sup> century. The meeting was content for AM to continue in his research.	AM
CONSULTATIONS:		1 Review of Developments in Legal Aid – Interim Consultative Report will be tabled.	

Planning and Building Control- Customer Satisfaction Survey.  
This Report was noted.

AH

PLANNING MATTERS:

PA16/0052 6/B Mr & Mrs P Condon for the erection of a rear two storey extension at Harbour House, Queens Road, Port St Mary. No objections were raised.

The meeting also considered the historic approval for Thorncliffe. No objections were raised. AG objected re-erection of an unapproved viewing platform that had previously been dismantled at the request of the planners.

*AG took offence at a comment made by another member in jest. This comment was withdrawn.*

PA15/0032 5/B Planning Correspondence:  
Approval of Application - 1 Perwick Road, Port St Mary Mr and Mrs Headon. The meeting noted the planning approval.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

16/117 Motorcycle Exhibition – The Clerk gave a verbal report. It was suggested that MD speak to Simon Crellin- press officer who lives locally. Chris Kinley- Manx radio and Tim Glover.

Press release –The Board authorised the drafting and release for the following press statements:

- Motorcycle Exhibition
- Damage to Fistard / Golf Course wall (AM mentioned the buckling of the Clifton Rd North road sign.)

IS thanked the DLO team for sorting the drain at Fistard.

16/118 IS mentioned the new house in Cronk Road that should now be liable for rates. HP to inform the Rating authority.

HP

16/119 RA brought up the use of Mixlr app. CK suggested that audio only may be useful. MH suggested webcam would be better.

16/120

AH

MH raised the permitting of dogs on the beach during the summer suggesting that either weekdays or outside school holidays this would be an improvement. IS suggested that we would need to exclude irresponsible owners.

MH suggested that the Underway becomes a shared walkway. IS suggested the lower prom should be open to cyclists. CK suggested that the Catwalk is a Highways issue. MH/IS that we open up the Catwalk

and lower prom to cyclists. The meeting further agreed that MH investigate a way of allowing dogs on the beach for a trial period.

16/121

AH raised the cleaning of the beach and raised the issue of disposal of the collected seaweed. The Board accepted the difficulty of the proposal.

Meeting closed 21 31

BWilliams  
Chairman

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