

**PORT ST MARY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINARY BOARD MEETING
23rd February 2022 at 7.30pm**

MINUTE – PUBLIC SESSION

Present:	Mrs B Williams (Chair), Mr A Grace (Vice Chairman), Mrs R Gelling & Mr N McGregor Edwards
Apologies:	Mr L Vaughan Williams
In Attendance:	Ms H Fargher (Clerk) & Mrs D Greenwood (Taking Minutes)

1.	1.1 The Chair welcomed the Board, declared the meeting open and sought Declarations of Interest, of which there were none.	
2.	2.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 th January 2022 was circulated. In item 6.7, NME requested the word "loan" is added to read "loan or hire". AG/NME proposed the Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 26th January 2022 as amended, be approved and signed as a correct record. All in favour. Carried.	MD
3.	Matters Arising: 3.1 Matters Arising Summary and response to public correspondence by the Clerk from previous meeting were circulated and noted. Regarding the issue of a traders licence to Simply V, HF reported she has asked the business to let her know if they are not going to be open for a prolonged length of time.	
	Motions: None	
5.	Finance: 5.1 Invoices for payment in February 2022 – were circulated. NME questioned invoice 2607, legal fees for housing. HF advised this was in respect of court proceedings for rent arrears. NME also highlighted the invoices for the replacement of central heating boilers and a discussion ensued regarding alternative heat sources. AG/RG proposed the invoice list for February 2022 is approved for payment. All in favour. Carried.	MK
6.	Projects: A Projects Update Report was circulated. 6.1 Boat Park – Update noted 6.2 Town Branding Project – Update noted. RG requested to see the	

	<p>designs.</p> <p>6.3 Rushen Heritage Trust Street Signs – Update noted.</p> <p>6.4 Highways – Update noted. HF highlighted the resurfacing work carried out on Seafield Avenue and asked Highways about the rest of the works required in the Port.</p> <p>6.5 Town Hall Access – HF advised that all contractors were refusing to quote prices to install an external lift as it would not last in the exposed location. To install an internal lift was suggested by the Consultants. NME indicated a zigzag ramp might be another option. RG/AG proposed the Clerk explores all options to replace the external Town Hall lift. All in favour. Carried.</p> <p>6.6 Amenities - Tennis Court Fencing, Play Park Flooring, Splash Park & Beach Huts updates were noted.</p> <p>6.7 IOM Transport – Bus link Info – It was agreed to meet with the Transport Director on 9th March 2022.</p> <p>6.8 Refuse Tender Contract – HF advised six Expressions of Interest had been received. Tender selection would be on the March agenda.</p>	<p>HF</p> <p>HF</p> <p>HF</p>
7.	<p>Housing:</p> <p>7.1 Housing Officers Report – Was discussed and noted. HF advised the plumbing contractor was working on providing information for the installation of Air Source Heat Pumps.</p> <p>7.2 Tenant Arrears Report – Was discussed. DG provided an update on payments made since the report.</p>	
8.	<p>Public Correspondence:</p> <p>8.1 Correspondence 28.1.22 from Port Erin Commissioners regarding funding for the George Herdman Library was circulated. They requested consideration for a donation from the Board or reintroduction of membership fees for non-Port Erin ratepayers. AG proposed to make a £500 contribution, there was no seconder. The Motion fell. NME said he would support making a contribution but wanted more information. He suggested responding by asking how Port Erin Commissioners got to a £20 per head charge and advise the Board are interested in making a contribution. HF was instructed to find out what contributions other local authorities make to their libraries.</p> <p>8.2 Letter 14.2.22 from Leader of Ecumenical Group regarding their participation in Civic Church Services was considered. RG/AG</p>	<p>HF</p> <p>HF</p>

	<p>proposed to include the Parish Priest in Port St Mary Commissioners' events by adding them to the participant's rotation list. All in favour. Carried.</p> <p>8.3 Letter from resident requesting permission to remove a mature cherry tree at Creggan Mooar was considered. HF advised she had undertaken a site visit and could see no evidence to support the need to remove the tree. It was noted PSM Commissioners have maintained the trees and grass verges and it was part of the streetscape. AG/NME proposed to object to the removal of the Cherry Tree. All in favour. Carried.</p> <p>8.4 Letter 20.1.22 from Manx Harriers regarding their Easter Festival of Running was circulated. AG/RG proposed that there were no objections to the event. All in favour. Carried.</p> <p>8.5 A Road Closure Application by Manx Telecom for works on the High Street was circulated and noted.</p>	<p>HF</p> <p>MD</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Planning Matters</p> <p>9.1 Planning Applications:</p> <p>9.1.1 21/01491/B Amended plans. Clubhouse Lime Street Port St. Mary Isle Of Man IM9 5ED. Erection of new timber/steel frame constructed single storey extension to the North East Elevation with terrace over was discussed. A letter from the design company in response to the Board's objections was tabled. The developer's resident consultation process was questioned and the Board agreed their concern regarding the provision of parking for what will be a bigger venue still remained. It was agreed to continue to object to the application and to hold a site visit with the residents in all neighbouring properties. HF offered to meet with the Fish Factory to discuss their wagon access concerns.</p> <p>9.1.2 Update re 21/01482/A Waitara and site north of Waitara, Clifton Road, Port St Mary. Approval in principle to erect 3 detached dwellings with garages on site of former dwelling (now demolished). After discussions with the property owner, it was noted the Board had previously approved access over the land as a right of way. This objection was removed; however the objection regarding concern in relation to the current sewage system remains.</p> <p>9.2 Allotment shed – No update available.</p> <p>9.3 Planning Approvals</p> <p>9.3.1 21/01339/B The Quoins, Fistard, Port St Mary. Alterations and extension to existing garage. Revised plans to show improved onsite</p>	<p>HF</p>

	<p>vehicular parking arrangements. Noted.</p> <p>9.3.2 21/01034/B Geay Varrey, Four Roads, Port St Mary. Erection of a ground floor and first floor extension with associated first floor balcony. Noted.</p> <p>9.3.3 22/00053/B Ballamaria, Bay View Road, Port St Mary. Replace rear timber sash windows with PVC sash windows, and replacement of front and side elevation door with PVC doors. Noted</p>	
10.	<p>Policy & Resources:</p> <p>10.1 1st Supplemental List 2022 – was circulated and noted.</p> <p>10.2 Meeting Dates 2020/21 – were circulated. It was agreed to meet with the Police on 9th March 2022 following meeting with the Department of Transport.</p>	HF
11.	Public Consultations: None	
12.	Invitations: None	
13.	Any Other Business: None	

There being no further business the Public Session of the meeting closed at 8.30pm.