

Public Session

MAROWN PARISH COMMISSIONERS

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of the Marown Parish Commissioners held at
7pm on Wednesday 21 January 2026 in the Methodist Church Hall, Old Church Road, Crosby.**

In Attendance:	Mrs E Cox	Chairman
	Mr T Miles	Vice Chairman
	Mrs A Lynch	
	Mr C Forbes	
	Mrs J B Devereau	Clerk

1. Apologies – Mr John Lovelady

2. Conflicts of Interest

The Chairman read the agreed text. Mr Forbes declared an interest in item 7.1 of the Public Session (Consultation on Isle of Man Homelessness Prevention and Support Act).

3. Visitors – None notified

4. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 December 2025 were discussed and approved.

5. Matters Arising

5.1. The Planning Legislation Changes to take effect from 1 January 2026 were noted.

5.2. The Working with the Legislature training will take place on Friday 27 February 2026.

6. Planning

6.1. Completion Certificates – the following were noted:

6.1.1. 25/07259/REW – Installation of an Air Source Heat Pump – Ballagarey Lodge, Main Road, Glen Vine, IM4 4AZ

6.1.2. 22/07176/DEX – Removal of masonry wall between dining and kitchen and installation of a steel beam – 13 Ballagarey Road, Glen Vine, IM4 4EB

6.2. Planning Committee - None

6.3. Planning Decisions

6.3.1 Approvals – the following was noted:

- 24/00769/B – Erection of agricultural shed – Trollaby Farm, Trollaby Lane, Union Mills, IM4 4AW

6.3.2 Refusals – the following were noted:

- 23/00924/B – Demolition of existing building and the erection of 10 new industrial units for use as either Use Class 2.2 (Light Industry and Research/Development) and/or 2.4 (Storage and Distribution) and including widening of existing access, creation of parking and hardstanding with associated drainage and landscaping – Former Crosby Wholesalers, Main Road, Crosby, IM4 4BN
- 24/91112/B – Erection of three tourist camping pods, star-gazing platform, sauna and associated drainage and car parking – Bridge House, West Baldwin, IM4 5HA

6.4 Planning Enforcement – None notified

6.5 Building Control - None notified

6.6 Planning Conditions - None notified

7. Consultations

7.1. Consultations notified – the following were noted:

- Mooir Vannin Offshore Wind Farm – response by 31 March 2026
- Isle of Man Homelessness Prevention and Support Act – closes 25 February 2026. Mr Forbes sits on the Homes and Communities Board and he explained that the current legislation is not clear. The proposed legislation will define short and long term homelessness, identify the most effective approach to support vulnerable individuals and establish a legal framework for homelessness prevention and assistance. There will still be a duty of care for Government to house people.

7.2. Consultations on Government Website not notified – the following was noted:

- Road Traffic Act 1985 (Amendment) Order 2025 – closes 23 January 2026

8. General Matters and other Correspondence

8.1. Remembrance Services

8.2. Website and Social Media

8.3. Local Government Amendment Bill

- This was due to be discussed in Tynwald yesterday, but on Monday Michelle Haywood was replaced by Tim Crookall as DoI Minister in a cabinet reshuffle. Mr Crookall sent a letter to all Authorities saying he would like to meet with the Commissioners to discuss the Bill. Clerk to send an invite. Mrs Lynch thanked Mrs Cox and the Clerk for their work on the Local Government Amendment Bill.

8.4. Waste Strategy

- The recently published Waste Strategy was discussed briefly, and it was noted that there will be some implications for Local Authorities and the Civic Amenity Sites. It is proposed to discuss this further and raise it with Tim Crookall.

9. Highway Matters – the following were noted:

- 9.1. Braaid Road (100m either side of Ballacotch Lane) – reduced speed limit for Ditching and Culvert Maintenance Works – 19 – 27 February 2026 – Start date now 7 April 2026
- 9.2. Clanna Road – temporary closure for road drainage investigation works on Foxdale Road – 2-4 March 2026 – Start date now 16 April 2026
- 9.3. Peel Road – rolling 40/30mph temporary speed limit for routine maintenance works – 9 February 2026 to 6 March 2026
- 9.4. Foxdale Road (either side of Clanna Road) – temporary speed limit for road drainage investigation works – 2-4 March 2026 – Start date now 16 April 2026
- 9.5. Greeba Avenue – closed for drainage works – 26-30 January 2026
- 9.6. Foxdale Road, Garth Crossroads, Braaid Road, Tosaby Road - closed for Stuggadhoo Road Circuit, IOM Steam Packet Holidays Youth Tour - 3 May 2026

10. Any Other Business

- 10.1. Mr Miles has been informed of a hedge encroaching onto the pavement at Ballagarey – he will forward photos.
- 10.2. Some of the Welcome to Marown signs are looking a little tired and need replacing. Clerk to make enquiries re: costs.
- 10.3. Eleven repairs were made to street lights in the last quarter.
- 10.4. Invitation to Data Protection compliance survey event, Woodbourne House, 8.30am-10.30am on 28 January 2026
- 10.5. The Ecosystem Policy Team, DEFA has issued guidance on the Maintenance of Roadside Hedges, Sod Banks and Verges

11. Date and Time of Next Meeting – Wednesday 18 February 2026 at 7pm in the Methodist Church Hall, Old Church Road, Crosby.

Signed

Date

Chairman

Confidential Session

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1. Apologies – Mr John Lovelady

2. Minutes of Previous meeting

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3. Matters Arising – None

4. Planning

4.1.New Applications

- 25/91119/B – Replacement of existing sun room, installation of new window to south elevation, installation of solar PV panels to roof – The Barn, Tosaby Road, Eairy, IM4 3HP – Applicant Mr James Vickers – it was resolved to make no objection

4.2. Amendments and Additional Information – None notified

4.3.Appeals

- AP25/0048 (PA23/00924/B) – Demolition of existing building and the erection of 10 new industrial units for use as either Use Class 2.2 (Light Industry and Research/Development) and/or 2.4 (Storage and Distribution) and including widening of existing access, creation of parking and hardstanding with associated drainage and landscaping – Former Crosby Wholesalers, Main Road, Crosby, IM4 4BN – it was resolved to make no new comments but to reiterate the Commissioners' previous objections.

5. Meetings:

- 5.1. Peel & Western Housing Committee – next meeting 28 January 2026

5.2. Western Civic Amenity Site Board

5.2.1. An advert will be placed for an additional operative

5.2.2. By the end of April, the site will be open 6.5 days/week and one re-use garage will be open.
The site will remain closed on Wednesday afternoons for site maintenance.

5.3. Western Area Swimming Pool Board – meeting next week

5.4. Western Neighbourhood Policing Team – no meeting

5.5. IOM Municipal Association – no meeting

5.6. Marown Parish Community Care – no meeting

6. **Advocates Searches** – the following were noted:

- BridsonHalsall – Cedar Rise, Main Road, Glen Vine, IM4 4BA
- Ballaclucas Cottage, Top Road, Crosby
- 2 Cherry Tree Drive, Crosby Meadows, Crosby, IM4 2EE
- Corlett Bolton – Close Jairst Beg, Old Church Road, Crosby, IM4 2HA
- Paterson Property Law – Ballaglonney Farm, Main Road, Crosby, IM4 2DJ
- Callin Wild – 3 Glen Vine Park, Glen Vine, IM4 4EY

7. **Financial Matters**

7.1. The Transaction Statement for December 2025 was discussed and approved. It was agreed to increase the cost of searches to £95.

7.2. Manx Family Centre (The Family Library)

The Manx Family Centre is a charity that took over the operation of what used to be called The Family Library. They have re-opened the Centre in Nobles Hall, Douglas. From January, the mobile library will resume service as a fortnightly service: it will be in Marown on a Wednesday – 10am at Ballagarey one week and 10.45 in Crosby the alternate week. The Charity requested a contribution towards operating costs of £500 per parish and the Commissioners agreed to support this service.

8. **Clerk to the Commissioners**

8.1. Gardening Contract – the tenders were discussed and the new contract awarded for a period of three years.

8.2. Email - The Commissioners' new email address has been set up – marowncommissioners@marown.im. The old Manxnet email address has been extended for a month to allow time to notify the relevant bodies.

8.3. Clerks' Forum – this was held on 19 January 2026 where various topics were discussed. It was agreed that this would be a beneficial forum for Clerks to meet, debate topics, share information etc.

8.4. Clerk's salary – this was discussed and agreed. The Commissioners thanked the Clerk for her hard work and positive addition to the team and appreciated her joining in with community events.

9. Any other Business

9.1. A quote for fencing and hedge work has been received and it was agreed to wait until the next meeting to discuss this when Mr Lovelady would be available.

9.2. The issue of Christmas trees in the Parish was discussed. It was agreed that the tree outside the Co-op in Crosby would be decorated by the Commissioners and that they would purchase two living Christmas trees to be planted at Ballagarey and at the Braaid, also to be decorated at Christmas. Clerk to obtain costs.

10. Date and time of next meeting – Wednesday 18 February 2026 at 8pm immediately following the Public Session

Signed

Date

Chairman