

PUBLIC SESSION

Minutes of a Meeting of the Marown Parish Commissioners held in their Board Room on Wednesday October 19th 2022 at 7.00 p.m.

In Attendance:	Mr T Miles	Chairman
	Mrs E Cox	Vice Chairman
	Mr C Forbes	
	Mrs A Lynch	
	Mr I Maule	Clerk

1. **Apologies** – Mr Lovelady
2. **Conflicts of Interest** – The Chairman read the agreed text. Mr Forbes declared an interest in item 22/01528 under 4.1 Confidential Session by virtue of owning an adjacent property.
3. **Visitors** – None.
4. **Previous Minutes** – Minutes of the meeting held on September 21st 2022 were discussed. The Chairman signed the Minutes as a true record.
5. **Matters Arising not on the Agenda** – Mrs Cox raised the possibility of Bus Shelters being installed on Greeba Avenue and Ballagarey Road. These stops are served by School Buses. Following a discussion, it was resolved to submit a request to IoM Transport.
6. **Planning**
 - 6.1. **Completion Certificates** – The following has been received:
 - 18/07572 – Convert Garage to Living Area at Holmlea, Braaid Road, Braaid
 - 6.2. **Planning Committee** – The following have been notified,
 - 6.2.1. September 26th 2022 – Nothing in Marown
 - 6.2.2. October 10th 2022 – Nothing in Marown
 - 6.3. **Planning Decisions**
 - 6.3.1. Approvals – The following to which no objection had been lodged was noted.
 - 22/00957 – Replacement windows; Demolish rear Porch; Replacement Terrace with Ballustrade at Casa Mia, Main Road, Glen Vine
 - 6.3.2. Refusals – The following to which the Board had objected was discussed.
 - 22/00244 – Additional use as tourist Accom at Detached Garage, Ballahutchim House, Ballahutchin Hill, Union Mills
 - 6.4. **Enforcement** – No active matters.
 - 6.5. **Building Control**
 - Demolition at Braaid Farm, Top Road Crosby – Noted.
 - 6.6. **Planning Conditions** – Nothing to record.
7. **Consultations** – None received.
 - 7.1. **Consultations on Government Website not notified.** It was resolved to make no comment.
 - 7.1.1. Planning and Building Control Customer Survey
 - 7.1.2. The Carers Survey
 - 7.1.3. Modernisation of Insolvency Law

8. General Matters and other Correspondence

- 8.1. **Remembrance Services** – The Chairman reported that RBL has a list of wreaths required for the Remembrance Day Service. In view of this and in the absence of updated information on contacts, it was resolved that it would not be necessary to contact all local organisations.
- 8.2. **Increase in Wood Waste Disposal Charges** – Noted that the intended price increase had been withdrawn.
- 8.3. **Warm Spaces Fund** – The Bowling Club is offering limited facilities. MMPF is intending to open the Millennium Hall on Sunday afternoons if sufficient volunteers can be found. Both organisations are aware of the grant funding available. Members are supportive of the initiatives and will help where they can.
- 8.4. **Grass-Cutting Contract** – The Chairman reported that the contactor had died in August. Commissioners had not been informed and no cut was done in September. The Clerk reported that he had engaged Dave Noble Gardening Limited to do a full October cut. Mr Lovelady had been discussing additional work with the contractor which may remain outstanding.
- 8.5. **Disposal of Household Medical Waste** – Discussed.
- 8.6. **Dog and Waste Bin at The Rocky Road** – Request for bins to be provided at this location was discussed. Members felt that this is not a road used by dog-walkers or even walkers generally and that there had been no evidence of a problem. It was resolved to monitor the position and respond accordingly to the enquirer.
- 8.7. **Nomination of Deputy Returning Officer** – Members unanimously nominated the Clerk for appointment by the Returning Officer. The Clerk felt that the Local Election Rules appeared to be difficult and, in some matters, unworkable and that he did not feel able to accept the nomination without further and better information. Following a discussion, it was resolved to respond accordingly.

9. Highway Matters

- 9.1. **Glen Darragh Road** – Temporary closure noted. Work is under way to install the proposed crossing.
- 9.2. **Highway Maintenance Charter** – Revised meeting dates noted.
- 9.3. **Crosby SID Data** – Noted that the median speed in the 30mph zone is close to 40mph.
- 9.4. **Temporary speed Limit** – Garth Road noted.
- 9.5. **Hedges** – It was noted that DoI is dealing with overgrown hedges and encroachment onto the footpath between St John's and Peel. Members felt that similar action should be undertaken in Marown between Ballavitchell Road and Ballaglonney Close; from Woodlea Vilas to the Vicarage; from the Church to Glen vine Road; Ballahutchin Hill. It was resolved to request that this work be done.

10. Community Issues

- 10.1. **Ballagarey Open Spaces Adoption Process** – No progress.
- 10.2. **Website and Social Media** – Nothing of Consequence to report.

11. **Any Other Business** - None

12. **Date and time of next meeting**

Wednesday November 16th 2022 at 7pm in the Hall Caine Pavilion.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the public session at 1950

Signed
Chairman

Date.....

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2. **Previous Minutes** – Minutes of the meeting held on September 21st 2022 were discussed and approved. The Chairman signed the Minutes as a true record.
3. **Matters Arising not on the Agenda** – None
4. **Planning Applications**

4.1. New Applications - The following were considered.

- 22/01044 – Timber Cabin to rear of 11 Ballagarey Crescent, Glen Vine
Mrs Lynch had been contacted by a resident who might be considered an interested party
The Clerk reported that the Application has not been received and that he had submitted two requests for it. It was resolved to write accordingly and seek a deferral to after the next meeting.
- 22/01084 – Sewage Treatment Works at Crosby Pumping Station
The clerk had sought information on the capacity of the works. The response was inadequate. Following a discussion, it was resolved to comment that there is no objection to the works but that further and better information on capacity should be provided.
- 22/01148 – Widen existing entrance at Field 321757; Braaid Road, Braaid
There is no reason given for concreting a distance of 6m from the gate into an open field. Members felt that this created an unwarranted intrusion into the countryside. It was noted also that no reason is given for the gate at all given that access presently is possible close to Braaid Hall. It was resolved to object on these grounds.
- 22/01168 – Stable Block, Hard-standing, new entrance and change of use to Equestrian at Fields 324071 and 321618; Garth Road, Crosby. (Mr Forbes had declared an interest, left the meeting before the item was discussed and re-joined once a decision had been made).
Reference was made to the reasons for refusal of 21/00957 on the same land for a broadly similar proposal. This being so, it was resolved to object citing the reasons for refusal and maintain the points made in response to the earlier matter.
- It was resolved to make no objection to the following
22/01111 – Replacement Conservatories, Replacement and additional windows etc, Decking and Entrance Gates at Reayrt Aalin, Ballavitvhel Road, Crosby
22/01143 – First Floor Extension with Car Port at rear of Suncrest, Main Road, Glen Vine
22/01205 – Retention of Construction Compound at Ballaclucas Farm, Top Road, Crosby
22/01208 – Lawful erection of Tack-room and Feed Store at Ballaclucas, Top Road, Crosby

4.2. Amended Applications and Additional Information – It was resolved to make no further comment on the following:

- 21/00530 – Replacement Kitchen & Sun-room at Carraghyn, Glenlough Circle, Glen Vine

4.3. Appeals - Decisions awaited on the following:

- 21/00662 – Equestrian Stables at Field 321619, Foxdale Road, Garth.
- 21/00796 – New access etc. at Close Jairst Beg, Old Church Road, Crosby.

5. Meetings

5.1 Peel and Western Housing – Meeting on October 17th 2022 attended by the Chairman who reported that Evacuation signage was discussed with an H&S expert being in attendance. Certain other suggestions were made also. There is a fire alarm system which would cause Peel Fire station to respond. It was emphasised that somebody should call 999 as well. More staff training and a practice evacuation will be scheduled. A quote for solar panels is to be sent to Government for approval. GDPR Training is being scheduled and an invitation to other bodies to send representatives has been issued.

5.2 Civic Amenity Site – Meeting on October 18th 2022 attended by Mrs Lynch who reported that a first draft budget for 2023/4 has been prepared. Indications are that there will be an increase to EFW prices and there is no information on energy prices. Initial indications are that contributions will increase the net effect being that total payments will be similar taking into account the debt repayments being made this year.

5.3 Swimming Pool

5.3.1 Meeting on July 25th 2022 - Minutes not received.

5.3.2 Meeting on September 26th 2022 – Minutes not yet received.

5.3.3 Meeting on October 17th 2022 attended by Mrs Cox who reported that difficulty is being experienced recruiting and retaining an accountant. The person appointed recently had left already. During a discussion, it was observed that the Civic Amenity Site had appointed a book-keeper and that the work provided was of a high standard. Members queried why the pool did not adopt a similar approach and why it felt the need to appoint an accountant when a book-keeper may be easier to recruit and retain and the total cost including the use of external accountants to finish off the year end accounts may be lower. Employment terms were discussed. Members agreed that Mrs Cox should be thanked for her efforts at the Pool.

5.4 Western Neighbourhood Policing Team – No meeting has taken place.

5.5 Municipal Association

5.5.1 Meeting on July 28th 2022 – Minutes noted.

5.5.2 Meeting on September 26th 2022 – No attendance.

5.6 Marown Parish Community Care – No meeting has taken place.

6. Advocates Searches – The following were noted:

- Callin Wild – 5 Alexander Road, Glen Vine
- Corlett Bolton – 7 Keeil Pharrick, Glen Vine
- Simcocks – 25 Reayrt ny Chrink, Crosby

7. Financial Matters

7.1. Transaction Statement for September 2022 was discussed and approved.

7.2. Draft Accounts for Year to March 31st 2022 – It was resolved that the draft should be sent for Assurance Review.

7.3. Rates – Third supplemental List noted.

7.4. Aged Debts – The Clerk reported that Treasury is on the point of sending reminders to all defaulters. It was resolved therefore to defer sending letters from this office.

8. **Any Other Business** – A discussion took place on the timing of the December meeting recognising that Standing Orders state that meetings should be at 7pm. The Clerk advised that, if all members are in agreement, the Confidential Session can start before the public session if desired. It was resolved that the December Confidential Session should be set for 6pm on the usual date.

9. **Date and Time of Next Meeting** –
Wednesday November 16th 2022 immediately following the public session.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 2140

Signed:
Chairman

Date: