

Present		Mr Collister, Mr Weir, Mr Kennaugh, Mr Leather, Mr Ronan, Miss Faragher, Mr Ludford-Brooks, Mr Thomas. In attendance Town Clerk. Apologies for absence were received from Ms Quine
Minutes	AB/10.10	Minutes of the Ordinary Board Meeting on 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2010 had been circulated and were signed as a true and correct record.
Business out of same	AB/11.10	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) With reference to AB/227.09, the Clerk advised that so far only one reply had been received regarding sprinkler systems. This had been from Port Erin Commissioners, who noted the comments.</li> <li>2) With reference to AB/230.09, the pothole has still not been repaired and the Clerk will chase this up.</li> <li>3) With reference to AB/232.09, the Clerk advised that the DOT had acknowledged our disappointment over the perceived lack of service relating to a raised kerb stone. Subsequently the DOT have walked around the Town with Mr Collister and the Clerk and have noted other potential danger areas.</li> </ol>
Chairman's Report synopsis (full copy attached to the minutes)	AB/12.10	<p>The new Chairman paid tribute to Mr Collister for his tireless work on behalf of the Town and also expressed his regret that Mr Weir felt unable to take up the Chairmanship.</p> <p>He went on to state that he believed that we were entering a most important and significant year in our history and highlighted the significance of the Southern Area Plan.</p> <p>He also mentioned the Regeneration Project and the need to formulate a new business plan, and gave an outline of his wish to create working partnerships with Government and other bodies.</p> <p>He closed with the promise that he would do his best during his term of office for the benefit of all Castletown residents.</p>
Correspondence		
The Children's Centre	AB/13.10	Letter requesting use of Poulson Park on the 10 <sup>th</sup> June for "out2play" scheme read and agreed.
Southern 100 Motorcycle Racing Ltd	AB/14.10	Request to use the stage in Castletown Square for Prize Presentation on 15 <sup>th</sup> July read and agreed.
McMillan Cancer Support	AB/15.10	Request to park information bus in Square all day on 23 <sup>rd</sup> June read and agreed.
Southern Community Initiative 'Men in Sheds'	AB/16.10	Details of Men in Sheds Community project read and discussed. It was agreed that the Clerk request more information.
Zero Waste Man	AB/17.10	Details of "Choose to Refuse" project read and discussed. It was agreed that the Clerk notify our support for the scheme.
Lezayre Parish Commissioners	AB/18.10	Request to support "Damage to Uplands Initiative" read and discussed. It was agreed that the Clerk should obtain more details of the initiative.
Mrs Ruth Comaish	AB/19.10	<p>This item of correspondence, together with AB/20.10, was brought forward to the Public Agenda from the private agenda by the Chairman who advised that in future, he would look to place more items in the public domain, and look for our views and policies to be as transparent as possible, albeit consistent with the need to respect confidentiality in some cases. Mr Kennaugh later commented that he felt that it was right and good to air matters of public concern.</p> <p>The letter from Mrs Comaish, complaining about the smell of seaweed on Castletown Beach was read and fully discussed, together with a further letter from Mrs Comaish, just received, advising that a high tide had removed the seaweed but that she hoped that any re-occurrence would be cleared by the Commissioners.</p> <p>Whilst the Board sympathised with her comments, it was agreed that we had neither the financial resources nor the available facilities, particularly as the beach is so rocky, and also bearing in mind that this could be a constantly recurring situation, which is usually resolved quickly by nature. Mrs Comaish was advised accordingly.</p>
DOT Highways	AB/20.10	An update on the proposed yellow lines around the Smelt was given by the Clerk, an email having been received advising that the request had been rejected in favour of increased signage.

After a vigorous discussion it was agreed that this was unacceptable, and the Clerk was instructed to write to The Minister (Phil Gawne) stating that the Board were a democratically elected body, who in order to protect the interests and welfare of the ratepayers, had submitted a proposal which had been supported by the DOT and the Police, but had been rejected without adequate explanation. Mr Gawne was therefore invited to the Board Meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> May to clarify the decision.

## Planning Applications

AB/21.10 Consideration and approval given to planning aspects of the following submitted plans.

1	10/00550/B	Mr&Mrs Bareham	7 Mona terrace	Erect replacement garage
2	10/00552/B	Ms S Morton	17 Kissack Road	Erect entrance porch
3	10/00472/B	H.Campbell	14 Kissack Road	Window alterations
4	10/00501/F	Methodist Church	Arbory Street	Demolish rear annex and install fire door

With regard to Planning Application 10/00535/C by Potentilla Ltd for change of use from office to pre school nursery at 1 Parliament Square, the Clerk was instructed to ascertain details of proposed school numbers, traffic proposals etc to present at the next meeting 17<sup>th</sup> May. Latest time for objections is 20<sup>th</sup> May.

## Planning Decisions

AB/22.10 Decisions made by The Planning Committee in respect of the following applications were read and noted.

Mrs T Craine	10/00287/B	54 Mill Street	Replacement door and window	Approved
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## Any other business

## Appearance of the Town

AB/23.10 Mr Collister advised that visitors had complimented him on the appearance of the Town. The Clerk will convey this to the men.

## Thanks and good wishes

AB/24.10 Various Board Members expressed their thanks to the retiring officials and best wishes to the new Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

The Ordinary Board Meeting followed the Statutory Meeting and concluded at 8pm.