

Castletown Town Commissioners

Ordinary Board Meeting Minutes

September 3, 2018

Present: Mr Leather (Chairman), Mr Parnell (Vice Chairman) Messrs. Cubbon, Horton, Ludford-Brooks, McAleer & Miss Quine

Also, in attendance the Town Clerk, Mr Mackenzie

AB/046.18 Chairman's Update

The Chairman welcomed Euan Gawne to the meeting and was delighted to see a member of the media in the Audience and introduced members for Mr Gawne's Benefit.

A minute's silence was held for T Kennaugh past chairman of CTC

AB/047.18 Approval of minutes from Ordinary Board Meeting

Mr Ludford-Brooks proposed that the minutes of the Ordinary Board Meeting dated 6th August be approved as read. This was seconded by Mr Parnell with all in favour. The minutes were duly approved.

AB/048.18 Matters Arising

With regard to the Market Square (**AB/032.18**)- The Clerk confirmed that a meeting had been held with representatives of the Department of Infrastructure. They would continue to liaise until consensus was reached.

Mr Leather accepted that due process must be followed but remained deeply concerned that the efforts to keep parking open at the request of local traders during the market was leading to unacceptable pedestrian and vehicle conflict.

This was echoed by Mr Horton who also wished to see the spaces reverse parking only.

Mr Ludford Brooks proposed that the market square be closed for the next market. This was seconded by Miss Quine and it was agreed that the Clerk liaise with the DOI accordingly.

AB/049.18 Approval of Accounts

The Clerk circulated accounts for payment.

Mr Ludford-Brooks queried the cost of a door lock in relation to a property in Close Rushen.

Miss Quine proposed that the accounts be approved as detailed. This was seconded by Mr Parnell with all in favour. The accounts were duly approved.

AB/050.18 Correspondence

- A letter had been received from DOI Housing Division seeking feedback on the setting of public sector rents. Mr Ludford-Brooks considered the boards position was irrelevant as the DOI will implement what they see fit regardless of feedback from local authorities and were simply going through the motions. Mr Cubbon felt that means testing to ensure eligibility for subsidised housing was the issue that needed addressing as opposed to nominal rent increases.

Miss Quine proposed that the board recommend no increase and was seconded by Mr Leather.

The proposal passed with support from Mr Ludford-Brooks and Mr Cubbon.

Messrs Horton, McAleer and Parnell voting against.

- An invitation was received for members to attend a church service and event in recognition of the Royal Air Forces.

Mr Leather was to attend the event on the 14th and Mr Parnell would attend the church service.

- A letter was received expressing concern with regard the condition of the steps on leading from Chapel Lane to the Quay. Historically Ports had conducted maintenance but now declined responsibility. Members agreed that CTC would accept responsibility.

An invitation was received from G Cregeen MHK who wishes to set up a southern recreation events group.

Mr Leather was uncertain as to where this was heading.

Mr Cubbon was of the opinion that the this had been brought forward as the result of his pressure.

It was agreed that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Town Clerk offer to meet Mr Cregeen when he returns from annual leave.

AB/051.18 Consultations

It was agreed that members would submit their individual views to any consultations deemed relevant via the Consultation Hub. The Clerk informed members of the live consultations.

AB/052.18 Planning Matters & Decisions

A letter was received from J Crookall of Grenaby Estates, requesting that the board consider writing a letter of support in respect of 17/1024/B - Clay Pigeon Shooting albeit outside the Town boundary.

Mr Cubbon felt that it was a fantastic facility and could only be seen as a great tourist facility for the South.

Mr Parnell proposed that the board express support for such and was supported by Mr Ludford Brooks with all in favour.

The Following applications were discussed with no objections being raised.

18/00902/B ALTERATIONS TO PROPERTY INCLUDING REPLACEMENT OF ROOF TILES WITH MARLEY CONCRETE TILES AND RENDERING OF WEST GABLE BARROWCROFT SHORE ROAD CASTLETOWN ISLE OF MAN IM9 1BF

18/00859/B INSTALLATION OF FRENCH DOORS AND GLAZED BALCONY IN PLACE OF EXISTING WINDOW AT THIRD FLOOR LEVEL PEBBLES DOUGLAS STREET CASTLETOWN ISLE OF MAN IM9 1BD

18/00789/B ERECTION OF DEMOUNTABLE TENT STRUCTURE AND ENCLOSING WALL THE OLD MORTUARY FARRANTS WAY CASTLETOWN ISLE OF MAN IM9 1NR

18/00847/B INSTALLATION OF FOUR ROOF LIGHTS 49 ARBORY STREET CASTLETOWN ISLE OF MAN IM9 1LL

AB/053.18 Swimming Pool Representative

Mr Ludford Brooks proposed Miss Quine. This was supported by Mr Horton with all in favour.

AB/054.18 Matters for future discussion

No matters were raised

The meeting closed at 19.42