Castletown Town Commissioners

Ordinary Board Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2019

Present: Mr Leather (Chairman), Mr Parnell (Vice Chairman)

Messrs. Mcaleer, Ludford-Brooks & Miss Quine

Apologies: Mr Cubbon, Mr Horton

Also, in attendance the Town Clerk, Mr Mackenzie

The Meeting was preceded by a public presentation on the Equality Act by Mrs D Kinnish of the Cabinet Office

AB/085.18 Chairman's Update

The Chairman wished members and the assembled public a Happy New Year. He detailed the events that he had attended in the run up to Christmas including an exceptionally busy week commencing the 5th December.

AB/086.18 Approval of minutes from Ordinary Board Meeting

Miss Quine proposed that the minutes of the Ordinary Board Meeting dated 3rd December be approved as read. This was seconded by Mr Ludford-Brooks with all in favour. The minutes were duly approved.

AB/087.18 Matters Arising

No Matters were raised

AB/088.18 Approval of Accounts

The Clerk circulated accounts for payment.

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

AB/089.18 Correspondence

A letter was received from a Mr McGuinness outlining an unfortunate incident he had experienced whilst playing rugby and had come into contact with dog faeces.

A discussion took place with regard the issue of dog fouling in Poulsom Park, and the fact that the town was permitting the exercising of dogs on an area leased for sporting activities. Miss Quine stated that as a dog owner herself, she had seen at

least 7 dogs not under the effective control of the owner that day. She requested that the number of bins in the park be reviewed.

Mr Leather was of the opinion that dogs should be allowed in the park, but must be on a "short" lead, and not an extendable one that allowed animals to be off away from owners whilst they were otherwise distracted.

The Clerk stated that in order for staff to take any action, there must be a specific restriction about the exercising of animals on the sports field. He would take members comments on board and bring back amended bylaws for ratification.

A letter was received from Mr Arnold of the Manx 2 Day Trial requesting support for the use of the Market Square in 2019. Members were fully supportive, with Mr Leather stating that he was delighted that the organisers wished to return to the town.

Two letters were received from Dr Sless and Mr Osman of Ballacabs requesting support for a variation in their licence conditions.

Miss Quine proposed that the this be supported. This was seconded by Mr Ludford-Brooks with all in favour.

AB/090.18 Planning Matters & Decisions

18/00987/B - Field 433129 Land Adjacent To Knock Rushen Scarlett Road Castletown Isle Of Man - Erection of 48 dwellings with associated access, parking, open space and landscaping.

Additional information, this was not considered to materially alter the Boards position

No Objection.

18/01246/C- 88 Malew Street - Additional use of dwelling as self-catering tourist accommodation

No Objection.

18/01276/B, Replacement of existing glazed conservatory roof with tiles Creggans Brookfield Avenue

No Objection.

18/01288/CON - Registered Building Consent for alterations to existing dwelling - part retrospective - RB 62 (in associated with PA 18/01287/GB, and forming amendments to 17/00793CON)

No Objection.

18/01295/B - 13 Pickard Close - Application of render to rear and side elevations

No Objection

18/00952/B - 11 Y Vaarney Yiarg – Alterations (Amended Docs)

No Objection.

18/01326/B - 5 Bayr Grianagh - Replacement of garage door with a window and erection of extension to create additional living accommodation

No Objection.

18/01204/B Department of Infrastructure Bus Stop

FOI request had been deferred pending outcome of the FOI request.

The Clerk was instructed to send an email to planning requesting continued deferment and Miss Quine had requested that the acting director be invited to meet the board.

AB/084.18 Matters for future discussion

 No Matters were raised. Mr Ludford-Brooks wished to place on record his concerns regarding excavations on Back Hope Street that the DOI stated were not authorised by them, yet seemingly connected to the flood scheme.

The meeting closed at 19:25