Castletown Town Commissioners

Ordinary Board Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2019

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

Also, in attendance the Town Clerk, Mr Mackenzie

AB/056.19 Chairman's Welcome

Mr McAleer welcomed members of the public to the meeting.

AB/057.19 Approval of minutes from last meeting

Miss Quine proposed that the minutes of the meeting dated 7th October be approved as read. This was seconded by Mr Horton with all in favour. The minutes were duly approved.

AB/058.19 Matters Arising

MOP had been receptive to the suggestion of locating a defibrillator on the exterior of the old Town Hall, Mr Ludford-Brooks asked if the Clerk could obtain something in writing to this effect.

Mr Cubbon wished to provide some feedback in respect of Poulsom Park, that Silverdale was not fenced in, why was there a requirement for the park to be fenced in.

Having attended the friends of the park meeting he asked them to provide feedback directly. He considered that this generation had lost the knowledge of how to play outdoors. Whilst the public should be listened to, expert advice should be taken on board.

Miss Quine liked the original Isle of Play drawings.

The Clerk expressed concern that no feedback had been provided throughout the process. The Landscape architect could be asked to revisit the design to include more natural play.

Mr Leather felt that the lack or any adverse reaction suggested that the scheme was on the right track.

Mr Cubbon also expressed concerns regarding the view that the speakers garden should have limited attractions to reflect its purpose as a "Killing Zone".

AB/059.19 Approval of Accounts

The Clerk circulated accounts for payment.

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

AB/060.19 Correspondence

An invitation was received with regard a luncheon for the Leonard Cheshire charity on 19th Nov 1-3

An invitation was received for Thursday 21st CRHS awards ceremony

Miss Quine proposed that the Commissioners Increase the historic donation towards the prize to £100.

This was seconded by Mr Parnell with all in favour.

An invitation was received for the annual poppy night Poppy Concert.

Mr Cubbon queried on fund raising re legion hall. JLB stated that progress was slow, however it was being made.

An invitation was received to attend a presentation on bathing water strategy

An email was received from Mr R H Bedford with regard various matters in the town.

Mr McAleer prosed that he drafts a response and members were in agreement.

Mr Leather felt that information was not getting out.

AB/061.19 Lloyds Bank

Mr Leather had been approached by various members of the public

He felt that the online bank would have no customers without bricks and mortar premises and proposed that the Board demand a meeting with the management team from Jersey.

There was no support for Mr Leathers request for a meeting with Lloyds management and the motion therefore failed to carry.

AB/062.19 Planning Matters & Decisions

The Following Planning matters and applications were considered and no objections were raised:

19/00935/B, 22 Queen Street, Alterations, erection of a two storey extension to rear and replacement of existing cement roof slates with natural slate, - Appeal has been lodged

19/00192/B - 23 Scarlett Road, Alterations, erection of a first floor extension and widening of driveway and vehicular access, planning committee overturned the planning officer decision

19/00961/B, School Hill - Erection of 133 dwellings with associated drainage and access

19/01140/B - Sports playing field development comprising of sports pitches, four cricket nets, erection of 3m high perimeter fencing and associated drainage along with temporary road for construction access and compound.

A discussion took place, Members were supportive of the ground source heat technology however there were reservations regarding the overall scheme.

Mr Leather proposed that the board support the proposal, however are concerned that the opportunity to provide access through Close Cairbre in respect of future development land as had been discussed with the Minister for education had been lost. It was also been considered that here may be greater opportunity for additional facilities.

Mr McAleer seconded All in favour

19/01006/B - 9 the Promenade, First floor extension to garage at rear of property.

19/01121/B - DOE - Replacement of an existing bike shelter with a high level canopy

19/01137/A - Southern Community Sports Facility - Approval in principle for the erection of a sports centre comprising 50m swimming pool, 60m running track, sports hall and gym with changing facilities, cafe and five retail units (Class 1) with associated parking addressing siting, design and external appearance

Mr Parnell provided members with a background information. He considered that that the incorrect message had gone out. A public meeting was proposed for 13th November at 7pm

He requested that the matter be deferred until the next meeting

Members were in agreement

AB/063.19 Consultations

The Clerk provided members with details of the current open consultations.

AB/064.19 Matters for future discussion

Mr Ludford-Brooks informed members that it was his intention to bring forward a Notice of Motion with regard the DHA with regard his frustrations with the delays to conveyance of the Fire Station.

Miss Quine Proposed that Standing Orders be suspending orders be suspended and was seconded by Mr Cubbon.

All in favour of discussing tonight with exception of David Parnell.

Write to Minister Malarkey & Chief Minister & Local MHKS's

The Clerk sought clarification that the board were happy for additional info to be provided to the press which they were.

Jamie Horton Queried the provision of plug sockets in the affordable design guide

Mr Ludford-Brooks complained about the state of some gardens

Meeting closed at 20:18