

Castletown Town Commissioners

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Friday 7th Jan 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

Please note that the Ordinary Board Meeting will be held in the Town Hall Board Room on

Monday 10th January at 7pm

Members are requested to attend at 6pm for a meeting with MNH.

Yours faithfully

Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. Chairman's Welcome
2. Minutes of Ordinary Board Meetings Dec 2021
3. Business out of same
4. Accounts
5. Notices of Motion
6. Correspondence
 - 6.1 Invitations and Events**
 - 6.2 General Correspondence**
7. Planning applications
8. Planning matters / decisions
9. Consultations
10. Matters for future discussion



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Castletown Town Commissioners

Ordinary Board Minutes

6th December 2021

Present: Mr Horton (Chairman), Mr Ludford-Brooks (Vice Chairman) Mrs Cannan, Miss Quinney & Messrs. Cubbon & Leather

Also in attendance the Town Clerk

OB/037.21 Chairman's Welcome

Mr Horton opened the meeting, thanked all for attending. The Christmas switch on went ahead after a number of hiccups and hurdles and he felt that it had ultimately gone down very well. Thanks to all the staff for their assistance along with MNH and 3FM

OB/038.21 Minutes

Mr Cubbon proposed that the minutes be accepted as read and was seconded by Miss Cannan.

OB/039.21 Business from same

No matters were raised.

Mr Ludford-Brooks wished to place on record that he had received positive feedback in respect of the Switch on. He had attended the remembrance ceremony in St Johns and hoped that in future years the Town could arrange for a second wreath. He had also attended the CRHS prize giving which has been an enjoyable evening.

OB/040.21 Accounts

Mr Cubbon proposed that the accounts be accepted and was seconded by Miss Cannan.

OB/041.21 Notices of Motion

Motions were brought forward by Mr Cubbon, Mr Leather and Mr Ludford Brooks.

Owing to the similarity in the motions, a discussion took place amongst members. The Chairman stated that he felt that Mr Cubbons motion conflicted with Mr Ludford Brooks, although there were synergies with Mr Leathers.

Mr Leather proposed that a discussion be held with key stakeholders to establish the parameters of what was being offered which would enable a survey to be devised. This was seconded by Mr Cubbon with all in favour.

Members agreed to note the noticed of motion which would remain in the motion book.

Thank you letter from CADS and next year date noted and Mr Horton said excellent to be working with this group and thanked them for the help with Christmas also.

OB/042.21 Correspondence

A letter was received from the S100 Committee regarding the planned 2022 event, this was noted.

A letter was received from Mooinjer Veggey thanking the board for their support with the Castletown group. This was noted by members.

A letter was received from Mr Brown OBE on behalf of the HMS Racehorse group and the planned exhibition in the hall.

Members expressed concern at the length of time that the hall had been requested and queried of the foyer might be a better location. The Clerk would contact Mr Brown.

A letter was received from Mr Ronan with regard the football memorabilia that was ordinarily on display in the foyer. Following a discussion Mr Ludford Brooks proposed that the board determine that the cabinet be removed. Should Mr Ronan wish to display the memorabilia on a periodic basis then this would be accommodated. This was seconded by Mrs Cannan with all in favour.

A letter was received from Mr Lennon suggesting that markets be held on a Sunday so as not to interrupt businesses and parking in the Market Square. Mr Leather suggested that the letter be noted and Mrs Cannan seconded and agreed to raise the suggestion with the Market Committee

A letter was received from the Southern Recycling Centre making members aware that there would be an increase that would be equivalent to 6.5p on the town rate. Mr Ludford Brooks informed members that this was very much a worst case scenario and he expected that there may be a revision downward in the near future.

A letter was received from Mr Brown OBE in relation to an area of land on Castle Quay that he understood a resident was claiming ownership of. Mr Leather proposed that the Commissioner reiterate their belief to the DOI that the area was understood to be public highway. This was seconded by Mr Ludford-Brooks with all in favour.

OB/043.21 Planning

Mr Ludford-Brooks covered planning applications. There were no matters of concern.

OB/0442.1 Consultations

The Clerk made members aware of open consultations. The Community Hub consultation

may be of particular interest to members

OB/036.21 Matters for future Discussions

Rates Setting

Seasonal Arrangements for the Market Square.

Meeting Closed 20:55

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Ordinary Board Minutes

26th December 2021

Present: Mr Horton (Chairman), Mr Ludford-Brooks (Vice Chairman) Mrs Cannan, Messrs. Cubbon & Leather. Apologies were received from Miss Quinney.

Mr Rogers joined the meeting virtually.

Also in attendance the Town Clerk.

OB/046.21 Chairman's Welcome

Mr Horton opened the meeting, thanked all for attending. The meeting would be a short one and was being held to address business that needed attention prior to the New Year,

OB/047.21 Declarations

Mr Rogers undertook his declarations. This was done remotely owing to his covid isolation and was quite likely a first for the Castletown Town Commissioners.

OB/048.21 Planning

Mr Ludford-Brooks made members aware that a response was required in relation to the Swimming Pool application at KWC. He proposed that the town write in support of the application. This was seconded by Mr Cubbon with all in favour.

OB/049.21 Consultations

Feedback was required in relation to the Southern Pool Board legislation.

Members were reluctantly content with the increased contributions, whilst being broadly supportive of the proposal, there is concern over the wording of clause (5)

"Notwithstanding the above provision, a constituent authority may provide additional payments within a financial year to the joint board to cover any expenses of the Board.»"

It is considered that stronger wording may be required to emphasise that any additional financial support would be entirely at the discretion of constituent authorities, whilst accepting the key phrase is may rather than shall, it is not considered that the phraseology offers a clear right of veto.

Local authorities should not be seen as a bottomless source of funding, particularly when some of the larger authorities elsewhere in the island do not contribute to provision for their local facility.

OB/050.21

Positions

Mr Cubbon proposed that Mrs Cannan be elected as the representative to the Southern Healthcare trust. This was seconded with all in favour.

OB/051.21

Matters for future Discussions

Parking Strategy

Meeting Closed 19:13



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1 December 2021

Dear Sir,

MAROWN CIVIC SERVICE

Regrettably, the Chairman is indisposed and is therefore unable to host his Civic Service planned for Sunday first. He has set a revised date of Sunday January 30th 2022 and should be pleased if you would note the revised date. All other details will remain as advised previously.

With the Chairman's apology,

Yours Faithfully



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08 December 2021

Dear Local Authority Clerk

As you may be aware the Elections (Keys and Local Authorities) Act 2020 received Royal Assent on the 20/10/2020.

An Appointed Day Order was made on the 01 March 2021, which brought in provisions of the Act in respect of House of Keys elections.

The Appointed Day Order also specified that the remaining provisions would be brought into effect on 01 January 2022, which included those measures relevant to holding Local Authority elections.

The smooth running of an election is dependent upon electoral officers.

In terms of the recent national election, the Crown & Elections Team liaised with Deputy Returning Officers throughout the process and most recently, in the 6 months prior to the election, to discuss the legislation, operation of draft regulations and other matters crucial to the effective conduct of an election. It is therefore imperative that the same level of support can be provided to Local Authority election officials.

The Crown and Elections Team are working alongside the Department of Infrastructure and the Attorney General's Chambers to ensure a smooth transition for Local Authorities, which will include:

- drafting regulations for the operation of local authority elections and carrying out a targeted consultation on the same,
- working with our local authority clerks and our colleagues in the Department of Infrastructure to transition the administrative support for elections from the Department of Infrastructure to the Cabinet Office.
- carrying out engagement and training to Local Authority Clerks in respect of those provisions of the Act which will be new but which are crucial to the smooth operation of elections, which includes different paperwork, amended provisions for proxy voting and the introduction of universal postal voting.

The Crown and Elections Team will therefore shortly submit a paper to the Council of Ministers recommending that a further Appointed Day Order amending the date from 01 January 2022 to 01 July 2022 is approved and laid before Tynwald at its January sitting.

The Appointed Day Order will also provide for the repeal of the Local Elections Act 1986 from that same date. Therefore the transition between the 2 pieces of legislation will be seamless and any local authority elections held prior to the 1st July can be held under the current provisions.

This approach will provide us with the required time to draft, consult and where required amend the regulations and to provide the training required prior to legislation being enacted.

Whilst I am sure you are eager for the new provisions to come into effect sooner rather than later it is important to ensure adequate time and consideration are given to the new regulations and that training is provided prior to their implementation.

As previously stated we will be consulting on the draft regulations in the New Year and we would welcome any feedback you may have in order to inform the final version of the Regs.

Yours faithfully

Frank Carolan
Crown and Elections Manager