

## **Castletown Town Commissioners**

### **Ordinary Board Minutes**

**6<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Present:** Mr Horton (Chairman), Mrs Cannan, Messrs. Ludford-Brooks, Leather & Rogers.

Mr Cubbon and Miss Quinney sent apologies.

Also in attendance the Town Clerk.

#### **OB/010.22**

#### **Chairman's Welcome**

Mr Horton opened the meeting and welcomed those present. He stated that he had attended a few meetings and a fabulous street party on Westhill Avenue and Mr Ludford-Brooks had represented the town a number of other events, in particular the unveiling of the Plaque to Sir Frank Gill, KWC Founders day and the Monas Queen memorial service at Kallow Point.

#### **OB/011.22**

#### **Minutes**

Mrs Cannan proposed that the minutes of the meeting of May 9th be accepted. This was seconded by Mr Rogers with all in favour.

#### **OB/012.22**

#### **Business out of the same.**

Mr Horton queried if there had been any progress with the Fire Station. It was confirmed that a request had been made to Bottle Monkey to provide a public update.

Mr Ludford-Brooks asked for confirmation regarding his request to amend timings for Parking in the Barracks Square.

Members agreed that the Board should seek a meeting with the DOI to discuss the wider situation around the town.

The Clerk would follow up Mr Ludford-Brooks concerns regarding the Town Centre diversion signage.

It was also confirmed that the treasury backed borrowing was on the SONIA rate as per correspondence from HSBC.

#### **OB/013.22**

#### **Accounts**

Mr Ludford Brooks proposed that the accounts be accepted. This was seconded by Mr Leather with all in favour.

**OB/014.22****Notices of Motion**

No notices of Motion were brought forward.

**OB/015.22****Correspondence**

An email was received from Coffeecraft requesting that the Commissioners give consideration to relocate the notice board to assist in flexibility with outdoor seating.

Mr Ludford-Brooks proposed that the Board support this and Mr Leather seconded the same with all in favour.

Correspondence was received with regard the Southern Swimming Pool from a community action group, Mr Ludford-Brooks commented that he had been seeking for the pool to be included into the CRHS plans for at least 18 months, if not longer.

He requested that the Clerk request financial statements from the pool board and confirmed that it remained his intention to seek a meeting with all parties has had been agreed under the last administration but affected by the covid pandemic.

Mr Leather felt that whilst the Board had always been supportive, the time had come to be more outspoken and proposed that other local authorities be contacted.

Mr Ludford-Brooks Seconded this with all in favour.

Two letters were received from residents requesting that reconsideration be given to the rewinding of Queen Street. Members felt that if all land owners were supportive, then a meter wide strip could be cut into the grass for pedestrians. There were no formal resolutions made.

One of the letters also queried the suitability of some items of Street Furniture in the Square. Mr Horton commented that the Square a trial, all aspects will be reviewed in due course.

An letter was received from the CADS confirming that the Tin Baths were scheduled to take place on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

An invitation was received with regard the Southern Agricultural Show. Mr Horton confirmed his attendance.

A letter was received from Mr Cringle regarding Parking. The Clerk stated that he felt Mr Cringles letter contained some very valid points and such feedback needed to be fed into a wider review of parking with the DOI.

The Amey Report on parking, whilst dated, had made a number of recommendations, however most of these had not been adopted, it was ultimately down to the board to provide clear direction, it was simply not possible to provide as much free long stay parking

as the public would like to see and there were conflicting demands between residents and visitors.

The Clerk made members aware of an indicative quote that had been received to replace the toilet on the disabled toilets. This was likely to be in excess of £10k.

Members accepted that the current public toilets were not suitable for out of hours provision and had been encouraging regular anti social behaviour.

Mr Leather proposed that investigation be made provide a function out of hours toilet that could service all users. This was seconded by Mr Ludford-Brooks with all in favour.

#### **OB/016.22                      Planning**

Mr Ludford-Brooks covered the planning applications, No objections were noted.

#### **OB/017.22                      Consultations**

The Clerk made members aware of the current consultations and it was agreed that they would make individual representations.

#### **OB/018.22                      Matters for future Discussions**

Christmas

The Meeting Closed at 20:07