Castletown Town Commissioners Ordinary Board Minutes

19 June 2023

Present: Mr. J. Horton (Chair) (JH)

Mrs. B. Cannan (BC) (Vice Chair)

Mr. C. Leather (CL) Mr. N. Rogers (NR) Mr. J. Cubbon (JC)

Mr. J. Ludford-Brooks (JLB)

Apologies: Miss D. Quinney (DQ)

Attending: Mr. H. Mackenzie, Town Clerk (HM)

Mr. L. Wylie, Operations Manager/Deputy Clerk (LW)

Miss H. Fox (minutes)

OB/014.23 Chair's Welcome

Mr Horton opened the meeting and welcomed those present. Mrs Cannan attended the King Williams College founders' day and found it enjoyable.

OB/015.23 Minutes of previous meeting

It was resolved the minutes of the meeting of 15 May 2023 be approved as read and a true and accurate record.

Proposed: Mr Rogers Seconded: Mrs Cannan

OB/016.23 Business out of the same

Castletown football club

No update

Poulsom Park - wall

McGarrigle are undertaking the drawings.

Action: Mr Cubbon to chase up.

Lloyds Pharmacy

Works in progress, completion due by the end of month.

The Union pub outdoor area

Heron & Brearley have put plans on hold due to TT pressures, drawings required. They also noted they plan to keep both pubs open until midnight all Southern 100 week.

OB/017.23 Accounts

Noted.

OB/018.23 Isle of Gelato By the Sea

Festoon lighting was suggested. Also, possible consideration for the spaces outside the kiosk being suspended for safety and for an area for them to extend out for entertainment. The consensus is to wait and make plans going forward after seeing what the business need is.

OB/019.23 Market Square (Full closure)

Mrs Cannan has said she thinks we should proceed with full closure of Market Square. The Clerk suggested the best option would be to have the flexibility with DOI to open and close at the convenience of CTC. He also said there would need to be a Notice of Motion and a consultation following that. Mr Ludford-Brooks advised he would be happy to bring forward a Notice of Motion to support this.

Action: The Clerk to make enquiries with DOI. Mr Ludford-Brooks to draft a NOM

OB/020.23 Manx Ices/Ice cream in Market Square

There was a long discussion about whether it was appropriate to have an ice-cream van in the Square given Isle of Gelato were refused when they asked to set up there. The Clerk pointed out this is more a policy issue which needs consideration for all mobile trading requests going forward. If appropriate pedlars licence tariffs were set there would be a benefit financially to the town.

Action: Anywhere but the square. Also look at the mobile trade policy.

OB/021.23 Community Piano

Police involved in piano complaint. It was noted if there was a genuine issue, there would be more complaints. A discussion was had and it was resolved to continue to monitor the situation and the piano to remain insitu and unlocked.

OB/022.23 Notices of Motion

None.

OB/023.23 Invites and Events

Mr Horton is awaiting an invite to Tynwald Day.

OB/024.23 Correspondence

Noted.

OB/025.23 Barracks Square Parking (Blue Badge)

Being trialled now, needs to be tied in with any wider plans for parking.

OB/026.23 Planning Applications

Planning applications from the April press list were discussed. All were supported.

Barclays ATM – Planning submitted for cash point working along with CTC.

OB/027.23 Planning matters/decisions

Reef House – meeting on site with CL and he provided an update.

OB/028.23 Consultations

The live consultations on the government website were listed.

OB/029.23 Matters for future discussions

Mr Cubbon would like to discuss how TT could work for Castletown in the future as it is always quiet. Mr Cubbon also raised matter of the swimming pool – need an update on viewpoints

Mr Ludford-Brooks stated he feels nothing gets done in the town. The Clerk pointed out the limitations on CTC as a lot of issues are down to the infrastructure of the town.

There needs to be a review of start times for meetings, proposed to start at 6pm as staff in the office are working long hours.

Need to discuss upgrading required on parks, play areas etc as they look tired.

Meeting Closed: 21:00