

BOARD MEETING

The MINUTES of a BOARD MEETING held in the Board Room, Town Hall, Derby Road, Peel on Tuesday 17th March 2009 at 7.00p.m.

Present Mrs. T M Birkett (Chairman)
 Mr. E Beale
 Mr. R Gimbert
 Mr. A Jones
 Mr. D Lace
 Mrs. C A Moughtin
 Mrs. J O'Halloran
 Mr. I Skidmore

Absent Ms. P Hardman

In attendance Mr. P G Leadley (Town Clerk)

Action

ESTABLISHMENT	08/539	The Town Clerk introduced Mr. Mark Murphy the newly appointed Foreman to the Members of the Board	
MINUTES	08/540	The Minutes of the meeting held on 3 rd March 2009 were taken as read and <i>CONFIRMED</i> .	
TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN	08/541	Reference was made back to Minute 08/516 and Mr. Gimbert undertook to contact the Department of Transport through Mr. Crookall, MHK to progress the drafting of the revised traffic proposals for Peel.	RMG
BUILDERS WASTE	08/542	The Town Clerk referred to Minute 08/517 and indicated that the builders waste had been removed from the field to the north of the former Barfords Factory. <i>NOTED</i>	
PROMENADE WATER FOUNTAIN	08/543	The Town Clerk referred back to Minute 08/530 and indicated that there were technical difficulties in providing a second drinking fountain on the promenade at this location. Members <i>AGREED</i> that the feature be retained but that it not be connected to the water supply.	
SOLAR STREET LIGHTING	08/544	Mr. Gimbert referred back to Minute 08/538 and indicated that he had made contact with the Technical Officer seeking information prior to the preparation of a report for consideration by the	RMG

Department of Local Government and the Environment. Arising therefrom he indicated that solar powered bollard lights were available with the most robust bollard being priced at £230. It was suggested this matter could be discussed with the Traditional Boat Festival Committee Members on 18th March 2009.

Mr. Gimbert indicated that he had sourced a further street light that was powered by light and wind and provided up to sixteen hours usage in any one session. It was felt that these lights warranted further investigation for possible use.

BUILDING CONTROL	08/545	The Town Clerk updated Members on the current position regarding the proposed transfer of the building control function to the Department of Local Government and the Environment. A response indicating the Commissioners concerns and ultimate objection to the proposed transfer under an Order in which it was indicated that the Peel Town Commissioners voluntarily gave up the building control function had been sent to the Chief Executive of the Department. As a result the Order for Tynwald approval had subsequently been withdrawn. The Town Clerk had spoken to the Chief Executive and it was noted that the matter required further discussion between the Minister and Members of the Board at a meeting to be arranged.	PGL
DOG FOULING	08/546	Mr. Jones referred back to Minute 08/519 and indicated that it was difficult for an authority to successfully prosecute any dog owners that allowed their pets to foul. It was suggested by Mr. Jones that an inter-authority meeting be arranged to include the Police with a view to seeking possible solutions to the matter of dog fouling across the Island.	
		Further discussion ensued over the possible provision of a dog toilet area on the headlands and Mr. Gimbert suggested that the matter be costed out for the provision of the necessary concrete area and fencing that would be required.	TQ
FAMILY INCOME SUPPLEMENT	08/547	Reference was made back to Minute 08/523 and it was noted that Mr. Gimbert had forwarded a response to the Town Clerk. Other Members <i>AGREED</i> that the matter be placed on the next agenda and that any views be submitted at that	

meeting for onward transmission to the Department of Health and Social Security.

CAVITY WALL INSULATION	08/548	Mr. Lace referred back to Minute 08/536 and the Town Clerk indicated that the firm appointed by the Department of Local Government and the Environment under the framework agreement for installation of cavity wall insulation in local authority housing emanated from the United Kingdom and was not a Manx firm. Mr. Lace was concerned that a UK firm had been employed and it was <i>AGREED</i> to enquire of the Department why this was the case.	PGL
MEMORIAL BENCHES	08/549	Members considered a letter from the Samaritans in which they wished to undertake a project of placing memorial benches around the Island and had enquired as to whether permission could be given for a bench to be placed within the town district. After discussion Members <i>AGREED</i> that a space could be allocated either on Peel Hill or on the Ballaquane Road for a suitable memorial bench for the Samaritans.	
FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL LIST 2009	08/550	Members noted receipt of the first supplemental valuation list for 2009. Arising therefrom Mr. Gimbert indicated his objection to derelict properties being zero rated and asked that a letter be sent to the Treasury with a request that this practice be reviewed as it had a negative affect on a property owner needing to undertake necessary repairs.	
PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT	08/551	<p>The following planning applications were considered by the Board as follows:-</p> <p>PA 09/00323/B Alterations to garage and workshop, Derby Drive, Peel. <i>RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.</i></p> <p>PA 09/00275/B Replacement of windows, 40 Glenfaba Road, Peel. <i>RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.</i></p> <p>PA 09/00276/B Render rear of dwelling and remove redundant rear chimney stack, Holm Villa, 39 Stanley Terrace, Christian Street, Peel. <i>RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.</i></p> <p>PA 09/00311/B Demolition of existing garage and replacement with new kitchen/diner, including extension to provide additional living</p>	

accommodation, 1 Close Cubbon, Peel.
RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.

CIVIC SUNDAY	08/552	Members noted receipt of a letter from Helen Parry of the Vicar and Wardens of St. Germans Cathedral following the recent meeting with two of the Wardens and the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk of the Commissioners. The compromise proposed involved the commencement of the Civic Sunday Service at 10.45a.m. on Sunday 12 th July 2009. <i>NOTED</i>	
OUT TO PLAY SCHEME	08/553	Consideration was given to a letter from the Isle of Man Children's Centre requesting permission to hold an Out to Play session on the headlands field on 6 th April 2009 between 2 and 4pm. <i>AGREED</i>	
SHAMYR HEY TEAROOMS	08/554	Consideration was given to a letter from Mrs. Lace proprietor of the Shamyry Hey Tearooms at the top of Michael Street, Peel. Mrs. Lace indicated that one of her customers had suffered an attack from a marauding seagull and to combat the problem wished to erect a flagpole on the paved area to which she would attach coloured bunting to discourage swooping seagulls. The Board had no objection subject to Mrs. Lace obtaining the necessary planning approval.	
THE CREEK INN	08/555	The Town Clerk referred to a request from the Creek Inn for permission to grant a street café licence for the placement of outside tables and chairs on an area shown on a map which had been prepared by Mr. Sewell of the Department of Transport. The area concerned was reduced from that used the previous year and did not impact significantly on road safety. The provision of three parking spaces was maintained and after discussion the Board <i>AGREED</i> that the matter be advertised seeking public comment with a view to the granting of the request under the appropriate legislation. Mr. Gimbert indicated concerns over pedestrians looking to cross the road in the vicinity of Lake Lane. <i>NOTED</i>	PGL
		Reference was made to the cost of advertising and it was <i>AGREED</i> that that cost should be borne by the applicant in the form of an administration charge. <i>AGREED</i>	
PEEL HERITAGE TRUST	08/556	The Town Clerk referred to a copy of a letter he had received from the Secretary to Peel Heritage Trust	

addressed to Mr. David Anderson, MHK and Minister for the Department of Transport expressing the Trust's concerns at the heavy goods vehicle traffic generated by the sandpit at Ballgyr. These vehicles owned by JCK Limited passed through Peel on a regular basis and caused damage to pavements and roads particularly the corner of Ballaquane Road. The Trust had sought the opinions and views of Mr. Anderson on the problem on how it might be resolved.

Members indicated that a similar letter of objection had already been sent to the Department by the Commissioners echoing the same concerns as Peel Heritage Trust.

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1985	08/557	The Town Clerk referred to an Order made by the Minister for Transport under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1985 which created a reserved parking place for vehicles displaying a permit on the east side of Tynwald Close. <i>NOTED</i>	
EARTH HOUR	08/558	The Town Clerk referred to an email received from Katie Keenan, Administrator of the One World Centre regarding a global event taking place on the 28 th March 2009 where businesses and individuals were urged to turn off their lights for one hour from 8.30 to 9.30pm for the purpose of making a statement about climate change. The initiative was supported by Mr. Shimmin, MHK, Minister for the Department of Local Government and the Environment which indicated that the Isle of Man Government would take a lead in supporting the turning off of lights at this time. The Board noted the initiative but felt that it would be inappropriate to turn off the street lighting at such short notice.	
WESTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM	08/559	The Town Clerk referred to the Police's partnership plan for 2009/2010. A copy had been forwarded and it was <i>AGREED</i> that it be placed on the Commissioners notice board. It was also noted that a copy would be included within the rate demand to be issued on behalf of the Commissioners by the Treasury.	PGL
ISLAND IN BLOOM COMPETITION 2009	08/560	The Town Clerk indicated that the Department of Tourism and Leisure was operating the annual Island in Bloom competition and it was <i>AGREED</i> that the Town take part as in previous years.	PGL

BALLAQUANE
BENCH

08/561

Mr. Jones referred to his attendance at a recent Peel Heritage Trust meeting and indicated that discussion had ensued over the state of the sandstone bench at the corner of Ballaquane Road. The Trust were keen to see the bench reinstated for use by residents. It was *AGREED* that the Foreman should inspect the benches in the Ballaquane area and assess the level of refurbishment required.

FORMER
BRICKWORKS
LAND

08/562

Mr. Gimbert referred to the parking of HGV PGL vehicles on the Commissioners recently purchased land at the former brickworks site. It was *AGREED* that the Town Clerk contact the proprietor of the commercial vehicles with a view to seeking a rent or requesting removal of the vehicles.

This part of the meeting ended at 7.55p.m.

