

# GENERAL MEETING

The MINUTES of the GENERAL MEETING held in the Boardroom, Town Hall, Derby Road, Peel on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at 7.00p.m.

Present            Mr. N Cushing (Chairman)  
                      Mr. R Harmer  
                      Mr. E C Beale  
                      Mr. D J Lace  
                      Mr. R M Gimbert  
                      Mrs. C A Moughtin

Apologies        Mrs. T M Birkett  
                      Mrs. J O'Halloran  
                      Mr. A Jones

In attendance    Miss P L Bampton (Finance Officer)  
                      Mr. T Quayle (Technical Officer)

## Action

CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME	11/041	The Chairman welcomed the Board, the press and members of the public to the second meeting of May 2011.
MINUTES	11/042	The Minutes of the meeting held on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2011 were taken as read and <i>CONFIRMED</i> .
WEST QUAY	11/043	The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/007 and enquired if a detailed response had been received from Captain Best regarding the untidy area on West Quay. The Finance Officer reported that to date no reply had been received. <i>NOTED</i>
BRIDGE STREET	11/044	The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/009 and enquired if a letter of response had been received from the Minister of the Department of Infrastructure in answer to the Boards objection of Bridge Street being shut between the period 3 <sup>rd</sup> May to 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2011 whilst the demolition and construction work took place in respect of a new dwelling. The Finance Officer reported to date that a letter had not been received. Mr. Gimbert informed Members that the Department had ignored the Commissioners concerns and shut the road anyway. <i>NOTED</i>

PEEL ALLOTMENT	11/045	<p>Mr. Beale referred back to Minute 11/011 and informed that the Board that he had contacted the Allotment Committee and had advised them of the Commissioners concerns that there were a number of sheds that had been constructed on the allotment site that were not in accordance with the planning conditions that were attached to the planning approval. The Committee had undertaken to investigate the matter. <i>NOTED</i></p>
DISC PARKING	11/046	<p>The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/012 and enquired if a response had been received from Mr. Barnes of the Department of Infrastructure regarding the disc parking in the Market Place and Atholl Street.</p> <p>The Board were provided with a copy of an email from Mr. Barnes informing Members that after consultation with local residents and businesses the majority were in favour of returning the Market Place disc parking time to two hours. Mr Barnes stated that the traffic orders would be amended accordingly and the parking signs changed to show two hours. The Department was also organising a mail drop to inform residents and businesses of the outcome of the consultation. Mr. Barnes also stated that due to positive public feedback the 30 minutes waiting time on Atholl Place would remain. <i>NOTED</i></p>
WI FI ACCESS – TOWN HALL	11/047	<p>The Finance Officer referred back to Minute 11/013 and reported that she had received an email from Skanco Business Systems Limited, the Commissioners IT provider. The only software that would enable the Wi-Fi password to be changed on a daily basis would cost thousands of pounds. <i>NOTED</i>. Mr. Gimbert undertook to help the Finance Officer find a cheaper solution.</p>
MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK	11/048	<p>The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/014 and enquired whether a formal response had been received from Mr. Crookall with regards to a feasibility study for providing a multi storey car park for Peel. The Finance Officer reported the she had received an email from Mr. Crookall which she had forwarded Members. Mr.</p>

Harmer informed the Board that the report from Another Level Car Parks Limited stated that the Market Place in Peel was presently unsatisfactory for one of their structures due to the gradient of the land but more importantly due to the established rear access to the adjoining properties. A concrete multi storey structure could be built with lock up shops on the front up to the road on ground level with car parking two to three levels above.

Mr. Harmer reported that the report stated that one of the Company's structures would create an additional fifty spaces at the car park in Derby Road, an additional 29 spaces at the Creg Malin car park and 27 additional car parking spaces at Fenella Beach. The Board *AGREED* to discuss the matter under any other business as this would enable them to take into account the views of the Peel Chamber of Trade.

PLAYGROUND  
FACILITIES

11/049

The Technical Officer referred back to Minute 11/015 and informed Members that West View playground had been vandalised every single weekend for the last month. The latest vandalism related to all the seat rails. The Technical Officer reported that there were currently £2900 worth of parts on order to replace items that were continually being vandalised. The police have been asked to step up their patrols on the area. Mr Quayle reported that the CCTV cameras at the playground did not pick up any images once it was dark. The Board *AGREED* to obtain pricing for two options. The first was to provide lighting in the area and the second was to replace the CCTV with an infra red camera. In the meantime it was *AGREED* to write to the police and ask them to step up their patrols of the area.

CHRISTIAN  
CAR PARK

STREET 11/050

The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/029 and reported that a copy of the response to Mr. Ainsworth, Director of Harmony Homes Limited from Mike Barnes, Traffic Technician at the Department of Infrastructure had been received addressing his concerns regarding the parking in Christian Street. Mr. Barnes had informed Mr. Ainsworth that as part of

the Traffic Management Plan for Peel, the creation of on-street parking (where possible) was a major part of the remit. Christian Street now had several on-street parking spaces and residents now had the chance to be able to park their vehicles near to their properties. Mr. Ainsworth was the only person to lodge a complaint about the new arrangements. The majority of comments were positive. *NOTED*

CHURCH STREET 11/051  
PARKING

The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/018 regarding the Church Street parking restrictions and a request that had been received by the Commissioners from two residents that the reserved parking bays provided in Derby Road car park be extended to P permit holders. The Finance Officer reported that a response was currently still awaited from the Department of Infrastructure on the matter. *NOTED*

PATRICK STREET 11/052

The Technical Officer referred back to Minute 11/030 and reported that he had spoken to Bill Corlett, from the Department of Infrastructure and asked him to arrange for the building site to be cleared and the fencing removed before Practice Week. Mr. Quayle informed Members that he had not received a formal response from Mr. Corlett as to when the fencing was going to be removed. The Board *AGREED* that a request be made in writing to Mr. Corlett to have the area cleared forthwith.

FLAG POLES 11/053

The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/031 and reported to Members that a letter had been received from Stuart Sweetman, Customer Services Officer at the Department of Infrastructure informing the Board that Network Operations were investigating the issue of Peel Town Commissioners placing flag poles along the promenade as in previous years. The Technical Officer reported that he was currently in the process of obtaining prices for hinged flag poles. Mr. Quayle suggested purchasing 10 of these poles at a cost of £200 each. It was *AGREED* that Mr. Harmer, the Lead Member for Finance and the Finance Officer examine the Commissioners budget for 2011/2012 and

ascertain if there was enough money to purchase 10 of the new flag poles.

- CLOSE CHAIRN 11/054  
PROPERTIES
- The Technical Officer referred back to Minute 11/032 regarding the problem of dog fouling at Close Chairn and reported that he had spoken to the Town Clerk about the issue and they were drafting wording for the signs. Mr. Lace informed Members that he had compiled the wording for a sign a number of years ago and undertook to provide the Technical Officer with a copy. Mr. Lace reported that all he wanted was for dog owners to keep their dogs on a lead until they were away from the pathway in front of the Close Chairn properties. The Technical Officer reported that all the Commissioners could do was to put up signs with no dog fouling. It was *AGREED* to look at the Commissioners Dog Bylaws to see if such a sign could be erected.
- SHIP ANCHOR – MILL 11/055  
ROAD
- The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/032 and reported that a letter had been received from Debbie Lee, Secretary to the Director of Harbours informing the Commissioners that Captain Best would look at whether it would be practical to have the ships anchor on display at the end of Mill Road repainted and would inform the Board of his decision in due course.
- OAK ROAD LITTER 11/056  
BINS
- The Technical Officer referred back to Minute 11/035 and informed Members that the litter bin at the end of Oak Road would be put in place the following day. *NOTED*.
- WESTERN TRAFFIC 11/057  
MANAGEMENT  
GROUP
- Mr. Lace referred back to Minute 11/039 and reported that the traffic mirror on the junction at the Mount Murray back road had now been installed by the Department of Infrastructure. *NOTED*
- GOVERNMENT 11/058  
CONSULTATION
- The Chairman referred back to Minute 11/040 and enquired if Members had any responses that they wanted to put forward on the latest Government consultation on the Town and Country Planning Act. Mr. Harmer stated that as the Planning Division was part of the Department of Infrastructure this would on some occasions lead to conflict. Mr. Harmer was of the opinion that

the function of the Planning Division needed to be removed from the Department of Infrastructure and suggested that there needed to be a representative from each of the North, South, West and East areas to sit on the Planning Committee as they would have specialist local knowledge of the area. The Chairman reported that he supported Mr. Harmer's view that there needed to be local representation on the Committee. The Finance Officer undertook to send a letter to the Department outlining the Board's views.

TOWN WARDEN'S 11/059  
REPORT

Members *NOTED* receipt of the Town Wardens report informing them that twenty vehicle checks had been made which had resulted in five notices being placed on these vehicles. These had either been removed or re-taxed by their owners. The Town Warden reported that he had carried out regular patrols around Ballawattleworth and other estates to make sure that there was no dog fouling taking place. Mr. Wozniak informed the Board that the reserved space in Douglas Street car park was still causing some confusion and he was continuing to monitor the situation.

The Town Warden reported that another area that was causing concern was that there was a large quantity of domestic refuse being placed in the litter bins on the promenade. Mr. Wozniak stated that this practice needed to be discouraged and he was looking in to the issue to see if it was an offence under the Litter Act.

Arising therefrom the Technical Officer reported that the new supply of dog bags would arrive on Friday. *NOTED*

The Chairman informed Members that he noted from the report that the reserved space in Douglas Street Car Park was still causing confusion and enquired if there had been a specific instance. Mrs. Moughtin reported that the problem was arising because drivers were not reading the signs properly. The Technical Officer indicated he had spoken to the Department of Infrastructure about having a proper lay-by, The Department were in agreement with the Commissioners

creating a lay by as long as they did it at their own expense. Mr. Quayle suggested painting white lines and closing one of the entrances off. Mrs. Moughtin informed Members that there was still a need for an in and out entrance to the car park. Mrs Moughtin suggested that the Commissioners needed to stop people parking by the old newspaper building this would lead to an ingress being created on the other side. These measures would still rely on the general public following the signage that had been put up in the car park.

Mr. Harmer enquired as to when the new litter bins were going to be installed on the promenade. The Technical Officer informed Members that they were due to be installed in the next few days. *NOTED*

Arising therefrom Mr. Gimbert reported that he was not happy with the amount of time and manpower that the Town Warden was spending on pressuring people who deposited their domestic rubbish in the promenade litter bins. Mr Gimbert commented that the extra refuse that was generated probably cost the town about £50 extra a year to dispose of and did not warrant the Town Warden spending a lot of his time policing this matter. Mr Gimbert informed Members that people needed to be encouraged to put their litter in the bins provided.

Mrs. Moughtin indicated that she did not know what the resident's concern was with using either a wheelie bin or bin bags. The lady was running a holiday let and was telling her visitors to deposit their waste in the litter bin opposite her property. Mrs Moughtin stated that it should be up to the lady concerned to provide her guests with the correct receptacle for refuse. It was *AGREED* that a letter be sent to the individual concerned asking her not to deposit her household refuse in the promenade litter bins.

REVIEW OF ON 11/060  
STREET AND OFF  
STREET PARKING

Members considered a request from the Department of Infrastructure which had recently conducted a public on line survey to

ISSUES

look at the various issues on the Island with regard to on and off street parking. The Department had produced a news release and wished to receive any comments the Commissioners may have on this issue. The Chairman reported that the press release, making people pay to park in some areas. The Chairman stated that charging people to park was an issue that should be resisted by the Board. The Chairman informed Members that if the Department wanted to increase parking provision then they needed to employ more traffic wardens to make sure that disc parking was enforced. Mr. Gimbert reported that if power to enforce parking restrictions was passed to local authorities then better enforcement could be achieved. It was *AGREED* that a response be sent to the Department outlining the Boards views.

WESTERN TRAFFIC 11/061  
MANAGEMENT  
LIAISON GROUP

The Board *NOTED* receipt of the Minutes of the Western Traffic Management Liaison Group Meeting which had been held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at Peel Town Hall. Members also noted the agenda for the meeting which was due to take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May at the Town Hall. Mr. Lace informed the Board that he would attend the meeting and bring up any concerns that Members may have. Mr. Harmer requested that Mr. Lace ask when the new Welcome to Peel signs were going to be installed by the Department.

BIG TIDY UP ISLE OF 11/062  
MAN CHALLENGE

Members considered a request from Douglas Corporation to join the Big Tidy Up Isle of Man Challenge which was due to take place on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October and Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2011 with the aim of clearing litter hot spots. The Board *AGREED* that they would like to take part in the Challenge and Members undertook to identify possible hot spots. Mr. Harmer suggested that the Commissioners contact the local schools and community groups to take part in the challenge. *AGREED*

INFORMATION 11/063  
STANDS

The Board *AGREED* to the Department of Tourism providing wall mounted information stands containing tourist literature to be displayed in the

Commissioners toilet block on the outside wall provided measures were put in place to stop the information getting wet.

ROAD TRAFFIC 11/064  
REGULATION ACT  
1985

The Board noted receipt of the following road traffic regulations:-

Peel (Parking Place Designation) (Amendment) Order 2011 – the effect of this Order is to amend the permitted parking time on the existing disc parking bays on Market Place, Peel.

Circular Road (Peel) (Temporary Suspension of Parking Place ) Order 2011 – the effect of this Order is to temporarily suspend parking on both sides of that section of Circular Road, Peel, from its junction with Stanley Road to its junction with Stanley Mount, whilst gas valve fitting work takes place.

Peel In Motion Order 2011 – the effect of this Order is to close sections of various roads in Peel to enable Peel in Motion to take place.

Various Roads (Peel) (Temporary Suspension of Parking Places) Order 2011 - this order effects the temporary suspension of parking on Marine Parade (except for motorcycles), Shore Road and Victoria Road, East Quay, Atholl Place and Crown Street (except Harbour vehicles), in the town of Peel, whilst Peel in Motion entertainment took place.

Walpole Road (Peel) (Temporary Suspension of One Way Traffic) Order 2011 – this Order effects the temporary suspension of one-way traffic over Walpole Road, Peel, for motorcycles only whilst Peel in Motion entertainment take place.

Stanley Road (Peel) (Temporary Suspension of One Way Traffic) Order 2011 – this Order effects the temporary suspension of one-way traffic over Stanley Road, Peel, to allow two way traffic only whilst Peel in Motion entertainment take place.

HERITAGE HOMES 11/065

The Board noted a copy of a letter from Mr.

LIMITED

Roy Tully objecting to the residential development of 101 dwellings with associated highway and drainage works, public open space and landscaping, field 311825 and parts of field 315097, 311826, 311827 and 31444 between Derby road/Poortown Road and QE11 High School and East of Reayrt ny Keylley, Peel that had been made by Heritage Homes Limited.

PLANNING  
APPLICATIONS  
COMMENT

11/066  
FOR

The following planning applications were considered as follows:-

PA 11/00592/GB

Installation of dormer to replace existing roof light (In association with 11/0593CON), Apartment 7, Chapel Court, Christian Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.*

PA 11/00593/CON

Registered Building Consent for installation of dormer to replace existing roof light (R B no 194 in association with 11/00592/GB) Apartment 7 Chapel Court, Christian Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.*

PA 11/00594/GB

Alteration to existing fourth floor balcony to create additional floor space (in association with 11/00595/CON, Apartment 7 Chapel Court Christian Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.*

PA 11/00595/CON

Registered Building consent to alter existing fourth floor balcony to create additional floor space (in association with 11.00594/GB Registered Building Nos 194 Apartment 7 Chapel Court, Christian Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.*

PA 11/00596/B

Erection of garage extension, installation of dormer and roof light, 22 Close Cubbon, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.*

PA 11/00608/B

Installation of replacement windows and erection of a replacement conservatory to rear elevation (retrospective), 10 Stanley Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR*

*APPROVAL.*

PA 11/00612/C

Additional use of premises as a tea room  
Waldick Hotel, 9 Marine Parade, Peel.  
*RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.*

PA 11/00613/C

Additional use of dwelling as tourist  
accommodation, 21 Shore Road, Peel.  
*RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.*

PA 11/00625/B

Alterations and erection of an extension to  
dwelling, Cronkbane 23 Queens Drive, Peel.  
*RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.*

PLANNING DECISIONS 11/067  
NOTIFIED

The following planning decisions had been  
notified by the Planning Office:-

PA 11/00394/B Alterations and extension to  
dwelling (Amendment to PA 10/01305/B),  
Thie Ain, Douglas Road, Peel for Mr. &  
Mrs. David Clucas. *APPROVED.*

PA 11/00369/B Replace roof slates, render  
one chimney stack and installation of two  
roof lights to dwelling 32, Patrick Street,  
Peel for Mr. Andrew John Leadley.  
*APPROVED*

APARTMENT 3 11/068  
CAPTAIN CANNONS  
HOUSE 7 MICHAEL  
STREET

The Board noted receipt of an Appeal that  
had been lodged against approval for  
additional use of a residential apartment as  
self catering holiday accommodation,  
Apartment 3 Captain Cannons House, 7  
Michael Street, Peel. Members had  
originally recommended that this application  
be rejected due to the property being used  
for holiday accommodation as it reduced the  
availability of properties for residential use.  
The Board *AGREED* to send a letter to the  
Planning Appeal Office supporting the  
Appeal.

HERITAGE HOMES 11/069  
LIMITED PLANNING  
APPEAL P A10/00544/B

The Chairman referred to with a copy of the  
notes that he had made when he had  
attended the planning appeal against  
planning application 10/00544/B. A number  
of points were raised. In his summing up  
Heritage Homes QC recommended that their  
client be granted approval as none of the

appellants had raised any valid points as to why Heritage Homes should not receive approval. The Inspectors report was awaited. The Chairman reported that there may be items contained within his report that the Commissioners may wish to challenge with the Council of Ministers. The Chairman informed Members that his main concern was the financial arrangements for the temporary sewage plant. The Chairman reported that he had been informed by Mr. McLoughlin from Heritage Homes that there was nothing in the contract for people buying the properties regarding the ongoing maintenance of the temporary sewage plant. The Chairman stated that the concern he had was in the unlikelihood of Dandara going into administration then there was potential for any future costs to be met by the public. The Chairman stated that when the Inspector did his summing up on this point he stated that the home owners would be creditors. The Chairman queried this viewpoint which was supported by Peel MHK Mr. Crookall who thought there needed be a bond in place to protect the home owners and the general public. *NOTED*

Mr. Gimbert reported that the Board needed to seek clarification in writing from Mr. Crookall, MHK that he agrees with the Chief Minister that the maximum number of properties that would be built in the West of the Island is 1000. *AGREED*

PEEL SAILING AND 11/070  
CRUISING CLUB

Members *AGREED* to a request from Peel Sailing and Cruising Club to provide £650 towards the cost of funding the 2011 Traditional Boat Weekend which would be held from 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2011.

ISLE OF MAN 11/071  
CHILDRENS CENTRE

The Board *AGREED* to a request from Grace Philips, Community Fundraiser with the Isle of Man Children’s Centre to meet with Members to discuss Children’s Week 2011. The Finance Officer undertook to speak to Ms. Philips to ascertain a suitable date and time that she would be available to meet with the Commissioners.

MANX HARRIERS 11/072

Members *NOTED* a letter of thanks that had

been received from Manx Harriers thanking them for their support in staging the Peel Hill Race on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2011.

QUEEN DIAMOND 11/073  
JUBILEE  
CELEBRATION 2012

The Board considered an email received from Mrs. Anne Craine, Secretary to the Queens Diamond Jubilee Working Group informing them that the Council of Ministers had established a working group to consider what celebrations may be appropriate for Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012. The working group would contact various local bodies to establish if they had any special arrangements in mind or had any in place to celebrate the Jubilee. Mr. Harmer reported that the Commissioners would have to start planning on how they were going to celebrate the event. The Board *AGREED* to defer the matter to allow Members time to consider ideas on how Peel would celebrate the occasion.

TYNWALD GARDEN 11/074  
PARTY

The Board received a request from the Office of the Clerk to Tynwald for one nominee to attend the annual Tynwald Garden Party that would be held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2011 at the Nunnery. Members *AGREED* that the Chairman would attend.

ONCHAN DISTRICT 11/075  
COMMISSIONERS  
CIVIC SUNDAY

Members received an invitation inviting them to Onchan Civic Sunday on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2011. The Chairman reported that he would attend the event.

STREET TRADERS 11/076  
LICENCE – MANX  
FISH, PICKLES AND  
PATE

The Board *AGREED* to a request from Mr. Anthony Barrow of Manx Fish, Pickles and Pate to renew his street traders licence. Mr. Harmer reported that the Commissioners had also received a request from Mr. Knighton who wanted to set up a catering business cooking mackerel. Mr. Knighton had been told that he would not be able to place his catering unit on Harbour Division land. Mr. Harmer informed the Board that they needed to be encouraging entrepreneurship and suggested that the Board write to Captain Best and ask him if he would be able to find a suitable location for Mr. Knighton to set up his business. *AGREED*

POPPY APPEAL 11/077

Members *AGREED* to a request from the

Royal British Legion to carry out street and house to house collections for the 2011 Poppy Appeal. The street collections would take place between the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> November 2011 and the house to house collections would take place between the 29<sup>th</sup> October and 12<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

ISLE OF MAN ARMED 11/078  
FORCES DAY

Members *NOTED* a letter from Brigadier N A Butler CBE, Chairman of the Armed Forces Committee informing them that the Isle of Man Armed Forces Day would take place on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2011. Brigadier Butler informed the Board that Central Government Office and Douglas Corporation would be flying the Armed Forces flag from 10.30a.m. Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2011 to 9.00a.m. on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2011 in support of past, present and future serving Armed Forces personnel. The Board *AGREED* to buy an Armed Forces flag to fly from the Town Hall to show their support.

MUNICIPAL SOCIETY 11/079  
ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING

The Finance Officer reported that she had received an email from Barbara Dunworth, Secretary to the Municipal Association requesting that the Board notify her of the number of people that would be attending the Municipal Association Annual General Meeting. Mr. Gimbert reported that neither of the Commissioners two representatives could attend the meeting and had passed on their apologies to Ms. Dunworth. *NOTED*

MANX WILDLIFE 11/080  
TRUST

The Board *AGREED* to a request from Duncan Bridges, Director of the Manx Wildlife Trust to erect a medium sized marquee on the grassed area in the grounds of St. Peters church on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June and Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2011 for the purpose of hosting invited guests and the Lieutenant Governor to the formal opening of the Trusts new headquarters.

PEEL CHAMBER OF 11/081  
TRADE

Mr. Gimbert reported that the Members of the Peel Chamber of Trade were very concerned about the time that was being allowed for people parking in the Market Place and Atholl Place and were pleased that it was returning to 2 hours in the Market Place and 30 minutes in Atholl Place after

public consultation.

Mr. Gimbert informed Members that he wished to express his thanks for all the work that Mrs. Atcheson from A3 Marquees and the Peel Chamber of Trade had put in to organising Peel in Motion. Mr. Gimbert expressed his concern that the Department of Tourism was instead of providing the Commissioners with a grant for £3000 towards the costs of Peel in Motion they had instead agreed to underwrite the event by £3000. Mr. Gimbert stated this was not what was originally agreed with the Board as the Department had informed the Commissioners they would give them a grant of £3000 towards the event. Members *AGREED* that a letter be sent to the Department asking them to clarify the situation.

Mr. Gimbert reported that the Chamber of Trade was currently investigating having a hamper trail which would either take place at Christmas or Hop Tu Naa which they thought would be a good event to hold to draw people into the Town.

Mr. Gimbert informed the Board that the Chamber of Trade were looking at the option of working with a new company called Pilgrim, that was looking to set up in Peel. The Chamber of Trade wished Pilgrim to develop a marketing strategy for Peel. Mr. Gimbert reported that he had met with the Directors of the company and had advised them that he would speak to the Commissioners to see if there was any funding available to employ the company under a temporary contract to promote Peel. The Board *AGREED* to look at funding the project as part of their future budgeting programme for 2012/2013.

Mr. Gimbert reported that the Chamber of Trade had asked if the front entrance columns of the Town Hall could be decorated. The Chamber had suggested having a competition for local artists and the winning design would be utilised. Members *AGREED* to advertise the competition in the next edition of the newsletter.

Mr. Gimbert informed Members that there needs to be an assessment made on whether the front entrance to the Town Hall was disable friendly. Mr. Gimbert suggested installing a door bell which disabled visitors would be able to ring to gain help to enter the building. The Board *AGREED* to ask a disability Charity to carry out an assessment to make sure that the entrance into the building was disable friendly.

Mr. Gimbert reported that Members of the Chamber of Trade had expressed concern over the Derby Road/Church Street parking permits as they were not working as they ought to do as it appeared that the residents were leaving the 11 spaces and utilising the others. The other issue that the Chamber of Trade had was that the spaces were reserved for Church Street residents 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Mr. Gimbert commented that the sign still needed to be erected, the Technical Officer informed that the sign had now been put up.

Mr. Gimbert informed Members that the Chamber of Trade had been advised that Tim Crookall, MHK had advised them that there were only two car parks, one at Fenella Beach and the other at the Creg Malin that were able to be utilised for a multi storey car park use. The Chamber of Trade were unhappy with this proposal and agreed that the best place for a multi storey car park would be in the Market Place/Michael Street. Mr. Gimbert reported as Chairman of the Chamber of Trade he had prepared a phase 1 business case via Top Deck Parking which had been forwarded to Mr. Crookall MHK with request that this proposal be investigated. The Board noted that the next meeting to discuss Peel In Motion Day was on the 24<sup>th</sup> May 2011.

LEECE MUSEUM                      11/082      Mr. Harmer requested if an in out clock could be purchased for the Leece Museum. This would enable visitors to know when the Curator was due to return if he had to leave the museum for any length of time. *NOTED*

TWITTER                      AND      11/083      Mr. Harmer informed Members that Peel

FACEBOOK

Town Commissioners were now on Face Book and Twitter and both sites were now being well utilised by members of the public.  
*NOTED*

FOOTBALL PITCH

11/084

Mr. Harmer enquired as to when the football pitch was likely to be marked out. The Technical Officer reported that he was waiting to hear back from Peel Football Club. *NOTED*

This part of the meeting ended at 8.05p.m.