GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the general meeting held in the Boardroom, Town Hall, Derby Road, Peel on 31 May 2016 at 7:00pm.

Present Mrs C. Moughtin (Chairman)

Ms H. Hannan Mr E. Convery Mr B. Heath Mr A. Jones

Apologises Mr I. Davison (Deputy Chairman)

Mr D. Lace

In attendance Mr D. Sewell (Clerk to Commissioners)

Action

CHAIRMAN'S 16/014 WELCOME The Chairman welcomed the Board to the meeting. The Chairman stated she would need to leave the meeting by 9pm and proposed Mr Jones should chair the meeting if business was not concluded by this time.

ITEM 1 MINUTES 16/015

The Board **agreed** the minutes of the meeting held on 17 May 2016. Mr Jones

proposed and Mr Heath seconded this item.

ITEM 2 MATTERS 16/016 ARISING Item 16/003 Condition of East Quay

The Town Clerk reported the Department of Infrastructure's Director of Ports Division had cancelled the meeting on the day it was to be held by email. The late cancellation and the lack of curtesy phone call had resulted in the Town Clerk and the Commissioners attending this meeting on 26 May. The Town Clerk reported he would seek to rearrange this meeting after the TT festival. The Chairman asked the Town Clerk to express the Commissioners' frustration over the late cancellation of this meeting.

Item 16/004 Regeneration Works

The Town Clerk reported the work was progressing to schedule and would shut down for TT race week. He reported the diversion signs around the road works had recently been improved to include directions

to the town centre. The Peel Chamber of Commerce had met the regeneration contractor on 26 May 2016 to discuss their issues with the regeneration works. The main issues raised by the Chamber were the absence of pedestrian and vehicle signs on Castle Street and Market Street; the slow productivity and the proposed extension of the current regeneration works along Douglas Street to the Post Office. The Town Clerk reported the Contractor had agreed to allow shops to advertise on their site boundary fences and to provide a further update at the Chamber's next meeting on 30 June 2016. Ms Hannan stated the Chamber attended meeting was well improvements were still required to the productivity and direction signs.

Item 16/011 Planning Application

The Board noted a communication stating the Commissioners did not oppose planning applications planning applications 16/00478/B, 16/00473/B, 16/00468/B, and 16/00482/B had been sent to the Department of Environment Food and Agriculture.

Item 16/011 Planning Decisions

The Board noted a communication stating the Commissioners concerns relating to building regulation control matters had been sent to the Department of Environment Food and Agriculture.

Item 16/012 Standing Orders & Local Authority Briefing

The Town Clerk proposed a meeting on 16 June 2016. The Chairman and a number of Board members were unable to attend a meeting at this time and it was proposed the meeting should take place on Monday 13 June 2016 at 7pm in the Town Hall. The Board **agreed** this date.

Item 16/012 Local Authority Transition

The Board noted the communication requesting a briefing for all Board members was sent to the Department of Infrastructure. This request was declined with a recommendation all Board members should attend the briefing to all local authority members on 27 June at the QE II School.

Item 16/012 Service of Thanksgiving to Mark Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday The Town Clerk reported he had accepted this invitation on behalf of the Chairman and requested the Chairman of the Commissioners should welcome any official visitors to Peel as part of this event. This request was being reviewed by the organisers of this event.

Item 16/012 Waste Charges EFW

The Board noted a response highlighting the Commissioners' concerns relating to the late implementation of a new charging regime had been sent to the Department of Infrastructure. In addition, the Town Clerk advised payment of invoices based on this new charge had been put on hold.

Item 16/012 Review of Tynwald Functions The Board noted the Commissioners' consultation response had been submitted.

Item 16/013 Any Other Business Application Decisions

The Board noted the applicants were advised of the Boards decision to permit Shoprite TT signage, RNLI collection; Victim Support collection; a Peel Carnival Sand Sculpture, street collection and a gazebo for the promenade kiosk were approved. The Board noted the applicant was advised his request for a Children in Need street collection during the TT festival was refused.

Item 16/013 Kerroo Coar Football Pitch The Town Clerk reported this facility could be relocated to the West View Playground. However, he had concerns relating to the breaking out of the substantial foundations associated with this equipment. Mr Jones asked the Town Clerk to raise the antisocial behaviour of youths at Kerroo Coar with the Police. The Board **agreed** this action.

Item 16/013 Highway Matters

The Board noted communication had taken place with the Police and Department of Infrastructure to resolve the problems reported by Ms Hannan.

HOUSING ITEMS

16/017 Item 3

Ms Hannan asked if Planning Application 16/00551 proposed the use of pvc windows in the conservation area. The Town Clerk reported pvc windows were proposed within this application. Mr. Jones stated the style of window proposed were suitable and pvc windows existed in neighboring properties. Ms Hannan stated the application should enhance the conservation area. Mr. Jones stated the absence of grants was a serious concern for residents seeking to improve their properties at this time. Ms Hannan and the Chairman agreed funding was required to assist residents. The Board Agreed not to oppose planning applications 16/00449, 16/00460, 16/00551 and 16/00547.

Item 4 Planning Decision Notified The Board noted planning application 16/00468/C was approved and agreed to take no further action.

RECREATION ITEMS

16/018

Item 5 Peel Beach Cross Racing 9 June 2016 The Board noted the content of the letter dated 15 May 2016 from Ramsey Motorcycle Club and **agreed** to permit the use of the town beach and the Creg Malin Car Park for this event. In addition, the Board **agreed** to support the application for £350.00 funding to support this event.

Item 6 Manx 2 Day Trial 27 &28 August 2016

The Board noted the content of the email from Mr. Temple dated 16 May 2016 and **agreed** to permit the use of the Peel Hill Quarry for this event subject to providing suitable marshalling on the access track to the Quarry.

Item 7 Annual Vision Awareness Week Commencing 13 September 2016

The Board noted the contents of the email dated 13 May 2016 from the Manx Blind Welfare Trust and **agreed** to support this event if it was located in the Creg Malin Car Park, Shoprite Car Park or the Promenade.

Item 8 Scout Leader Event May 2017
The Board noted the content of the email dated 25 May 2016 from the Western Swimming Pool and **agreed** to support the

use of Fenella Beach for a Barbeque and to discount the rates in the campsite for a group booking.

FINANCE AND GENERAL ITEMS

16/019

Item 9 Promenade Memorial Bench

The Board noted the contents of the letter dated 17 May from Mr. Cain. The Board **agreed** to approve this application for a ten year duration sponsorship of an existing bench subject to the payment of the applicable fees.

Item 10 Street Collection Motor Neurone Disease

The Board noted the content for the email dated 26 May 2016 from Miss Wade seeking permission to undertake a street collection for the Motor Neurone Disease Association during the TT festival. The Board refused this application because permission had previously been granted to another charity to collect during this period of time.

Item 11 Sand Sculpture Street Collection
The Board noted the content for the letter dated 17 May 2016 from Help for Heroes seeking permission to undertake a street collection during the TT festival. The Board refused this application because permission had previously been granted to another charity to collect during this period of time.

Item 12 Peel Sunset Bowling Club Trophies The Board noted the content of the letter dated 25 May 2016 from the Peel Sunset Bowling Club and **agreed** to provide the replica trophies requested.

Item 13 Peel Sailing and Cruising Club Trophy

The Board noted the contents of the letter dated 19 May 2016 from the Peel Sailing and Cruising Club. The Board **agreed** to provide a replacement subject to the existing being beyond repair.

ITEM 12 ANY 16/020 OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Jones stated he had received a request to reduce the number of bins on Lake and Church Lane which are permanently stored on the highway.

Ms Hannan requested the bins are emptied regularly on the Promenade and the Quay on Peel Day.

Ms Hannan asked why the cost of the campsite had increased during the TT festival. The Town Clerk reported the fees for the campsite for this year were set in 2015 and this was the peak period for the campsite. He confirmed the campsite was currently oversubscribed at this cost and the Commissioners' staff had directed visitors to the football club. Mr. Convery stated the cost had increased from £7.50 to £10 per night. This was higher than the football club which was £8 per night. Mr. Jones stated the campsite had better facilities and higher overhead costs than the temporary football club site which was set up solely for the TT. The Board agreed to review this matter at a future Board meeting.

Ms Hannan asked when the Promenade shelter opposite the Sailing Club would be reinstated. The Town Clerk reported a replacement shelter was being manufactured following the substantial storm damage it sustained in January 2016. The Board requested the early reinstatement of this facility.

The meeting ended at 7:30pm