BOARD MEETING

The MINUTES of a GENERAL MEETING held in the Board Room, Town Hall, Derby Road, Peel on Wednesday $10^{\rm th}$ December 2008 at 7.00p.m.

Present Mrs. T M Birkett (Chairman)

Mr. R Gimbert Mrs. J O'Halloran Mr. A Jones Mr. D J Lace Ms. P Hardman Mrs. C A Moughtin Mr. I Skidmore

Apologies Mr. E Beale

In attendance Mr. P G Leadley (Town Clerk)

Action

CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME	08/378	The Chairman welcomed the Press and public to the meeting and reported that the Christmas lights switching on ceremony had been a great success, the chestnut stall had raised the sum of £175.00 for the Rebecca House charity. Mr Jones wished to be associated with these remarks and in particular thanked the Town Clerk and his outdoor staff who had worked hard to ensure a successful ceremony.
MINUTES	08/379	The Minute of the meeting held on 18 th November 2008 were taken as read and <i>CONFIRMED</i> .
BALLAQUANE ROUNDABOUT	08/380	Mr. Lace referred back to Minute 08/359 and wished to indicate that the current footpath required replacement as it led to the corner of the road that provided most danger to pedestrian safety. <i>NOTED</i>
WESTERN CIVIC AMENITY SITE	08/381	Reference was made back to Minute 08/363 and RMG Mr. Gimbert indicated that a press release had not been issued with regard to the impending closure of the site for upgrading work. Mr. Lace suggested that an appropriate sign be erected when the date was known.
PANTOLOONS	08/382	Mr. Gimbert referred back to Minute 08/365 and wished to clarify that he would be willing to offer support out of his Commissioners attendance allowance as opposed to an individual personal

ISLE OF MAN GOVERNMENT REPORT	08/383	Mr. Gimbert requested that eleven copies of the Government report be obtained and that the matter be considered at some point during the new year.	PGL
SKATEBOARD PARK AND BMX TRACK	08/384	Mr. Gimbert referred back to Minute 08/360 and indicated that a sum for improvements had been suggested and recommended for consideration at the revenue budget meeting which would be held in the new year.	
SAFE GUARDING CHILDREN	08/385	The Town Clerk referred back to Minute 08/366 and indicated that he had made enquiries as to the status of the Isle of Man Safe Guarding Children Board and reported that it was a bona fide group with Superintendent Paul Cubbon as the Chairman.	
WESTERN PARTNERSHIP	08/386	Mr. Jones referred to the costs of printing the directory for the Western Partnership in the sum of £3,000 and requested that consideration be given to funding from the rates for this document. The Chairman indicated that it would have to be considered amongst other items for expenditure when the revenue budget was discussed.	
HEAD TEACHERS – PEEL SCHOOLS	08/387	The Chairman indicated that a date would need to be arranged for a meeting with the head teachers of both schools in the new year.	PGL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1985	08/388	Members noted receipt of three draft Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1985. The Board had no objection to the Order creating a reserved parking place at Tynwald Close, an Order to revoke and remove reserved parking places on sections of St. Germans Place and Westlands and an Order to remove one of two reserved parking places on a section of Rheast Bridson (Westlands), Peel. Members had no objection to the draft Orders.	
REVIEW OF LOCAL ELECTIONS	08/389	Members considered a letter from Mr. Willoughby of the Legislation and Policy Unit of the Department of Local Government and the Environment. It appeared that a number of responses had been made to the Department which provided invaluable feedback in respect of the local election process. Mr. Gimbert referred to the letter and expressed concern that the responses	PGL

from other authorities had not been published. It was AGREED that a request be made to the Department to try and obtain the responses from other authorities to the local election process.

ACTION

ENDANGERED SPECIES BILL

08/390

08/391

Consideration was given to a consultation paper prepared by the Department of Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry on endangered species. Members had no comment on the consultation document.

REVIEW OF THE CONTROL OF **EMPLOYMENT** REGULATIONS 1993

Consideration was given to a consultation RMG/PGL document issued by the Department of Trade and Industry.

Mr. Gimbert indicated that there were certain areas that required a response including paragraph 4.2 regarding the submission of supporting evidence in respect of applicants' criminal history when applying for work permits. With regard to the revocation of permits Mr. Gimbert was of the opinion that the judiciary should be the only body able to revoke such permits. The provision of supporting evidence by individuals was not favoured as such information could be falsely manufactured. With regard to the exception of key employments Mr. Gimbert suggested that all parties should be deemed innocent unless proven guilty and that there should not be an assumption of guilt with regard to certain professions. In conclusion Mr. Gimbert enquired as to whether the Department would be looking to accept biometric identity cards for sensitive positions and would employees on the Island have to comply. It was AGREED that Mr. Gimbert liaise with the Town Clerk over suitable draft response to the consultation document.

VIKINGS OF MAN 08/392 Consideration was given to a letter from Mr. Roy PGL Baker, Chairman of Vikings of Man concerning the use of the overflow campsite field owned by the Department of Education during the period 26th June to 13th July 2009. A number of Vikings would be visiting the Island and it was indicated that they wished to use the field for public shows and demonstrations of Viking life. A full event management plan was in place and appropriate public liability insurance would be available. The Board had no objection to this event subject to the Department of Education agreeing use of its land.

PORT ERIN CAROL 08/393 SERVICE

Members noted the receipt of an invitation from Port Erin Commissioners to attend the annual carol service on 18th December 2008 at 7.00p.m. Mr. Lace indicated that he would attend.

PLANNING 08/394 APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT

The following planning applications were PGL considered as follows:

PA 08/01980/B Erection of two storey extension 10 Willow Close, Ballawattleworth Estate, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

PA 08/01052/R Proposed first floor extension, Crofton, Tynwald Road, Peel. The Town Clerk indicated an objection had been submitted by Mr. & Mrs. Jones of Sunnyside, Tynwald Road, Peel to this application and after consideration the Board was of a similar view in that the proposed plans would interfere with Mr. & Mrs. Jones's privacy. It was agreed to object to the application on this basis.

08/02013/B

Installation of a replacement front door, 5 Stanley Road, Peel. RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

08/02014/B

Installation of replacement windows and door to front elevation, 6 Cowley Terrace, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/010260/B

Alterations, erection of extensions to store and amended car parking arrangement, Shoprite Derby Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02061/B

Demolition of single storey extension and alterations to rear elevation, 6-8 Michael Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02063/B

Installation of a replacement shop front, 6-8 Michael Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02070/B

Installation of replacement windows, 19 Atholl Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02077/B

Rebuilding of existing wall, 6 Glenfaba Road,

Peel. RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

08/02082/B

Erection of a detached annex to provide ancillary ACTION accommodation, 48 Derby Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02086/B

Erection of a general practice surgery with associated parking, land adjacent to the Corrin Home, Albany Close, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02087/B

Erection of a two storey extension to rear elevation, 3 Orry Lane, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02098/R

Erection of a smoking shelter to rear of premises (amended site to PA 07/01403B) Royal Hotel, Atholl Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/01794/B

Erection of an entrance canopy and smoking shelter, Whitehouse Hotel, 2 Tynwald Road (readvertised due to amended plans received). *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02108/D

Erection of advertising signage, Peel Association Football Club, Douglas Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02131/B

Creation of patio doorways and patio areas, Ground Floor Apartments on Plots 152, 153, 158, 159, 164, 165, 168 and 169 Wood View Court, Reayrt Ny Keylley Ballawattleworth, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02139/B

Alterations and erection of an extension, 8 Market Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

08/02142/B

Erection of a Juliet balcony to rear elevation, Elm Bank Stanley Terrace, Christian Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*

PLANNING DECISIONS NOTIFIED 08/395

The following decisions had been notified by the Planning Committee:-

PA 08/01397/B Erection of two dwellings Old Smokehouse Yard, Factory Lane, Peel for Mr. Stuart Blackley. *APPROVED*

ACTION

PA 08/01744/B Installation of replacement windows to rear elevation 28 Douglas Street, Peel for Mr. J Barber. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01940/B Installation of replacement windows to front elevation 6 Market Place, Peel for Mr. & Mrs. Shaw. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01942/B Installation of replacement front door, 6 Market Place, Peel for Mr. & Mrs. Shaw. *APPROVED*

PA 08/019829/D Approval for the erection of illuminated signage at the Co-op Food Store, 13 Michael Street, Peel under the Control of Advertisements Regulations 2005. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01798/B Replacement shop front Manx Cooperative Store, 13 Michael Street, Peel. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01644/B Installation of replacement windows and front door 5 Mona Street, Peel for Helen Watson. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01802/B Erection of an extension of access ramp to front elevation Centenary Centre, Atholl Street, Peel for Mr. E Leece (Director). *APPROVED*

PA 08/01925/B Installation of replacement front door and window 5 Lyndale Avenue, Peel for Mr. & Mrs. Simons. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01922/B Erection of conservatory to rear elevation 14 Ballatessan Meadow, Peel for Mr. & Mrs. T Rattray. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01933/B Removal of chimney 8 Albany Road, Peel for Mr. M L Clarke. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01904/B Alterations and extension to rear elevation 6 Church Lane, Peel for Mrs. A J Jones. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01369/B Installation of roof light and dormer window (amended plans received) 6 Castle Street, Peel for Mrs. M J Platt and Mr. I B McFarland. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01725/B Erection of a conservatory to rear ACTION elevation, 2 Close Cronk, Peel for Mr. J Dech. *APPROVED*

PA 08/01939/B Installation of replacement windows to rear and side elevations 6 Market Place, Peel for Mr. & Mrs. Shaw. *APPROVED*

PA08/729/B ON 08/396 APPEAL Members noted receipt of the decision of the appointed person in respect of an Appeal with regard to the alterations, creation of windows and dormer windows at 9 Ballaterson Crescent, Peel for Mr. & Mrs. Crennell. It was noted that the Appeal be allowed and the Planning Committee's decision to grant planning permission be reversed and that planning permission be thereby refused. *NOTED*

PLANNING 08/397 ENFORCEMENT NOTICE Members noted receipt of an Enforcement Notice on the owner of Heathfield Yard, Patrick Street, Peel with regard to a breach of planning control relating to the siting of five containers within the yard contrary to planning control. It was noted that the Enforcement Notice required removal of the containers from the site by 16th January 2009.

MEMORIAL SEAT 08/398

Consideration was given to a letter from a Mr. G PGL Sutton of 22 Barclay Street, Douglas in which he requested permission for a memorial seat in memory of his late wife Maureen Ann Sutton to be placed on the headlands. *AGREED*

CHRISTMAS 08/399 MUSIC The Town Clerk referred to an e-mail he had received from an Elizabeth Corlett concerning the playing of Christmas piped music in Michael Street during December. Mrs. Corlett wished to complain on behalf of her mother who lived in Michael Street and had enquired as to whether anyone had consulted the residents over the playing of Christmas music. The Town Clerk had responded to say that complimentary remarks had been received over the Christmas music which provided for a more festive air to the shopping area of the Town. The Board confirmed that it wished to continue with the Christmas music during the lead up to Christmas.

PEEL CARNIVAL	08/400	Consideration was given to a letter from Mr. Ian Baker, Chairman of Peel Carnival Committee who wished to thank the Commissioners for their sponsorship of the event in 2008. Mr. Baker wished to meet with the Board to discuss possible support for the 2009 carnival. It was <i>AGREED</i> that a date be arranged in due course.	ACTION
FIRE WORK DISPLAY	08/401	The Town Clerk referred to a complimentary email received from Helen Caley concerning her appreciation of the firework display on 5 th November. <i>NOTED</i>	
STREET LIGHTING	08/402	Mr. Lace wished to raise concerns over the fact that the Town's street lights appeared to be left on for significant periods during daylight hours. It was noted that he had contacted the Manx Electricity Authority who had indicated that testing was being carried out but Mr. Lace was concerned at the length of time the lights were left on thereby increasing electrical consumption costs to the Town. It was <i>AGREED</i> that the matter be investigated.	PGL
SOLAR PANELS	08/403	Mrs. Moughtin referred to the discussions taking place over the provision of solar panels for local authority housing and the fact that smaller properties were not to be included as being too costly. It appeared that the Department was contradicting itself having regard to a recent press article from Mr. Rowaichi, Building Control Officer at the Department which supported solar panels for properties. It was indicated that with the design of the four bungalows at North View currently under consideration that solar panels should form part of such a design brief. Mr. Gimbert referred to the matter and suggested that the Technical Officer investigate in greater detail the circumstances surrounding solar heating for smaller units and report back to the second meeting in January 2009 with his findings. <i>AGREED</i>	JTQ

WESTLANDS 08/404 At the request of Mr. Jones it was AGREED that PGL the Minutes of the meetings of the Westlands Committee be copied to Members for information purposes.

This part of the meeting ended at 7.50p.m.