

# GENERAL MEETING

The MINUTES of a GENERAL MEETING held in the Board Room, Town Hall, Derby Road, Peel on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2010 at 7.00p.m.

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

In attendance            Mr. P G Leadley (Town Clerk)

Action

CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME	09/507	The Chairman welcomed the Press and public to the meeting and referred to the successful achievers reception held the previous week. In this respect he read out a letter of thanks from Doctor Christian who had received an illuminated scroll marking his contribution to Peel over many years. The Chairman had also attended the Homeless Service at St. Germans Cathedral the previous week.	
MINUTES	09/508	The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2010 were taken as read and <i>CONFIRMED</i> .	
STREET LIGHTING	09/509	The Town Clerk referred back to Minute 09/490 and indicated that both the Technical Officer and the Town Clerk had met with a lighting engineer from the Manx Electricity Authority to discuss the proposed switch off of street lights from 2.30a.m. It was noted that the Manx Electricity Authority would look at two options namely the turning off of all lights and the retention of certain main street lights within the Town. The Town Clerk indicated that a proposal would be forwarded by the Manx Electricity Authority for consideration shortly. The matter was discussed further by Members and at this stage it was suggested that a trial run of all lights being switched off at 2.30a.m. be undertaken.	PGL/TQ

The Town Clerk referred to a quotation received from the Manx Electricity Authority to install a new street light at the Mews Cottages, Factory Lane for £3,407.50. It was *AGREED* to proceed

with this new light.

OAK ROAD	09/510	Reference was made back to Minute 09/491 and it was indicated that a meeting with the Department of Transport over traffic and highway matters in the Town was required and that such matters should also include discussion on HGV routes through Peel.	
SCHOOL BUS STOP – ROXWELL TERRACE	09/511	Reference was made back to Minute 09/495 and Members noted receipt of a copy letter sent to Mr. Davis by Mr. Kinrade, Head of Operations at the Public Transport Division concerning the school bus stop. It was noted that the Public Transport Division and the Department of Transport would meet to find a solution to the problem.	
PA 08/1620/B ON APPEAL	09/512	<p>The Town Clerk referred back to Minute 09/501 regarding the recent Appeal decision in favour of Shoprite Isle of Man Limited for alterations, erection of extension to store and amended parking arrangements at its Shoprite Store, Derby Road, Peel.</p> <p>The Town Clerk indicated that Cameron Hall was currently preparing a draft Heads of Agreement after which a meeting would take place between the Commissioners and Shoprite Limited.</p>	
FACTORY LANE	09/513	The Town Clerk referred back to Minute 09/502 and indicated that the contractors would be unable to extend their works beyond the 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2010 without an additional road closure Order. In this respect and having regard to the approaching TT period it was <i>AGREED</i> that a letter be sent to the Department of Transport indicating that the Commissioners would not support a further extension of the road closure Order if sought beyond the 14 <sup>th</sup> May. It was further <i>AGREED</i> that the Technical Officer contact Mr. Blackley to obtain a schedule of works and his anticipated completion date.	Letter sent
MALEW CIVIC SUNDAY	09/514	Members noted receipt of an invitation to the Malew Parish Commissioners Annual Service to be held on Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2010 at 3.00p.m. It was <i>AGREED</i> that the Vice-Chairman Mr. Harmer attend the Service.	PGL
MEMORIAL SEAT	09/515	Consideration was given to a letter from Mrs. B A Shimmin of 30 Shore Road, Peel who wished to place a memorial seat in memory of her brother	Letter sent

who died in November 2009 on Peel Hill. Members noted that there were an excess of memorial seats on the hill and after discussion it was suggested that Mrs. Shimmin be offered a site for a memorial seat on the headlands.

ISLE OF MAN CHILDRENS CENTRE	09/516	Consideration was given to a request to undertake a charity bucket collection in Peel on Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2010 on behalf of the Isle of Man Children's Centre. <i>AGREED</i>	PGL
EASTER ATHLETICS	09/517	Consideration was given to a letter from Mr. Jackson on behalf of Manx Harriers with regard to the Easter Festival of Athletics. It was noted that the Peel Hill Race would take place on Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2010 and it was <i>AGREED</i> that permission be granted for this event. It was further <i>AGREED</i> that the portaloos be made available alongside the House of Manannan.	PGL
PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT	09/518	<p>Consideration was given to the following planning applications:-</p> <p>PA 10/00017/B Alterations and erection of an extension to dwelling house, Perwick, Peveril Road, Peel. <i>RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.</i></p> <p>PA 10/00027/B Installation of replacement windows, Peel Youth Centre, Shore Road, Peel. <i>RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.</i></p> <p>Members also noted receipt of an objection by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Corden of 21 Bridge Street, Peel in respect of planning application 09/02122/B in respect of 23 Bridge Street, Peel by Mr. B Mellor. <i>NOTED</i></p>	Letter sent
PLANNING DECISIONS NOTIFIED	09/519	<p>The following planning decisions had been notified by the Planning Committee:-</p> <p>PA 09/01931/B Alterations and extension to provide new church hall in rear garden, Grace Baptist Church, Market Street, Peel for Grace Baptist Church. <i>APPROVED</i></p> <p>PA 09/01937/B Erection of a conservatory to rear elevation, 13 Close Corlett, Peel for Mr. Edward Johnson. <i>APPROVED</i></p> <p>PA 09/01913/B Erection of a detached garage, 14 The Links, Peel for Hartford Homes Limited. <i>APPROVED</i></p>	

PA 09/01877/B Erection of a detached single storey self contained unit within grounds of existing dwelling, 14 The Links, Peel for Hartford Homes Limited. *REFUSED*

PA 09/00521/B ON APPEAL 09/520 Members noted receipt of additional information that had been discussed at the Appeal hearing in respect of forty three new dwellings by Heritage Homes Limited held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2010 at which Mrs. Birkett and the Town Clerk had attended. It was noted that during the Appeal hearing a query had arisen over the 6,000 new properties to be built on the Island under the Strategic Plan and whether this figure was a minimum or a maximum. It was noted that at a recent sitting of the Keys the Chief Minister had referred to the Strategic Plan and indicated that 6,000 properties was a maximum number.

It was noted that the decision of the independent Appeals Inspector was awaited.

TESCO STORES LIMITED PA 09/00301/B 09/521 Members noted receipt of a letter from the Chief Secretary's Office which indicated that the Inquiry into the Tesco planning application would commence on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010 in the Garden Room, Sefton Hotel, Promenade, Douglas. It was noted that no Member would attend the hearing.

HOUSING (FLATS) REGULATIONS 1982 09/522 Members noted receipt of a copy letter from the Environmental Health Officer addressed to Mr. & Mrs. Chapman regarding the condition of Flat 1, 31 Michael Street, Peel which was in need of remedial works to resolve the damp problem. *NOTED*

Members also noted a letter from the Environmental Health Officer regarding damp problems at Castle Apartments, 40 Castle Street, Peel. It was noted that the landlord had been given seven days to arrange an inspection of the flats within the building. *NOTED*

BUILDING CONTROL ACT 1991 09/523 Members noted receipt of a letter from Mr. Blacker, Environmental Health Officer regarding the poor state of repair of 18 Bridge Street, Peel which had been sent to the owners Mr. & Mrs. Heaton from Kent. It was noted that a three month period had been given for the necessary remedial works to be carried out and completed. *NOTED*

BUS NETWORK REVIEW	09/524	Members noted that the Bus Network Review Consultation document had been issued on 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2010. It was <i>AGREED</i> that it be copied to Members and that a date be arranged with Mr. Kinrade of the Public Transport Division in due course.	PGL
MANX FLOWER FESTIVAL	09/525	The Town Clerk referred to a letter from the Methodist Church with regard to the Manx Flower Festival to be held between 4 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2010. The Commissioners had <i>AGREED</i> to support the event and it was decided that the church members be asked to arrange the floral display within the Chapel.	Letter sent
MANX FOUNDATION FOR THE PHYSICALLY DISABLED	09/526	Consideration was given to a request from the Manx Foundation for the Physically Disabled to hold a sponsored sports themed event starting in Kirk Michael and proceeding along the main road to Peel on 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2010. The Police had been consulted and permission obtained and it was <i>AGREED</i> that the event be approved.	Letter sent
MODEL T FORD EVENT	09/527	Approval was given for an event to be held on 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2010 involving the visit of thirty model T Ford cars to Peel. <i>AGREED</i>	Letter sent
WESTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM	09/528	The Town Clerk indicated that Inspector Britton had been offered a new post of Operational Support Unit Inspector and would leave the Western Neighbourhood Policing Team on 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2010. It was noted that Inspector Will Campbell would become the new Inspector at Peel Police Station and it was <i>AGREED</i> that a letter of thanks be sent to Inspector Britton for all his hard work over the past two years.	Letter sent
COMMISSIONERS POLICY	09/529	Mr. Jones wished to advise Members that he intended to place a Notice of Motion for consideration at the next Commissioners meeting regarding a draft policy on communication with the Press which he had prepared. Reference was made to the Government Code in this respect and it was <i>AGREED</i> that the relevant section be forwarded to Members for consideration.	AJ
SKATEBOARD PARK	09/530	Mrs. O'Halloran referred to the Skateboard Park and the floodlights which were no longer operable due to earlier vandalism. Discussion ensued over the upgrading of the skateboard park and the suggestion that if the lights were to be replaced then the youth of the Town would need to take	

responsibility for the skateboard park infrastructure to ensure that damage to the floodlights and other items of equipment did not take place. The Chairman referred to a recent site visit at the skateboard park and indicated that the possible improvements could involve digging out the ground around the ramps and laying a layer of cement to improve the situation. It was noted that the matter would be referred back to the sub-committee for consideration.

PROPOSED  
SEWAGE  
TREATMENT  
PLANT

09/531 The Chairman referred to the item currently on the PGL  
“In Committee” agenda concerning the proposed  
sewage treatment plant for Peel and wished to  
discuss the matter in public. Mrs. Moughtin and  
Mr. Lace indicated that the matter should remain in  
private but if it were to be discussed in public it  
should be listed as an agenda item for the next  
meeting. It was also noted that a copy of the  
Department’s response to Mr. David Jones may be  
available at that time. *AGREED*

This part of the meeting ended at 8.10p.m.

