# **GENERAL MEETING**

The MINUTES of a GENERAL MEETING held in the Boardroom, Town Hall, Derby Road, Peel on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at 7.00p.m.

| Present   | Mr. E C Beale (Chairman) |
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|           | Mr. N Cushing            |
|           | Mr. I G Davison          |
|           | Mr. R K Harmer           |
|           | Mr. A Jones              |
|           | Mr. A Kaighin            |
|           | Mr. D J Lace             |
|           | Mrs. C A Moughtin        |
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| Apologies | Mrs. J O'Halloran        |
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In attendance Mr. P G Leadley (Town Clerk)

Action

| CHAIRMAN'S<br>WELCOME    | 12/087 | The Chairman welcomed Members to the second meeting of June 2012.   |     |
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| MINUTES                  | 12/088 | The Minutes of the meeting held on $5^{\text{th}}$ June 2012 were taken as read and <i>CONFIRMED</i> .  |     |
| MICHAEL STREET           | 12/089 | Mr. Davison referred back to Minute 12/069 and reported that a price was still awaited for the cost of cotton bunting. <i>NOTED</i>   | IGD |
| COMMISSIONERS<br>SURGERY | 12/090 | Mr. Cushing referred back to Minute 12/073 and confirmed that he had emailed the outcome of the previous month's surgery to Members.  |     |
| PEEL BEACH               | 12/091 | The Town Clerk referred back to Minute 12/075 and reported that the Technical Officer had made further contact with Port St. Mary Commissioners. It was noted that they had purchased a second hand beach cleaning machine but currently this required repair prior to being used on the beach. | TQ  |
|                          |        | Port St. Mary Commissioners had arranged<br>to provide a demonstration to other<br>interested local authorities and it was noted<br>that the Technical Officer would attend to  |     |

assess the value of the machine and enquire as to a possible rental arrangement for use on Peel Beach.

- **RAMSEY ROAD** 12/092 The Town Clerk referred back to Minute DEVELOPMENT 12/076 and indicated that he had spoken to Miss Chance, Planning Enforcement Officer and had been advised that the Planning Department had obtained legal advice regarding the McLeod's Field development. Miss Chance had stated that the development had not followed the planning approval. The advice was currently being assessed and Miss Chance had indicated that a letter would be forwarded to interested parties including the Commissioners in due course.
- The Town Clerk referred back to Minute LOCAL AUTHORITY 12/093 REGIONAL 12/084 and referred to a letter from Mr. Ronan, MHK Member with responsibility MEETINGS for local authorities dated 5<sup>th</sup> June 2012. Mr. Ronan had indicated that following the regional meetings he intended to meet further with all twenty four local authorities on the Island in the coming weeks to provide an opportunity to discuss issues that might be raised regarding the structure of local government. Noting that the Board had already met with Mr. Ronan previously it was felt that there would be no need to meet with Mr. Ronan.
- POST BOX 12/094 Reference was made back to Minute 12/072 and it was noted that no further progress had been made on the replacement post box for Derby Road. Mr. Lace indicated that a further post box would also be provided in the area near to Bluebell Close.
- BOWLING GREEN 12/095 Consideration was given to the current PGL state of repair of the Commissioners bowling green. It was noted that the wooden channels surrounding the green were in need of repair and the Town Clerk advised that the Technical Officer had estimated the improvements to repair the green at approximately £6,000 including labour. It was *AGREED* that this matter be considered as a budget item for the financial year 2013/14.

# PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT

12/096 The following planning applications were Letter sent considered as follows:-

## 12/00762/B

Erection of a pair of semi-detached dwellings with integral garages to replace existing dwelling and garage, 29 Albany Road, Peel. Concerns were voiced over this planning application. Mrs. Moughtin indicated that she objected to the demolition of a property within the Conservation Area which held architectural merit. Mr. Cushing referred to the proposed size of the garage which was under the Isle of Man permitted developments guide lines for garages. On that basis only one parking space was provided and the Town and Country Planning Act permitted developments with two spaces per property. It was suggested that the Planners should follow the recommendations of the Isle of Man Strategic Plan which required three spaces for a four bedroomed property. Mr. Cushing also voiced concerns that Albany Road was a distributor road and currently the property had vehicular access onto the Westlands side road. The proposal for two new vehicular entrances onto Albany Road was opposed and having regard to network planning guidelines that frontage access should discouraged it was agreed that the Commissioners RECOMMEND REFUSAL

## 12/0794/B

Installation of an external air source heat pump unit and increase in boundary wall height (partial retrospective), Westcliff, Victoria Terrace, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL* 

## 12/00628/C

Change of use of ground floor of dwelling as a recording studio, The Old Bakery, 4 Factory Lane, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL* 

### 12/00803/B

Removal of an existing stone wall and replace with fence and gate, 19 Bridge Street, Peel. RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

## 12/00809/B

Proposed erection of an industrial vehicle storage/workshop unit, Industrial Plot at Close Chairn, Peel. Members considered this application and having regard to the condition of the access road and subject to access being via the former railway line in front of the Power Station it was *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

12/097The following planning decisions were<br/>notified by the Planning Department:-

# 12/00638/B

Demolition of existing single storey extension and erection of a replacement single storey extension with roof terrace over, Belle Vue House, Belle Vue, Peel for Mr Peter James Michael Hollingworth. *APPROVED* 

# 12/00669/B

Erection of a first floor extension over existing garage 4 Ballagyr Park, Peel for Mr. & Mrs. Colin Gilbert. *APPROVED* 

## 12/00652/B

Installation of a replacement front door 2 Derby Road, Peel for Mrs. Olwen Watterson. *APPROVED* 

## 12/00656/C

Additional use of apartment as tourist accommodation Garden Flat, 5 Marine Parade, Peel for Ms. C Kermode Clague & Ms L Kermode. *APPROVED* 

## 12/00666/A

Approval in principle for the erection of a dwelling and garage land adjacent to Shenndeeagh, Ballaquane Road, Peel for Mrs. Pauline Margaret Oliver. *APPROVED* 

### 12/00697/B

Amalgamation of existing café and shop to form a restaurant including the installation of replacement windows 12 Atholl Place and 2 Christian Street, Peel for Zubeyde

## PLANNING 12 DECISIONS NOTIFIED

ARMED FORCES DAY 12/098 Members noted receipt of a letter from PGL Brigadier Butler, Chairman of the Armed Forces Day Committee which indicated that the Isle of Man Armed Forces Day would take place on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2012. It was noted that Central Government would fly the Armed Forces Flag for the week 23<sup>rd</sup> June to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012 and it was also *AGREED* to fly the flag from the Town Hall.

- DERBY ROAD CAR 12/099 Members noted receipt of confirmation PARK from Isle of Man Enterprises plc indicating that Shoprite would cover the full costs associated with the erection and future maintenance and power supply to the additional street light column in the Commissioners section of the Shoprite car park Derby Road. *NOTED*
- FLAG DAY12/100Consideration was given to a request from<br/>PGL<br/>the Children's Centre to hold a street<br/>collection in Peel on Viking Longboat<br/>Race Day. Mrs. Moughtin referred to the<br/>charitable collection undertaken by the<br/>Longboat Race organisers on that day.<br/>Provided the Quay area was avoided by the<br/>Children's Centre it was AGREED that the<br/>collection could take place. The Town<br/>Clerk undertook to liaise with Mr. Lee of<br/>the Longboat Committee accordingly.
- PARTNERSHIP AND 12/101The Chairman indicated that he had with the Town Clerk and Mr. Jones attended a EFFICIENCIES IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR recent presentation by the Department of Infrastructure with regard to a presentation by iESE Limited on partnerships and efficiencies in the public sector. The presentation attended by a number of other local authorities centred on refuse collection and disposal partnerships. Mr. Jones indicated that Central Government's drive to encourage local authorities partnerships should be supported.

Arising therefrom the Town Clerk referred to a letter received from the Chief Executive of Onchan Commissioners dated 18<sup>th</sup> June which referred to partnerships and suggested that the possibility of local authorities undertaking some shared duties could be considered. Members supported this viewpoint and it was *AGREED* that the issue be discussed in greater detail later in the year when the long term policy objective meeting was held.

Mr. Cushing and Mr. Davison left the meeting temporarily at 7.40p.m.

- WESTERN CIVIC 12/102 Consideration was given to a proposal that AMENITY SITE Mrs. O'Halloran be appointed as the Commissioners representative on the Western Civic Amenity Site Committee in place of Mr. Lace. AGREED
- SUPPLEMENTAL12/103Members noted receipt of the secondVALUATION LISTsupplemental valuation list for 2012.
- RATING OBJECTION 12/104 Consideration was given to a rating objection submitted by Ms. McCudden of 23 Raad Bridjeen, Rearyt ny Cronk, Peel for a temporary 15% reduction in rates due to ongoing building works. *NOTED*
- 12/105**McGILLS** Discussion ensued over a licence application made in respect of McGill's RESTAURANT Restaurant which had been advertised in the local Press. Mrs. Moughtin indicated that the publicans had no objection to a restaurant licence application but concerns had been voiced over an application for an It was noted that Police on licence. Constable Bradford would meet the licensees to discuss the matter and the Board had no comment to make.
- SCOPE OF<br/>GOVERNMENT12/106The Town Clerk referred to an independent<br/>report to the Council of Ministers entitled<br/>"A Review of the Scope of Government in<br/>the Isle of Man". It was AGREED that the<br/>matter be listed as an agenda item for<br/>discussion at the next meeting.
- TOWN SIGNS12/107Mr. Lace referred to the welcome to PeelPGLand 30mph signs and indicated that on the<br/>main Douglas Road the hedge had grown<br/>to such an extent as to mask the sign. It<br/>was AGREED to request the Department of<br/>Infrastructure Highways Section to cut<br/>back the hedge accordingly.

Mr. Lace also referred to the gully along West Quay at the bottom of Peel Hill and the Town Clerk confirmed that it was on the works list for cutting back.

The Town Clerk advised that weed spraying would commence later that week and Mr. Kaighin suggested that due to the extent of the weeds growing around the Town that the grass cutting programme be delayed one day per week to enable weed spraying to be tackled in a pro-active manner. *AGREED* 

JUBILEE BEACON 12/108 Mr. Harmer referred to the lighting of the Jubilee Diamond Celebration beacon on Peel Hill and wished to extend his thanks to the assistance of Mr. Shakespeare on behalf of the Vikings.of Mann

> The Chairman indicated that he had attended the lighting ceremony and wished to record his appreciation of the significant involvement of the Commissioners staff and the Technical Officer in arranging this event.

This part of the meeting ended at 8.15p.m.