

# GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the general meeting held in the Boardroom, Town Hall, Derby Road, Peel on 21 June 2016 at 7:00pm.

Present                    Mr I. Davison (Deputy Chairman)  
                                 Ms H. Hannan  
                                 Mr E. Convery  
                                 Mr B. Heath  
                                 Mr A. Jones  
                                 Mr D. Lace (attended at 7:14pm)

Apologise                Mrs C. Moughtin (Chairman)

In attendance           Mr D. Sewell (Clerk to Commissioners)

## Action

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| DEPUTY<br>CHAIRMAN'S<br>WELCOME | 16/021 | The Deputy Chairman welcomed the Board to the meeting and gave the Chairman's apologise. |
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| ITEM 1 MINUTES | 16/022 | The Deputy Chairman requested confirmation of the minutes. Ms Hannan stated in Item 16/017 on page 4 she had highlighted the absence of grants and not Mr Jones. Mr Jones supported this change. The Board <b>agreed</b> the minutes of the meeting held on 31 May 2016. Mr Jones proposed and Ms Hannan seconded this item. |
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| ITEM 2 MATTERS<br>ARISING | 16/023 | Item 16/003 Condition of East Quay<br>The Town Clerk reported he was meeting the Director of Ports and the Department member for Ports to discuss the Commissioners' development proposal on the Quayside on 24 June and he would raise this matter with the Department of Infrastructure. |
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Item 16/013 Kerroo Coar Football Pitch  
The Town Clerk reported the foundations to the posts were too substantial to permit their removal without damaging the astro turf. Instead he proposed the removal of the bolted down metal goal frame and replacement with metal fencing panel. This would allow the reinstatement of the goals if the problem was resolved through police

monitoring of this location or the installation of younger children's play equipment in the fenced off area. Ms Hannan stated it was a shame to remove this facility. Mr Heath and Mr Convery agreed this situation needed to be monitored. The Board **agreed** the approach proposed by the Town Clerk

Item 16/017 Planning Application

The Board noted a communication stating the Commissioners did not oppose planning applications planning applications 16/00449, 16/00460, 16/00551 and 16/00547 had been sent to the Department of Environment Food and Agriculture.

Item 16/018 Peel Beach Cross Racing 9 June 2016

The Board noted the communication supporting this event had been sent in.

Item 16/018 Manx Two Day Trial 27 & 28 August 2016

The Board noted the communication approving the use of Peel Hill Quarry subject to the provision of method statements to safely manage pedestrian access routes during this event had been sent.

Item 16/018 Annual Vision Awareness Week Commencing 13 September

The Board noted the communication supporting this event and proposing the Peel Promenade, Creg Malin Car Park and Shoprite Car Park as the location to host this event had been sent.

Item 16/018 Scout Leader Event May 2017

The Board noted the communication offering Fenella Beach for Barbeques and offering a group discount at the campsite subject to the numbers attending had been sent.

Item 16/019 Promenade Memorial Bench

The Board noted the communication approving up to 10 years of sponsorship of a Promenade bench had been sent to the applicant.

Item 16/019 Street Collection Motor Neurone Disease

The Board noted the communication refusing the street collection during the 2016 TT festival was sent to the applicant.

Item 16/019 Street Collection Help for Heroes

The Board noted the sand sculpture was advised his street collection application for Help for Heroes during the 2016 TT festival was refused.

Item 16/019 Peel Bowling Club Trophies

The Board noted the communication approving the supply of 12 replica trophies was sent to the Peel Sunset Bowling Club.

Item 16/019 Peel Sailing and Cruising Club Trophy

The Board noted the communication approving the renovation of the Peel Sailing and Cruising Club trophy was sent.

Item 16/020 Lake and Church Lane Bins

The Town Clerk reported the Commissioners did not own any suitable land in this area to create a communal bin store. This had resulted in residents storing their bins at the current location in front of the derelict house which was the best option at this time.

Item 16/020 Campsite Fees

The Town Clerk reported the campsite fees were £7.50 per person per night during the TT festival if the camper paid in advance, in full, for their pitch. However, if they either paid on the day or had only paid the minimum deposit they were charged £10 per person per night when they paid in the TT festival. The Town Clerk advised the TT festival was the busiest time at the purpose built campsite and demand outstripped availability. In addition, the staffing and operation costs increased during this time period. These fees compared favourably with the lower overhead temporary campsites established St John's football club who were charging £10 per person per night. Mr Convery advised the camping fees at Peel Football Club were actually £10 and not £8 as reported at the last meeting. Mr

Lace stated if you book early and pay in full for a longer duration the costs are offset against cheaper travel costs. The Deputy Chairman highlighted the campsite facilities had a three star rating and that the Commissioners had increased profitability of the campsite without increasing fees. He believed there were further opportunities which could increase capacity in the campsite subject to improving the toilet/shower block facilities which was planned for later this year. Mr Convery asked if we had received any complaints this year. The Town Clerk reported he had received one complaint relating to the costs and the condition of the temporary toilet facilities in the extended field. Mr Heath proposed the installation of WIFI. Ms Hannan confirmed the football club offered WIFI. Mr Heath stated there was a number of ways of providing this facility and this should be investigated. The Board **agreed** the lead members for Leisure should assess the installation of WIFI at the campsite.

Mr Convery gave his apologies for the forthcoming local authority transition meeting.

Ms Hannan asked how many shelters would be installed on Peel Promenade. The Town Clerk reported there would be two this summer and three in total later in the year.

## HOUSING ITEMS

16/024

Item 3 Planning Applications for Comment  
The Town Clerk reported three applications were of particular interest. These were the conversion of a rear annex into a tourist flat on Victoria Terrace which could increase parking, the change in colour of roof tiles in Derby Drive and replacement hardwood windows in Church Lane. The Board welcomed the use of wooden window frames in the conservation area. Mr. Heath stated the rear annex on Victoria terrace was already being used as a separate rental property and this should not create a problem. Mr. Jones stated the roofing tiles were on a rear annex and would not be intrusive. The Board agreed not to oppose planning applications 16/0564 18 Stanley Road, Peel; 16/0563 2 Mountain View, Peel; 16/0566 Bayview Flat, 3 Victoria Terrace

(Change of Use), Peel; 16/0580 5 Derby Drive, Peel 16/0584 12 Church Lane , Peel 16/0598 Greenbank 11 Tynwald Rod, Peel 16/0606 4 Albany Road, Peel 16/0608 Corrin Memorial Home, Derby Road, Peel, 16/0625 4 Fuschia Close, Reayrt Ny Keyley; 16/0629 3 Mourne View, Peel and 16/0449 13 Shore Road, Peel (amended Plans).

#### Item 4 Planning Decision Notified

The Board noted planning application 16/00325/B, 16/00482/B, 16/00473/B and 16/00460/B was approved and **agreed** to take no further action.

#### Item 5 Planning Application 16/00577 Objection

The Board noted the content of Mr. Canipa's objection letter dated 14 June 2016. The Town Clerk reported the Commissioners owned all the land in the application which was being used for the construction of the building and associated car parking. Mr. Canipa did have rights of access over the land which according the Commissioners' records were 5 metres from the rear face of his building and 5 metres from the kerb line at the rear of the Department of Economic Development units. The Architect who submitted the planning application was advised within his commission to protect these existing rights of access. The Town Clerk believes a discrepancy existing within the plans showing access this related to the location of the kerb line shown on the plan and the interpretation of the land ownership records by the Department of Economic development in their letter to Mr. Canipa. These are not material planning considerations however, they would require resolution before construction takes place should planning consent be granted.

#### RECREATION ITEMS

16/025

#### Item 6 Yn Chruinnaght 14 July 2016

The Board noted the content of the email dated 25 May 2016 from Yn Chruinnaght. Mr. Jones and Mr. Convery were supportive of providing financial support to this event. The Deputy Chairman and Mr. Lace proposed the funding support should be increase to £350 for this event which celebrates Manx culture. The Board **agreed** to provide £350 worth of support to this

event and to seek acknowledgement of this support within their programme.

Item 7 Onchan Civic Sunday 10 July 2016

The Board noted the contents of the letter dated 14 June 2016 inviting the Chairman to Onchan Civic Sunday.

Item 8 Peel Civic Sunday

The Town Clerk reported the Peel Civic Sunday was scheduled to take place on 24 July 2016 in the Cathedral at 12 noon with refreshments in the Corrin Hall afterwards. The parade would commence at 11:45 outside the Town Hall and invitations would be sent out later this week.

Item 9 Peel Day Review

The Deputy Chairman reported a meeting had taken place with the event organisers and the Police earlier today. They overall feeling was the event went very well. There was a number of pinch points in the vicinity of the swing bridge and the location of some of the stalls on East Quay. When the mini moto racing had commenced there were pinch points at the Creek and with access from West Quay and the Fish yards. Public access and marshalling needed to be improved in these areas. Mr. Jones stated a closure was in force and the Police should assist in this regard. The Deputy Chairman advised the Police were excellent on the day and had assisted. The Deputy Chairman stated in the review he would consider the possibility of moving the event onto the Promenade and using the Quayside for motorcycle parking to reduce the impact of the event. Mr. Jones stated it was excellent to see so many people attending this event and he hoped the traders did well from it. Ms Hannan asked what other locations were being considered for motorcycle racing. The Deputy Chairman advised he was looking at the Marine Parade to the Creg Malin Car Park including the possible use of Walpole Road and Stanley Road. In addition, he stated he had been approached by a commercial sponsor interested in providing support to next year's event. Ms Hannan stated there was criticism that few events had taken place in Douglas this year. The Town Clerk advised the setting up of

entertainment space and revitalising the Island's towns through the regeneration programme was being currently curtailed by financial restriction placed on local authorities to host events. The Board **agreed** to write to the Chief Minister to seek legislative changes in the area for the future. Mr Heath advised 60% of visitors to the TT were new and the event was not currently attracting visitors to return. The Deputy Chairman stated the new promotor of this event was hoping to increase visitors year on year although this target would be difficult to deliver in practice.

FINANCE AND  
GENERAL ITEMS

16/026

Item 10 Peel Viking Longship Association

The Board noted the contents of the email dated 14 June 2016 from the Chairman of the Peel Viking Longship Association. The Deputy Chairman advised discussion had taken place with this organisation over 2 years ago and the Commissioners had agreed in principle to leasing the Association land and no plans were ever brought forward. Mr. Heath asked if they required storage or a work shop. Mr. Convery proposed meeting the Association. Mr. Lace suggested approaching the owners of the Barfords site or the land behind the Commissioners' depot. The Board **agreed** to meet with the Peel Viking Longship Association to discuss their proposals.

Item 11 Register of Electors Chief Minister's Response

The Board noted the content for the letter dated 7 June 2016 from the Chief Minister. Mr. Jones stated he was very disappointed with this response because it had not answered the straight forward questions which the Commissioners had asked. He stated it was unlikely they would release the Attorney General's advice if it was requested and this was a way of avoiding a legitimate request for information. The Board **agreed** Mr. Jones should draft a response with the assistance of the Town Clerk on this matter.

Item 12 Peel Harbour Dredging Work

The Board noted the content for the Department of Infrastructure notice for commencing work 4 days prior to work

starting. The Town Clerk reported he had subsequently received an email to advise this work would now not be taking place at this time. Mr. Lace asked why the works in the vicinity of the harbor road bridge had been undertaken. The Town Clerk advised it was to form a silt trap. Mr. Lace stated the silt trap was already full. The Board **agreed** the Town Clerk should ask for greater notice periods for this type of work when he meets the Department of Infrastructure Port's Director on 24 June 2016.

ITEM 13 ANY  
OTHER BUSINESS

16/027

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Ms Hannan stated the plaque on the memorial tree in the Albany Road Gardens was no longer present.

The Town Clerk reported he had received a request from Kestrel Insurance to hold a barbeque in Peel Campsite this forthcoming weekend. The Board **agreed** Kestrel Insurance could use the camping overflow field to host this event.

The Town Clerk reported the next meeting was scheduled for Tynwald Day and required changing. The Board **agreed** the next meeting should be on at 7:30pm on 12 and 26 July 2016. A single meeting would be called in August 2016 once the new standing orders were approved.

Mr. Convery reported he had attended the Western Civic Amenity Site Board meeting. At this meeting they had appointed a Chairman and Deputy Chairman. They had successfully achieved their 70% recycling target and they were on budget. The Town Clerk asked if the budget was based on the old or new charging regime for disposal of waste. Mr. Convery reported they were using the old charging regime at this time.

The meeting ended at 8:45pm