# **GENERAL MEETING**

The MINUTES of a GENERAL MEETING held in the Boardroom, Town Hall, Derby Road, Peel on Tuesday  $10^{\rm th}$  December 2013 at 7.00p.m.

Present Mr. R K Harmer (Chairman)

Mr. E C Beale Mr. N A Cushing Mr. I G Davison Miss K Felton Mrs. J O'Halloran Mrs. C A Moughtin

Mr. D J Lace

Apologies Mr. A G Jones

In attendance Mr. P G Leadley (Town Clerk)

Action

| CHAIRMAN'S<br>WELCOME                           | 13/401 | The Chairman welcomed Members of the public to the December meeting and wished to comment on Peel receiving the award for Best Town/Village category in the Tourism Awards 2013. The Chairman indicated that it reflected on the Town as a whole community in which the residents should be proud. |
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| MINUTES   | 13/402 | The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> November 2013 were taken as read and <i>CONFIRMED</i> .  |
| FERRY BOAT –<br>CLOTHWORKERS<br>SCHOOL          | 13/403 | The Town Clerk referred back to Minute 13/381 and advised that the ferry boat situated at the Clothworkers School was beyond repair and had in fact been removed.  |
| CAPITAL PROJECT<br>COSTS                        | 13/404 | The Chairman referred back to Minute 13/387 and indicated that this matter be deferred to the next meeting as Mr. Jones was not present. <i>AGREED</i>   |
| LOCAL<br>GOVERNMENT<br>SUPERANNUATION<br>SCHEME | 13/405 | Mr. Cushing referred back to Minute 13/396 and indicated that after perusal of the statement in respect of the scheme's funding strategy that no comment be made. <i>AGREED</i>  |

#### SHOPRITE STORE

13/406

Reference was made back to Minute 13/400 and the Town Clerk advised that the parking bays within the section of the car park owned by the Commissioners had been painted yellow with a sign erected indicating that parking was limited to 18 in 24 hours. As a result the store had issued notices indicating that the remainder of the car park was limited to two hour periods for users of the store. Discussion ensued as to whether the Commissioners actions required a formal Order under the appropriate Act. It was AGREED that this matter be checked out by the Town Clerk. Mr. Davison referred to the demolition of the former Doctors surgery and indicated that the change of use to a car park had not been addressed by Shoprite with an appropriate planning application.

The Chairman suggested that further dialogue be commenced with the store over the possibility of a further exchange of land whereby the Commissioners would obtain the car park area formally occupied by the Doctors surgery. It was *AGREED* that a request for a meeting with Mr. Thomas, Chief Executive be sought to discuss these issues including the location of the recycle bins and the size of the individual parking bays.

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1985 13/407

Members noted a Temporary Prohibition Order in respect of Atholl Street and Christian Street during the period 9<sup>th</sup> December to 20<sup>th</sup> December 2013. Lace voiced his disappointment at the closure taking place just prior to the busy Christmas shopping period. Mr. Cushing indicated that a similar disruption occurred previous when footpath vear replacement work was undertaken on Atholl Street and lower Derby Road. It was to be hoped that no such prohibitions of restrictions on traffic would occur in the period prior to Christmas 2014.

The Order removing a reserved parking place on Rheast Bridson in the front of numbers 84 to 97 Westlands was noted. A further Order creating a reserved parking

place displaying a permit issued by the Department on the south side of Westlands was also noted.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT

13/408

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

#### 13/01358/B

Registered Building consent for the demolition of outbuilding (in association with 13/91358/F) The Central Hotel, 14 Castle Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

#### 13/91351/B

Erection of an external wheelie bin store, Peel Clothworkers School, Derby Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

#### 13/91358/F

Demolition of outbuilding (in association with 13/01359/CON), The Central Hotel, 14 Castle Street, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

#### 13/01383/B

Registered Building Consent for amendments to approved landscaping scheme relating to Cross Garden (RB no 204 in association with 13/91382/GB, St. Germans Cathedral, Derby Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

#### 13/91382/GB

Retrospective application for amendments to approved landscaping scheme relating to Cross Garden (In association with PA 13/01383/CON, St Germans Cathedral, Derby Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

#### 13/91312/B

Installation of a replacement front door, 10 Orry Lane, Peel. (amended plans). *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

#### 13/91424/B

Erection of block built bike shed store to rear, 16 Albany Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

#### 13/91437/B

Replacement roof windows to front and rear, replacement window to rear of property and removal of existing window to be replaced by patio door, 12 Lyndale Avenue, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL* 

#### 13/91427/B

Construction of new single storey conservatory to rear of existing property, Sea Point, Peveril Road, Peel. *RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL*.

## PLANNING 13/409 DECISIONS NOTIFIED

The following decisions were notified by the Planning Committee as follows:-

PA 13/91269/B Alterations to access to rear of dwelling (retrospective), 8 Close Cubbon, Peel for Mr. Paul Moffatt and Miss Jayne Kelly. *APPROVED* 

Pa 13/91112/B Erection of an extension to rear elevation of dwelling at 8 Lyndale Avenue, Peel for Mr. Kenneth James Allitt. *APPROVED* 

PA 13/91179/B Erection of decking on flat roof kitchen extension (retrospective) and proposed boundary fencing at 12 Gib Lane, Peel for Mr. Philip James Pemberton. *APPROVED* 

# PA 13/91229/B ON 13/410 APPEAL

Members considered the request for an Letter sent Appeal by Mr. Wells in respect of the refusal for the erection of a conservatory on the first floor flat roof rear extension (retrospective), 5 Michael Street, Peel. The matter was discussed and it was *AGREED* that a letter in support of Mr. Wells appealing against this refusal be issued to the Planning Appeals Office.

## PA 13/00686/B ON 13/411 APPEAL

Members noted the submission of an Appeal Letter sent against approval for the erection of a pair of semi-detached dwellings, plot of land adjacent to 56 Glenfaba Road, Peel by Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Bawden. Members confirmed its objection to the approval decision on the ground of lack of vehicle parking and *AGREED* to make this submission to the Appeals Office.

| HOUSING (FLATS)<br>REGULATIONS 1982   | 13/412 | Members noted a request to register the flat at 2 Bridge Street, Peel. The recommendation from the Environmental Health Officer was noted and it was <i>AGREED</i> that the flat be registered.   |
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| HOUSING REVIEW                        | 13/413 | Members noted receipt of a letter from Mrs. Reeve, Director of Housing regarding Tynwald approval for the Department of Social Care's housing review recommendations. The twenty five policy recommendations had given a firm political steer to the Department to progress its housing review.   |
| ENVIRONMENTAL<br>IMPROVEMENT<br>WORKS | 13/414 | Members noted receipt of a letter from the Department of Social Care dated 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2013 indicating approval to the petition submitted by Peel Town Commissioners for environmental improvement works (Contract E) at various Commissioners properties in Peel. The scheme approved the borrowing of a sum not exceeding £1,100,440.00 repayable over fifteen years and that Island Drainage and Groundworks Limited had secured the contract. <i>NOTED</i>   |
| COMMONWEALTH<br>GAMES 2014            | 13/415 | Members considered an email from Juliette Holt, President of the Commonwealth Games Association Isle of Man in which it was noted that the Queens Baton would be on the Island from 16 <sup>th</sup> May to 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2014. The Isle of Man leg of the baton relay would include a visit to Peel on Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> May with a visit to the House of Manannan to be followed by the baton being ferried across the harbour to the RNLI station. A visit would then take place to one of the kipper factories for a kipper bap before heading back to Douglas. <i>NOTED</i> |
| ARCHIBALD KNOX<br>EXHIBITION          | 13/416 | The Town Clerk referred to a request from the House of Manannan for permission to display banners and billboard posters on lampposts around the Town to advertise the major House of Manannan exhibition marking the 150 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Archibald Knox. After discussion it was <i>AGREED</i> in principle that promotion of the orbibition could involve use of a certain   |

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exhibition could involve use of a certain number of street light columns. Members also referred to the paths around the castle and suggested that the House of Manannan should be reminded of their duty to ensure that the weeds were removed and the path maintained.

PEEL CAMPSITE 13/417

Consideration was given to a request from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Onchan Scout Group who wished to hold a week long summer camp at the campsite rear field between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> August 2014. It was *AGREED* that the Scout Troop be welcomed during this period subject to the Department of Education agreeing a suitable lease of the rear field with the Commissioners

PEEL POST OFFICE 13/418

Members noted a letter from the Isle of Man Post Office which indicated that Mrs. Mary Palmer had recently been appointed as the new Sub-Postmistress for Peel.

ATTENDANCE 13/419 ALLOWANCE Consideration was given to a letter from Mr. Richard Ronan, MHK, the Member with responsibility for local authorities with regard to an Order approved at the November sitting of Tynwald regarding the ofMembers payment attendance allowances. The various new rates were noted and after some discussion Members AGREED that they would wish to retain the current payment of attendance allowances based on the reduced figure of £25 per month for the two regular board meetings and a £25 per meeting fee in respect of any additional meetings. It was further AGREED that this decision be reviewed at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 1st May 2014.

THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL LIST Members noted receipt of the third supplemental valuation list for 2013.

REFUSE 13/421

13/420

The Town Clerk referred to the statement at the October sitting of Tynwald by the Chief Minister in which he indicated that the Council of Ministers had indicated a review of an alternative means of delivery for waste collection and disposal throughout the Island. An appropriate letter had been sent to the Chief Minister stating the Board's concerns and that the current arrangement was deemed fully satisfactory. It was noted

that the Chief Minister had also responded to Lezayre Parish Commissioners who had expressed similar concerns along with a number of other local authorities. The Commissioners confirmed its satisfaction with the current disposal arrangements with Jones Services Limited

### FILBY'S RESTAURANT

13/422

Mrs. O'Halloran referred to the offer of a prize for the best decorated boat with Christmas lights offered by Filby's Restaurant. She wished to commend the restaurant for their kind offer and it was *AGREED* that the matter be placed on the Commissioners website.

# HERITAGE HOMES 13/423 LIMITED

Mr. Cushing referred to the submission of a response to the planning application for 144 new dwellings at Rearyt ny Cronk by Heritage Homes Limited. He indicated that he was still awaiting a response from Mr. Crookall, MHK Minister for Education with regard to the proposal that the QE11 school field would form part of the public open space required for this development.

The Town Clerk confirmed that the Board's submission recommending refusal had been hand delivered to the Planning Committee's offices at Murray House, Mount Havelock on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2013 prior to the deadline submission date of Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2013. It was also noted that a Commissioners press article had been forwarded to the local papers with regard to this matter.

#### YEAR OF CULTURE 13/424

Mr. Davison indicated that he had recently met with Emma Quirk over the ceremony to light a beacon on Peel Hill on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2014 to mark to commencement of the Year of Culture. It was noted that the Commissioners public liability cover was in place and that the Vikings of Mann would take part with a torchlight procession along West Quay to the beacon on Peel Hill. Discussion ensued as to whether a firework display could be arranged to mark the occasion and subject to Government funding Mr. Davison indicated that he would make suitable enquiries.

# COMMISSIONERS SURGERY

13/425

The Chairman confirmed that the next Commissioners surgery would take place on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2013 between 10.00a.m. and 12 noon at which he and Miss Felton would be in attendance to deal with any residents concerns.

This part of the meeting ended at 7.45p.m.