

The Monthly Meeting was held on Wednesday 21st September 2016 at 7.30pm at the Halley MacLiag. Present were Mr Cowin (Chairman), Mrs Glover, Mr Cringle, Mr Gawne and Miss Greenhalgh. The Clerk was in attendance.

Minutes of August Meeting

The minutes of the Meeting held on 31st August 2016 were, after an amendment, confirmed as a true record and signed.

Risk matters

It was noted that Miss Greenhalgh and the Clerk were to meet with Mr John Edwin, Risk Advisor, on 22nd September to conduct the annual review of risk matters.

Highways – Hedges, sweeping, etc

Work done during the past month month :- hedge trimming Ballagawne Road, Glen Road to Earystane Road junction.

Next month plans :- Hedge trimming – Earystane Road junction to Round Table , Pooillvaish Road, Main Road through Ballabeg and Colby. Road sweeping as required.

Mr Cringle joined the meeting at this point.

Other Highways matters

The following matters were discussed:-

- Ballabeg road works – work on-going.
- Proposed new speed limits on the approaches to Ballabeg – these were supported.
- Parking restrictions on Main Road at Ballacarmick – approved.
- Southern Traffic Management Liaison Group – the Clerk reported that he had attended a recent meeting of the Group and had raised again the matters of Cronk y Thatcher and Friary Park entrances.

Parish General Byelaws

It was noted that the general byelaws required renewal and an example of byelaws adopted by another parish authority were examined. It was agreed to adopt a similar set of byelaws, and also to seek clarification on the issues of litter and drinking alcohol in public places, both of which were not covered.

Social Housing

The Clerk advised that the joint southern waiting list was in operation, and that applicants for social housing could now submit their applications through any of the southern authorities offices, except Port St Mary, or through the DOI. However, for the time being, the parish offices would conduct only a prima facie check of applications and pass them on for processing, either to Port Erin or Castletown Commissioners offices or to the DOI.

Sundry Matters

- Rates defaulters – no further information received from the Coroner.
- Garden competition – the Clerk reported that he had been unable to obtain a speaker for the event planned for 3rd October, but that Mr Stephen Whittaker has agreed to speak at the event if it was held towards the end of October. It was agreed to arrange the event for the evening of Saturday 29th October.
- Christmas event – it was agreed to arrange the event along the usual lines, perhaps without the scouts/brownies concert.

- Cronk Cullyn play area / Village Green – there was no further information on the passing of responsibility for the public open spaces to the Commissioners.
- Annual Civic Service – it was agreed to seek to hold the event on Sunday 19th February at Arbory Parish Church.
- Recycling areas – the Clerk advised that he had contacted the operators in connection with the untidiness of the sites. It was noted that the situation had not improved and that the plastics recycling was causing the worst of the problem. It was agreed to ask the operator of that facility to take his receptacles away if he could not provide a more suitable system.
- Arbory School traffic problems – the Clerk advised that Mr Cretney was on a course until the end of November, and that therefore the meeting with him and the Head Teacher has been postponed.
- 72 Ballacriy & 1 Ballastrooan – the Clerk confirmed that further letters, requesting that work be done on these increasingly overgrown and unsightly properties, had been sent to the owners.
- Dog fouling at Ballacriy – Mr Cowin confirmed that the new camera had been sited on the back footpath at Ballacriy.

Planning Matters

The following new applications were considered:-

1600888 – Arbory House, Glen Road – double garage & new access (additional information) – no comments.

1601016 – 4 Cronk y Thatcher – rear extension – no comments.

1601045 – Ballagawne Farm – removal of hedges and creation of tracks – no comments.

The following decisions were received and noted:-

1600800 – 53 Cronk Cullyn – dwelling with detached garage – Approved.

1600869 - Mar Rhenny, Ballastrooan – extensions – Approved.

1500678 - Thie ny Chibbyr, Glen Road – demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling – Refused on Appeal.

1600927 – Middlefield, Glen Road – reroofing swimming pool, etc – Approved.

1600815 - Rosemount, Main Road, Colby – extension of parking area, etc – Approved.

Accounts

The following accounts were passed for payment:-

- Manx Telecom – telephone	53.96
- Jones Services Ltd – refuse collection - Sept	3,509.95
- IOM Government - Refuse disposal - Aug	4,955.35
- Steve Booth – grass cutting	950.00
- Manx Utilities - streetlights power	1,639.40
- Manx Utilities - streetlights maintenance	1,861.92
- Manx Utilities - replacement column Ballacriy	801.82
- Jones Services Ltd - Hedge trimming	2,046.00
- A Cowin - reimbursement for camera and associated costs	121.20

Sundry Correspondence & Other Matters

- Invitation to carol service Port Erin Commissioners Thurs 15 December.

Sundry matters raised by members

The following matter was raised:-

- dog fouling in the vicinity of the Parville Road junction – agreed to locate the camera in that area in a couple of weeks time.

The Meeting ended at 9.15 pm