



ANDREAS PARISH COMMISSIONERS

BARRANTEE SKEEREY ANDREAYS

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Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th October 2021 at 7.30pm in Andreas Parish Hall, Smeale Road, Andreas

Members Present: Mr JRW Clague -JRWC; Mr JKW Allison – JKWA; Mrs JEH Faragher (JEHF); Mrs V L Hind (VLH); Mr J Moore (JM)

In attendance - Superintendent Steve Maddocks; Andrew Sutton, Probation Service Officer;
Clerk (Ms M Callow)

1. The Chair welcomed Supt. Maddocks and Andrew Sutton (Probations Services Officer) to the meeting.

Supt. Maddocks was invited by the Chair to outline the envisaged working relationship for the Police and the Commissioners.

Supt Maddocks explained that the police hope to be able to resolve most issues without involving bureaucracy by using what he termed 'Neighbourhood Specialists' and the 'Police early action team'. The Chair asked if the police would be available to provide support for the Commissioners with what were seen as 'on-going' issues, and Supt Maddocks provided contacts for the Commissioners. The Chair also asked what support the community could give to the police, and Supt Maddocks requested that they build up the channels of communication in order to establish a good working relationship. The Board asked if the police would consider doing more foot patrols around the village and engaging with the residents, and it was agreed that this would be a useful exercise for both sides.

The Chairman thanked Supt Maddocks for taking the time to attend the meeting. Supt Maddocks left the meeting.

2. The Chair then welcomed Mr Andy Sutton – Probation Service Officer for IOM Prison and Probation Services.

Mr Sutton explained how individuals serving Community Service joined various work parties to complete their required hours. Each work party has an appropriately trained supervisor, relevant to the scheme being undertaken. Mr Sutton checks all risk assessments for each scheme but added that welfare facilities must be provided for the work party. The work parties have limited tools available for use but the beneficiary of the scheme must provide resources (ie. Fuel, waste removal etc).

The Board agreed that there was a number of potential schemes for the Parish and would list this and present them to Mr Sutton for future consideration.

The Chair thanked Mr Sutton for attending the meeting. Mr Sutton left the meeting at this point.

3. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th September having been circulated, were taken as read, and after approval, proposed by JA; and 2nd JF by were signed by the Chairman BC, as a correct record.

4. **Matters arising** from the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th September 2021

(3b) The Village telephone box. There has been no further correspondence from Manx Telecom regarding the adoption of this. The Clerk, having spoken with the Planning dept, thought that it would be necessary to obtain planning permission to re-site the box. BC is awaiting samples of how photographs could be placed onto the glass for display.

(5k) The garden hedges at Ballasteen were further discussed as there is still no clear access to the road drain. It was suggested that the Hedge be further trimmed back; the Clerk reported that this would incur further cost to the LA for what is an overgrown garden hedge and the Commissioners are not obliged to maintain garden hedges, although this hedge was cut back on safety grounds in the first instance – (www.gov.im/media/725909/garden-hedges-leaflet-pdf.pdf) The Chair suggested that each Board member should view the site and report back at the next meeting or earlier if considered necessary.

(6) Civic Service. (VH left the meeting at this point as the catering contract was discussed.) Quotes were provided by both The Grosvenor Pub and Claire Quayle/Anne Duggan. Others had been requested but weren't able to cover this event. After consideration BC proposed; and JF 2nd that the contract be awarded to Claire Quayle and Anne Duggan. The Board unanimously agreed with this decision.

(VH rejoined the meeting at this point)

BC distributed the provisional Order of Service. JF confirmed that the children of Andreas School would be attending and performing. The guest list, having been circulated was agreed.

(8e) Gladwyn House. JA has spoken with the owner who has agreed to tidy the site up. (*edit – at the time of the meeting the gutters of the house had been cleared*)

(8f) There is still monies outstanding to NPRCB, from period 2019/2020 which has been accrued in the 2020/2021 accounts. This is giving a false balance for the LA; and it is also likely that there is money owing for 2020/2021 period which has accrued in this current year. The Chair has agreed to meet with the Clerk for NPRCB to try and resolve this matter.

5. Correspondence

- a) An email was received from Tim Baker MHK and this related to comments received by him whilst canvassing regarding the state of the village Play Park; *these included "poor*

cleanliness, broken gate, slippery matting, safety concerns and needs new equipment. Residents with young children indicated that they were not using the park and instead travelling to Ramsey to use facilities in Coronation Park and Mooragh Park. If the facilities were to be improved, they would prefer to use them in the village. The Board has now received the independent inspection from Wicksteed, UK and notes there are issues to be addressed. (see item 5)

- b) Grant Thornton have been awarded a contract by the Department for Enterprise to review the Access to Cash provision on the Isle of Man. As part of this review, they are looking to engage with stakeholders to discuss with them their thoughts on the current provision of cash and banking services across the island, their views on future trends in the requirement for access to cash and also to gain an understanding of their preferences for solutions for future access to cash and banking on the island. Following discussion between the Chair and Clerk prior to the meeting it was agreed that as A.P.C doesn't interact with cash customers on a regular basis this would not be relevant for the Local Authority. The Clerk has responded to Grant Thornton.
- c) Ref: The Donkey Track (U72 Andreas) The Chief Secretary's Office is to hold an inquiry regarding this and this will be limited to whether the Donkey Track is maintainable at public expense. Comments must be received by 4th October, and the inquiry will be held on Tuesday 9th November. JF asked for it to be noted that she did not agree with the comments submitted by the previous Board in relation to this matter.
- d) Andreas Parish Commissioners is now registered in the Isle of Man register of controllers and processors with the Information Commission, at a cost of £70. This is valid for 12 months and will be due for renewal on 12th September 2022.
- e) Notice from the Planning Department regarding the rearranged Appeal against the refusal for the removal of an agricultural worker's condition on dwelling, Ohio Fields, Bernahara Road. This was to be held on 22nd September. Outcome unknown.
- f) IOM Sawmill forwarded price lists and instructions regarding the selection of Christmas tree for 2021 which was circulated prior to the meeting. JA proposed and BC 2nd that the same be ordered as last year – 15' non-drop – and this was agreed by the Board. Cost £125.49 + Vat; delivery £90 + vat = Total £215.49 + vat. (Labour costs will also be incurred for this) JF volunteered to select the tree.
- g) Tim Baker MHK forwarded copies of correspondence regarding Mobile phone coverage around the Parish. This was circulated to the Board and the Chair suggested this be raised with the MHK's at the next meeting when they are to attend.
- h) The DOI forwarded information on various roads around the Island including Andreas for the All-Island Weight Limit Order- which was circulated to members prior to the meeting. Comments are to be submitted by Friday 15th October. The Board agreed with the proposed Order but requested that comment should be raised regarding the lack of weight limit on the Lhen Bridge. Clerk to prepare response.
- i) Received from the Cabinet Office – Ref: Planning application 20/01435/B. An appeal has been lodged against the approval for construction of a horse menage (retrospective). The Board had no comment to make regarding this appeal.
- j) The Board has received the Village Play Park inspection report from Wicksteed, UK, and this was circulated prior to the meeting. There are several areas of concern which

should be monitored for future wear and tear, and some for immediate attention. Recommendations proposed by Wicksteed, UK totalled a cost of £1130.80 + VAT and Delivery. The Chair proposed these items be ordered and arrange for installation on delivery. Prior to placing the order JA and Clerk will meet to check over the Park to consider items which can be purchased locally and reduce carriage costs.

6. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING

Planning Applications for consideration

Ref: 21/01144/B Smeale Beg, Smeale, Andreas IM7 3EB. Erection of extensions to dwelling
Andreas Parish Commissioners have no comment to make regarding this application

Decisions by DOI – Planning

Ref No. 21/00922/B. Moorecroft, 2 Larivane Meadows, Andreas. Installation of twin wall flue to side of building to facilitate installation of a Herald Allure .04 wood burning stove

APPROVE

P A Ref: 21/00852/B Erection of double garage/ storage building. The Barn, Smeale Road, Andreas, IM7 4JA

APPROVE

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) The Chair, produced a proposal of revised rates for Parish Hall to take effect from January 1st 2022. The Board will consider these and report back in November meeting. It was also agreed that a First Aid Box should be placed within the Hall, and BC offered to supply one from Office World for APC at cost price. JA Proposed and JF 2nd this proposal and it was agreed by the Board.
- b) The Chair raised concerns regarding the Standing Orders relating to Andreas Parish Commissioners. There has recently been an incident with another Local Authority regarding the removal of the Chairman following a vote of no confidence; and it was reported that there are no Standing Orders in place to allow for this. The Clerk will consult with other LA's on this matter and report back to next meeting.
- c) The Chair, BC, suggested that all Members should have a dedicated email account for APC to meet GDPR regulations. This will incur a cost of approx £300 per annum. The matter was discussed and will be further considered at the next meeting.
- d) The Clerk reported that the website is now live – 'andreasparish.com' and is currently being developed.
- e) The Millennium Clock will be serviced on Friday 8th October by Smith Derby. JA agreed to meet the engineer for this.

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.30 pm