

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING OF MICHAEL DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS	
held at 7 pm on Wednesday 7 th May 2025 at the Commissioners' Office	
1	<u>Attendees</u>
	D. Livingstone (DL), C Livingstone (CLIV), A Muller (AM), C Lillywhite (CL), J Thompson (JT), Paul Rowley (PR), Sarah Jones (SJ).
	In Attendance: Clerk, G O'Donnell (GO), Tim Johnston MHK (TJ) and 4 members of public
2	<u>Minutes of last meeting signed.</u>
3	New Board to be established. Chair, Vice Chair and Boards – See AGM Minutes
4	<u>Brought forward from last meeting</u>
i	Controlled Parking Zone Signage
	GO emailed DOI 07/05/2025 to request that the sign and restricted waiting time be removed from the area outside the shops but that the disabled parking is retained.
ii	Heritage Trail/Railway Line Maintenance
	Ongoing – GO to chase up Greenways Team for Glen Mooar wall to be completed and Railway track ditch behind Pennybridge camp site to have the drainage improved.
iii	Garden Competition
	Ongoing
iv	Local Authority (Amendment) Bill 2023
	Ongoing. TJ advised that the Bill is with Legco. It will be returned to Tynwald in the Autumn for final reading.
v	20mph Speed limit
	Consultation ongoing. Email received from Alf Cannan (MHK) showing the results from his request for speed monitoring of the Main Road in Kirk Michael. This was carried out between 29/03/25 and 7/04/25. The average speed by the school was 33.6 and 33 by the Spar. DL advised that the parking in the village slows the flow of traffic down. DL also advised that there had been 3 fatalities in 30 years within the District. DL felt there was no reason to reduce the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph on the Main Road. AM felt that the 30 mph limit needed extending into Rhencullen to prevent speeding up after the spar garage through Rhencullen. DL also raised the fact that if the blanket 20mph speed limit was introduced, there would be no or little enforcement and it would cause problems with driving tests and waiting times to take tests. TJ advised that the DOI Minister is planning to visit all local authorities and this matter will be raised when the visit occurs.
vi	Playground Maintenance
	The maintenance has now been completed and GO will arrange for Wicksteed to carry out an inspection when next over on the Island.
vii	Star Gazing Bench
	A suitable area for the bench at Glen Mooar to be decided. (DL)

viii	Board's TO DO LIST for new Commissioners
	DL – Glen Mooar wall to be rebuilt – GO to contact DEFA for update on when this will be completed. DL – Resurfacing of Railway Track. CL – TT incidents and Gridlocks when road closed due to accidents. DL advised GO to email Chief Constable and TT Motorsports to arrange a plan of action.
vii	Boundary Fence at Broogh Wyllin
	Ongoing. GO has received the plans from the Developer and will complete the paperwork to correct the boundary error. The fence options will be discussed at a later meeting.
vii	Public Records Office visit – Ongoing (GO)
viii	Surface by Exercise equipment to be topped up.
	Completed.
5	<u>New Concerns</u>
i	Public Toilets Boiler
	The boiler needs replacing. The Commissioners discussed the two options in the quote. It was decided to go with a like for like replacement.
ii	Church Clock timing repairs
	Ongoing - GO advised that the clock had lost time and that the cost of any repairs would not be known until the next annual inspection by the off Island company who look after the clock.
iii	Domestic Event Fund – DoE
	TJ advised that GO should email the Fund to find out further details.
iv	Payroll online
	GO to trail the online payroll for 6 months and report back to the Board.
v	Financial Statement 2024-2025
	Accountant has completed the initial review of the accounts. Auditors have not yet been appointed for this year due to Auditor General outstanding consultation process. Board to provide the written statement for inclusion in report.
6	<u>Michael Community Civic Centre</u>
i	Hall Refurbishment
	AM updated the Board on the latest works to the toilet and storage cupboard.
7	<u>Young Commissioners and community projects</u>
	CL and SJ to meet with Young Commissioners – items to discuss bulb planting in District in autumn and Community toy box at beach. CLIV proposed £300 for cost of toy box and supplies, JT 2nd. Carried by majority.
8	<u>Development Report</u>

	24/00532/C Vicarage Holiday Cottages Glebe Farm, Additional use as residential. Appeal
	24/00397/B Rose Cottage - Conversion of existing garage to kennels and change of use of part field to dog exercise – Permitted .

	25/90170/B – Keirn Corneil – 42 The Meadows – Replacement windows and doors – Pending Consideration
	25/90283/B – Bishops court Mansion House – Conversion of Garage Block to covered swimming pool with service rooms. – Pending Consultation
	25/000240/LAW – Certificate of Lawfulness – Use of attic bedroom to living space – pending consideration.spi
	25/90285/B – Bishops court Mansion House – Installation of two boreholes

9 Finance and Governance -

	Bank Accounts /03/02/2025	
	Isle of Man Bank Business Reserve account	£20,000.00
	Isle of Man Bank Business Current Account	£28,310.38
	Incl. in the above totals is the Manx Lottery Trust balance Grant	£12,263.50
	Total at Bank	£48,310.38
	<u>Accounts requested for payment: -</u>	
	Invoices to be paid (see separate sheet)	£25,758.12
	<u>Direct Debit</u>	
	Manx Telecom	£133.60
	Brother Ink - monthly subscription	£16.99
	Balance remaining after invoices paid (approximate)	£23,267.96

10 Correspondence (Letters, emails and Phone Calls)

i	Email from DOI regarding MDC Housing Policy.
	A letter was sent advising DOI that the Board does not have any social housing and does not own any land suitable for Social Housing. The only land zoned for any new builds is part of the North West Area Plan. Go also advised that it had come to light that there are 8 units at Cannan Court which can be used, when available, for Social housing. JT proposed that GO approach DOI for clarity of status of the 8 units. DL 2nd. Carried.
ii	Email from Alf Cannan regarding 20mph DOI Monitoring of road usage.
	See item 4 v.

11 Reports from External Bodies/Committees

	Generally, already communicated by minutes via e-mail. Clerks' Forum; WCAS; LAFOG; DoI; Highways; Housing; Planning; Police; Swimming; Waste	
	i) Western Housing Committee	A Muller
	ii) Western Swimming Pool	C Livingstone
	iii) Western Civic Amenity Site	C Lillywhite
	iv) Neighbourhood Policing Team Local Tasking	P Rowley
	v) Northern Parishes Refuse Collection Board	D Livingstone

	vi) Coastal Erosion	J Thomson
12	<u>Up and coming Business to Note in Diary</u>	
i	29/05/25 – Mona’s Queen Anchor Memorial Service at Port St Mary.	
ii	31/05/25 Deadline for submission of annual Public Bodies Climate Change Reporting (GO)	
13	<u>AOB</u>	
i	Archiving - ongoing	
Ii	Historic Carbonite cloud system has finished. Documents downloaded to Hard Drive. Carbonite will destroy all items after 30 days.	
iii	Financial Statements 2025 in progress.	
iv	WCAS Opening hours amended.	
v	Balliera Road lights reset due to faulty fuse.	
vi.	GNAAS letter regarding funding request	
	Meeting closed at 8.55pm	
14	Date of next meetings at 7.00pm	
	11 th June 2025	