

**Minutes of PUBLIC MEETING OF MICHAEL DISTRICT
COMMISSIONERS
to be held at 7 pm on Wednesday 8th May 2024 at the
Commissioners' Office**

1	Attendees	ACTIONS
	<p>D Livingstone (Chair), C Livingstone (CLIV) (Vice Chair), D Kelly (DK), C Lillywhite, (CL), D Kelly, (DK), P Clark (PC) A Muller (AM) In Attendance: Clerk, G O'Donnell (GO), Ethan Grubb Cabinet Office (EG), Minister A Cannan (AC), 12 Residents Apologies: none</p>	
2	Minutes of last meeting signed. D Livingstone	
3	North and West Area Plan.	
	Ethan Grubb (EG) - Senior Policy Planning Officer, Cabinet Office in attendance to answer questions on the processes and plans. See separate sheet	
	Concerns raised by Commissioners and Residents	
	<p>Lack of consultation on this part of the process. AM queried the timescale and stated that residents felt it was being rushed through.</p> <p>Errors on Map - EG explained that DOI release the Base Maps every 4 years and this was the latest available map. This is why new areas such as Aalin Lea are not shown on the map. Field numbers could also change if fields were split or given new site numbers</p> <p>PC queried the sites. Are only the green areas up for discussion? EG advised that yes the pink sites were no longer being considered.</p> <p>The road (access route on map) was queried - EG explained this was part of the plan.</p> <p>Concerns were raised that some residents do not have access to the Internet and are unable to complete the registration without help to print off the forms. As above these residents do not have access to Social Media so will not see the updated posts. It was pointed out that the Plan had also been advertised on radio and in the newspaper.</p> <p>Commissioners stated that they are concerned that large houses more suitable to overseas buyers will be built rather than the smaller family sized houses and that housing needs to encompass single homeowners, elderly, families and first time buyers.</p> <p>The Commissioners also sited that in the past developers were able to overturn the planning decision to deny the applications and that locals were not listened to. Broogh Wyllin was put forward as an example.</p> <p>EG explained that the plan will look at what each Districts needs are ie 1/2/3 bed houses and will look for LA's and community feedback for the areas chosen.</p> <p>EG advised that if a landowner or developer wanted to put up a site for discussion they would be happy to look at this. Also they can contest sites or request inclusion in the plan</p> <p>The Quality of submissions will be looked at</p> <p>EG advised that you can appoint an Agent to speak on your behalf at the public enquiries</p> <p>The landowners of the area where the access route (Road) is shown on map queried this access route as there is no access as it is privately owned land and no contact has been made with anyone, there are no options and no talks have been done with developers at this time. Landowner stated that they have put land forward but were looking at the long term not short term and they were stressed that plans were being made without anyone speaking to them first.</p> <p>AM pointed out that it states in the Written Statement that the "owners of land are in agreement". Landowner advised that they did put land forward but not as in the plans but that there had been no agreements.</p> <p>EG explained that the Planning department representation to the inquiry is for Planning Department and not the public.</p> <p>Commissioners voiced concerns that Kirk Michael would become a Service Village</p> <p>EG explained the criteria for dismissing sites as unsuitable such as flood risk</p> <p>Resident (SR) raised concerns that the flow chart provided did not show the same details as the written statement</p> <p>Residents felt that the whole process feels rushed</p> <p>Commissioners raised concerns that the public consultation was rushed and that no time was given for public engagement prior to the registration</p>	

EG explained about the hierarchy of settlements - how many houses are needed in each district. Each district has different requirements and the minimum level of housing and type of housing will be different. Pip 7 explains the breakdown of the types of housing. He also pointed out that Peel treatment works would have to be done before any building work could commence.
Town and Country Act gives statutory figures needed
AM asked about Kelly's yard which had been put forward for inclusion.

Resident raised the question of Compulsory Purchase. EG explained that though there is no law for Compulsory Purchase there is provision in the Acquisition of Lands Act within the Town and Country Act. EG also pointed out that the Government are not looking to use this Act to buy land for housing.

EG advised that the Inspector will be looking at what each area needs and will be looking for feedback from the Commissioners and community for each of the areas chosen.

CLIV asked if the Inspector is responsible to the Cabinet Office but was advised that he is an independent appointment.

CLIV asked AC as the District's MHK to send a representation to the Cabinet Office to request an extension for registration from the Inspector. AC advised that he would do so but that as the inspector is independent the decision will be the Inspectors.

PC asked if the Inspector was Manx or UK? EG advised that the Inspector is from the UK but is experienced on Manx matters.

Concerns were raised that the online service had not been working correctly and was time consuming as you have to complete a separate sheet for each entry. EG advised that there is a new online registration form which is quicker and easier to use.

4	Brought forward from last meeting	
i	Noticeboards and planning, 2 approved, 1 x pending and 1 x query Pending GO replied to Planning confirming position of Board at Query GO chased GCA for update on DOI queries. PC proposed putting Graphic Design artwork in the left hand side of the boards and notices in the right. PC suggested that the school might like to design something. CL will check with the Young Commissioners. 2nd DK carried. PC will speak to supplier and CL will update if school are interested.	GO & PC
ii	Garden Competition 1 x entry for Container competition received	
iii	Exercise equipment - awaiting planning approval Equipment in storage until Planning approved	
iv	Star Gazing Bench a) New position at Glen Wyllin b) in production at Saw Mills. doing all the planning work for the second one which will go on the lane opposite Sartfell Plantation Governors Loch Road.	
5	New Concerns	
i	Request for a jet ski business at Glen Wyllin area. DL will look into this further. DEFA stated that they would require a contract for the car park. CLIV raised safety for swimmers.	GO & DL
ii	Baltic Road Bin area. Request to DOI by resident to continue to park at back of his house in return for keeping area clean and tidy. DL proposed that Board are happy with this agreement. PC 2nd. Carried	
iii	IT upgrades - GO to look into upgrades to system and report at next meeting	GO
iv	Ash trees in Faaie ny Cabbal. CL has marked the trees affected by Ash Die Back. CL proposed GO puts a tender out to cut the trees marked with an orange paint mark. 2nd AM, carried	
6	Michael Community Civic Centre	
i	Hall Refurbishment AM to report on Building work and Town and Country Regeneration Grant a) Contractor has replaced the lintel. Roof tiles are reasonable, only a few tiles need attention. b) South end Gable has cracked render. AM proposed obtaining a quote to fill the cracks and coat it all in an Eco Render. Board agreed to await the quote and information on eco render. c) Contractor advised that the urgent item is the Window in store room and Michael Heritage room. d) North Gable wall - Pointing needs to be assessed by historical building expert. e) Internal wall - issue is salt in walls not damp.	

	<p>f) AM to obtain a quote for ladies/gents toilet upgrade g) Velux windows upstairs rooms, there is a recall on these products which need replacing. h) AM requested that CL & CLIV talk to Manx Heritage Trust (MHT) regarding salt in the walls not damp and what they want to do about the damp under the window possibly caused by plasterboard. AM advised that the Regeneration Fund had been approved but would not be paid until the exercise equipment is in place. The Board thanked AM for all her hard work with these matters.</p>	CL & CLIV																								
ii	Board approved the purchase of 45 new chairs to replace the old ones which were over 30 years old																									
7	Young Commissioners and community projects																									
	<p>CL to discuss graphic artwork for the Noticeboards with Young Commissioners <u>CL proposed that the Board send an official letter congratulating the Young Commissioners on winning the cup. 2nd PC Carried.</u></p>																									
8	Development Report																									
	<p>23/01330/B - Pennybridge expansion for 14 Electric Hookups - Pending Consideration 24/00095/B 4 Whitehouse Cottage, Main Road - Pending Consideration 24/00341/GB & CON Bishops court Mansion, Demolish Garage and replace with single storey garage - pending consideration 24/00448/D Installation of business signage at Rose Cottage, Barregarrow - Pending Consideration - CL raised safety issues with entrance onto A3 road. 24/00392/B Redevelopment of Existing Sure monopole with new 15m slimline lattice, with mobile panel antennas, dishes, radio kit , cabinets and boundary fences. Cammal Farm - Pending Consideration 24/00404/B Mobile Structure for ancillary residential and tourist use Ballahowin, Orrisdale - pending consideration 24/00346/B Demolition of existing garage and store. Alterations and extension to existing dwelling Clove Cottage, Main Road. Pending consideration 24/00512/B 6 Windows and front door Slieau Dhoo, Main Road - Pending Consideration 24/00376/B & CON - Retrospective application Windmill Cottage - Pending - GO to write to Planning regarding Boundary issues. Request delay 24/00463/GB and CON Protective covers for Church Windows. St Michael's Church - Pending Consideration</p>																									
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10	Correspondence (Letters, emails and Phone Calls)																									
	<p>Davidson's invitation for Commissioners to visit the factory. GO to request 27th June 2024 for Board visit. Climate Change Carbon Literacy training events 14th May and 11th June. Domestic Event Fund Closure notice on B10 Sartfield Road for resurfacing work 13th May to 21st May 9am to 5pm</p>																									
11	Reports from External Bodies/Committees																									
	<p>Generally, already communicated by minutes via e-mail. Clerks' Forum; ECAS; LAFOG; Dol ; Highways; Housing; Planning; Police; Swimming; Waste</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>i) Western Housing Committee</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Mrs A Muller</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ii) Western Swimming Pool</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Mrs D Kelly</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iii) Western Civic Amenity Site</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Mr P L Clark</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iv) Neighbourhood Policing Team Local Tasking</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Mrs C Livingstone</td> </tr> </table>		i) Western Housing Committee	Mrs A Muller	ii) Western Swimming Pool	Mrs D Kelly	iii) Western Civic Amenity Site	Mr P L Clark	iv) Neighbourhood Policing Team Local Tasking	Mrs C Livingstone																
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	v) Northern Parishes Refuse Collection Board vi) Coastal Erosion	Mr J D Livingstone Mr P L Clark	
12	<u>Up and coming Business to Note in Diary</u>		
	20th May 2024 Minister Crookall visit with Commissioners 1-3pm Mona's Queen III memorial event - Chair and Clerk to attend		GO GO & CLIV
13	<u>AOB</u>		
	AM proposed that putting a post on Social Media advising that Michael residents meet the criteria for applying to go on the waiting list for sheltered housing in Peel. 2nd DK, Carried DK asked if anyone could help with marshalling at the parish walk to contact her. CLIV showed the board a copy of the courier newspaper from 2014 which had an article on Coastal Erosion in Kirk Michael. Andrea Rivers DOI requested permission to put 30 minute signs on lamp posts by shops. Disabled parking will be 1 hour. Board approved this enforcement action DL requested that CLIV mention parking issues on zigzag lines and double yellow lines at next NPTLT meeting CLIV advised Board that she had received a thank you letter from Lieutenant Governor and Lady Lorimer who enjoyed their visit to the District CLIV mentioned that Mr Alan Brew will be representing Kirk Michael at the Tynwald Garden Party at the Governor's Mansion DL asked if there had been any further correspondence with the Chief Constable to re-arrange his visit to the Board. GO to send a letter requesting a new date.		GO CLIV GO
14	Date of next meeting - 12th June 2024		
	Meeting closed at 21.09		