



Jurby Parish Commissioners

Barrantee Skeerey Yurby

Minutes of the Meeting of the Jurby Parish Commissioners Held on Monday 11 December 2023 at 7.00 pm, Parish Hall, Bretney Road, Jurby.

Present: Mrs K L Charman (KLC) (Chair), Mrs S J Melvin (SJM), Mr D Hope (DH), Ms L J Kennedy (LJK).

In attendance: Acting Clerk (Mr P Gawne), members of the public.

Apologies: Lee Quaggan (LQ).

1. The minutes of the last monthly meeting were agreed and signed.
2. **Matters arising from last meeting**
 - i) Jurby Sports Hall Project – nothing to report
 - ii) Follow up with Brett Woods of DOI re Parade Ground for TT 2024 – It was agreed that the Acting Clerk would try to follow up the requested permission to use the Parade ground as a camp site. It was noted that the glass is still there
 - iii) Dog byelaws – it was agreed to await the Clerk's return before progressing these further.
 - iv) Palm Court – derelict state – it was noted that the owner is drawing up plans for improvement.
 - v) Play Park public meeting – it was agreed that either the Clerk or Acting Clerk would ask the Captain of the Parish if he'll chair a public meeting
 - vi) BMX track and JNCI – no update.
 - vii) Scrap cars and other issues in Industrial Estate – nothing further to report.
 - viii) Beach access at Sartfield – it was agreed that the Acting Clerk would write to the DOI thanking the Department and its officers for a job well done.
 - ix) Glass on Parade Square – the glass is still there – some of it had been swept under the recycling bin and there is still glass all over the Parade Square
 - x) Gorse and Ragwort on Parade Ground – the Acting Clerk will ask for this to be attended to.
 - xi) Zebra crossing streetlight – it was noted that both lights are now out. The Acting Clerk will ask for this to be attended to.
 - xii) Undressed pavements – Lezayre to Ballaugh St Judes through to Jurby Road, and Ballamooar through to Jurby need to be repaired. The Acting Clerk will ask for this to be attended to.
 - xiii) Light timing of streetlights in parish – it was noted that the lights used to be on in the morning so it was questioned why it was going to cost to get this sorted now. The Acting Clerk will ask.
 - xiv) Mobile & Family Library – due to LQ's absence it was agreed to consider the matter at the next meeting.
 - xv) Tynwald Auditor General - The Board noted that its Financial Statements are relatively simple compared to those of larger Local Authorities and those with housing stock. The Board was particularly keen to ensure that the Financial Statements and the Assurance Review should help the general public's understanding of the financial situation of the Parish. In particular, the Board hoped that the Tynwald Auditor General would be endeavouring to ensure that any fixed minimum price is as low as possible and tiered for the amount of work required.
 - xvi) Phase 3 Community Hub – nothing further
 - xvii) Lights at School Close – The Acting Clerk had received confirmation that these were the responsibility of either DOI or DESC. He will pursue the matter further.

- xviii) Bretney Rd building work – the Board remains concerned about this development, in particular the narrowness of the road. It was agreed that the Acting Clerk would write to the local MHKs inviting them to consider the road narrowing caused by the new development at Ballagarraghyn and meet with the Board to discuss the matter.
- xix) Government Conference presentations – these are now available online.
- xx) Fire hydrant checking – the Acting Clerk had received the following message from the Fire Services Divisional Officer –
“Hydrant maintenance is undertaken by crews from fire stations across the island on a rolling program. Crews from Kirk Michael were inspecting hydrants in Jurby parish last week with only 1 defect being reported so far.

Regarding the hydrants that weren't working the confusion may lay along Ballamenagh road as there has been a replacement water main. There are 2 hydrants on the Doctors / shop / school side of the road (Ballamenagh Road) that don't work but the hydrants opposite them on the industrial estate side of the road do work.”

3. Correspondence

- i) Local Government (Members' Attendance Allowances) Order 2013 – the Board decided not to submit views on this matter.
- ii) Built Environment Reform Programme - Consultation on Changes to Town Planning Secondary Legislation – the Acting Clerk briefed the Board on this but no decision was taken to submit views on the matter.
- iii) GV AD&N 43 – this was noted.
- iv) 2023 Charity Tractor Run – this was noted.
- v) Bride Parish Commissioners - The Northern District Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee Agreement. The correspondence from Bride was noted. It was agreed that the Jurby representative on the NDCAS Joint Committee should ensure that correct legal process is followed. It was further agreed that Bride's fairness challenge was somewhat weak bearing in mind the significant benefit that Bride received from commercial rates.

4. Town & Country Planning

- i) See spreadsheet – there was no objection to the two applications considered.
- ii) Sign Fourth Schedule – see private meeting

5. Any other business

- i) Parish road sweeping – Threshold – it was noted that workmen are making a mess on the road as part of the housing development work. It was further noted that the first team did a good job but the second team haven't put plates down so they're sinking into the grass and then leaving mud on the road. It was agreed that the Acting Clerk would write to DoI Housing requesting that greater care be taken.
- ii) Summer Hill Road and Ballamooar Straight need sweeping - It was agreed that the Acting Clerk would write to the sweeping contractor to ask for this to be done.
- iii) New Flag – it was agreed that the Acting Clerk would ask Colas if they have any.
- iv) Next meeting date 8th Jan – the Acting Clerk will check with the Clerk to see whether he will be ready to return in January.