



## **ANDREAS PARISH COMMISSIONERS**

*BARRANTEE SKEEREY ANDREAYS*

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### **Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at 7.30pm in Andreas Parish Hall, Smeale Road, Andreas**

Members Present: Mrs JEH Faragher JF; Mrs Susan Craine (SC); Mr A Silverston (AS); Mr D Bolton (DB); Mr S Morrey (SM)

In attendance – Clerk (Ms M Callow)

#### **PUBLIC SESSION**

1. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 having been circulated, were taken as read and approved. Proposed by SC and 2<sup>nd</sup> by DB, they were signed by the Chair JF, as a correct record.
2. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025.
  - a) There has been no further information regarding the speed checks in St Judes and Ballacorey corner. The Clerk will contact Tim Johnson MHK for any further updates
  - b) The Clerk asked if Board Members would lobby the DOI Minister and area MHK's with regards to the Rural Speed Order raised in July 5<sup>th</sup> 2024 for buffer zones to be erected at the village entrances as to date there has only been correspondence from the DOI Minister which says this *may* happen later this year. (email from DOI Minister 29<sup>th</sup> May 2025)
  - c) Local Government Amendments Bill 2023. The Proposed New Clause 1 has been sent to the MLC's for consideration. Local Authorities are preparing to lobby the MLC's on this issue.
  - d) The proposed new sub-station for the MUA at Little Meddow entrance will be an upgrade to enable connection for the new development at Oatlands. Discussions are ongoing between MUA, APC and Kelnorth Developments for the re-siting of this.
  - e) The Clerk has yet to contact DfE details of the Town and Village regeneration scheme with regards to the refurbishment of the public toilets. This item was discussed but will be deferred until another meeting.

- f) The Clerk asked if additional wire netting to protect the public toilet windows could be arranged. The Board agreed to this.
- g) The Clerk confirmed that the Hall electrics inspection has been requested

### **3. Correspondence**

- a) Received from IOM Municipal Association – details of fees and meetings. The Board nominated Mrs S Craine to attend this; and Mr D Bolton to attend when she is unavailable.
- b) The Chair received an invitation from Office of Clerk of Tynwald to Tynwald Garden Party 2025. This was noted but no Members are available to attend.
- c) The Waste Management Unit forwarded the draft agreement for NCAS with request for confirmation from Local Authorities of their position regarding this. The Clerk confirmed that a revised version of this has already been signed and returned to DOI in April.
- d) Information from owner of Auburn House regarding felling of tree and request for financial assistance from Commissioners towards road closure fees. The Board agreed that a sum could be allocated to this work.
- e) Received from DOI Highways – notice of road closure for B6 Oatlands Road for installation of road studs. Comments regarding the scheduling of this proposed work have been emailed to DOI by the Clerk
- f) Request from Office of Clerk of Tynwald for details of local events for Manx National Weekend 5-7 July. This was noted but the Board have no plans for any events.
- g) Received from DOI Highways – notice of road closure for A17 Andreas Rd from 16<sup>th</sup> June – 16<sup>th</sup> December for water mains replacement. Noted.

### **4. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING**

PA 25/90378/B. Blue Point Yard, Ballawhane Farm, Leodest Road, Andreas IM7 3EG.  
Extension to existing shed for hay production/ storage

*APC have no objections to this*

PA 22/00858/A

Spring Bank, Bride Road, Andreas. Approval in principle for the erection of 7 detached bungalows addressing the site and means of access. WITHDRAWN

### **Decisions by Planning Department**

PA 24/00217/B. Orchard Cottage, Oatlands Road, Andreas. Erection of detached building to be used as garage for the existing dwelling and residential annex of additional accommodation. REFUSED

### **Withdrawal of Appeal**

AP21/0031. Keldevelopments Ltd. Appeal against the approval for erection of 27 dwellings with associated access, drainage and open space.

### **5. New Village Play Park & official opening**

- a) The Clerk confirmed the CCTV for the Play Park has been ordered.
- b) The Clerk confirmed the Signage for the Park has been ordered.
- c) The Official Opening has been confirmed for Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm.  
Commissioners to arrange catering.
- d) The dismantling of the old park equipment except rocking horse and picnic table will be undertaken as soon as possible.
- e) The Board expressed their thanks to DB for sowing the grass seed at the surrounding area of the Park.

### **6. Andreas War Memorial refurbishment**

DB provided quotes for work to the War Memorial paving slabs. The Commissioners considered these and provisionally agreed to replacing the slabs and installing them. Quotes are still being sought regarding the refurbishment of the column which will probably involve being repainted by K Rend product. However, the Commissioners wish to revert to the colour originally requested of a yellow sandstone – not red sandstone – and will seek approval from the War Memorial Preservation Committee regarding this. The CP will be asked if he still wishes to include another plaque on the column but this will not be financed by the Commissioners and must fit in with any work schedule.

7. Climate Change Report for Y/E March 2025. The Board confirmed that several 1000 trees have been planted in the Parish over recent years. The main priority for the Board is the Parish Hall which is currently heated by oil fired central heating. However, as there is still no practical, efficient alternative to this for such a building, and the boilers are still relatively new they are reluctant to change this at this time. The proposed alternative energy site at Andreas Old Airfield is still under discussion and this may provide other options for the Board. It was also reported that the rollout of replacement LED street lights is ongoing.

### **8. Any Other Business**

- a) The Clerk reported that there has been several issues over the last month including a broken window at Parish Hall, blocked toilets on May Bank Holiday weekend which led to the toilets being closed, the guttering broken once again at the Public toilets, and incidents of golf being played on the sports field which is extremely dangerous. All of these matters have been dealt with but not only distract from the regular work for the Parish but incur added expense to fix the damage.

- b)** The Clerk suggested that the Commissioners consider activities for older children in the village – such as Youth Club, cadets or scouts etc. It was reported that people are unwilling to organise and run activities now due to the bureaucracy and safety training involved. DB reported a request for a BMX track in the village and options for this may be further considered but not at rate payers expense.
- c)** The Clerk reported that there are several incidents of Ash Dieback around the Parish including trees behind the Hall which will be removed as soon as possible.
- d)** The Board agreed that the Flag pole would be reinstated at the Parish Hall. JF was elected as flag monitor.

There being no further business to discuss the Chair closed the meeting at 10.10 pm

Date for next meeting Tuesday 1st July

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