



ANDREAS PARISH COMMISSIONERS

BARRANTEE SKEEREY ANDREAYS

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Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th July 2026 at 7.15pm in Andreas Parish Hall, Smeale Road, Andreas

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

In attendance –Clerk (Ms M Callow); Ms Julia Baker

PUBLIC SESSION

1. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th June 2026 having been circulated, were taken as read and approved. Proposed by SC and 2nd by SM, they were signed by the Chair JF as a correct record.
2. Matters arising from the meeting held on Tuesday 9th June 2026 not included in the Agenda:
 - a) SC reported that SIDs have been installed on the A17 approach to St Judes from Sulby Bridge which is assumed as part of the St Judes action group to reduce speed in the area.
 - b) The Board noted that 40 mph speed buffer zones have been installed around the village as per the Road Traffic Order – July 2024. Questions were raised about the safety of traffic travelling at 40mph or faster along Smeale Road and other B routes to and from the village and this will be relayed to DOI Highways. The Board had hoped for a 40mph buffer to be placed on the Burma Road on its approach to the village and will continue to ask for this to be installed
 - c) The Clerk reported that Kompan has agreed to replace working parts on the Wheelchair carousel FOC under warranty, but Kompan has yet to confirm that the replacement parts will be covered by 12 month warranty and when the repair will take place.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) 15/6/26. Received from Cabinet Office – request to take part in Isle of Man Business Environment and Conditions Survey. Closes 10th July
- b) 17/6/26. received from Manx Wildlife Trust – invitation to the next Northern Group meeting on 16th July, 7pm at Ramsey Town Hall. Noted
- c) 18/6/26. Further correspondence received from a local resident regarding dog training at Parish Hall and surrounding area. The Trainer has been advised that the green space surrounding the Hall should not be used for training, and to ensure that all dogs are kept under control when using pavements around the area.
- d) 18/6/26. Notice received from DOI of further road closures for surface dressing and line painting on A17 St Judes Road on 15th July.
- e) 18 & 26/6/26. Notices received from Marine Infrastructure Planning regarding Mooir Vannin project. Deadline for responses and dates for Public meetings. It was commented by Commissioners that the meetings are arranged during the working days and difficult to attend.
- f) 19/6/26. Email received from DOI Central support regarding FOI request for communications between DOI and its Ministers with and/or about Local Authorities since January 1st 2025 relating to the operation of Civic Amenity site, with particular reference to Manx Rock Ltd. This was responded to by AS, representative for NCAS Joint Committee.
- g) 29/6/26. Open letter received from Alf Caine sent to members of Tynwald calling for an independent strategic review of the Isle of Man Meat Company, and the way public funds are used to support the Islands livestock industry.
- h) 1/7/26. Received from Alf Caine – copy of petition of Redress of Grievance to be presented to Tynwald Court on Tynwald Day regarding road safety concerns on Ballaoates Road, Braddan
- i) 2/7/26. Received from IOM Sawmills – details of Christmas trees sizes and prices including delivery for 2026. (SC left the meeting at this point.)
The Board noted the costs for purchase and delivery from IOM Sawmills and decided that if Andreas Christmas Trees would provide a tree and deliver at the same cost it would be purchased from Andreas Christmas trees.
(SC rejoined the meeting.)
- j) 25/6 & 1/7/26. Correspondence received from Local resident and DOI Liaison Officer regarding overgrown hedges on A9 Andreas Road. APC have responded to this and will continue with their schedule for hedge cutting and sweeping. It was noted that the section of roadway in Lezayre is very overgrown and untidy and this is most probably the cause of concern as residents and possibly the Officer are not familiar with boundary lines.
- k) 3/7/26. Reminder received from Marine Infrastructure Planning regarding Mooir Vannin project dates for specific hearings
- l) 3/7/26. Received from Treasury – 2nd Supplemental list for 206.
- m) 7/7/26. Received from Castletown Commissioners – invite to Civic Service on Sunday 9th August.

- n) 7/7/26. Received from Forestry, Amenity and Lands Directorate an invitation to CAVAT – Capital Asset Valuation for Amenity Trees on 9th September in Laxey Glen at a cost of approx. £200. Noted.

4. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING

PA 26/00509/B Land adjacent to Close Lake Bungalow, Jurby Road, Andreas. Demolition of existing structure and erection of replacement storage building and boundary fence.

APC have no objection to this application

5. NCAS

Re: Formation of Joint Board Order

Following the letter from Lezayre Commissioners (3/7/26), Andreas Commissioners agreed that until DOI has provided written assurance that the forming of the Joint Board will fully commit all 7 Authorities to the continuing provision of the Northern Civic Amenity Site using the funding method currently in place, they are not confident in allowing the vote for this order to be progressed.

However, as previous meetings with DOI have indicated that this would be the case, Andreas Board would prefer NOT to defer the vote until October, as they believe that Bride's arguments against the funding method will remain the same (as they have for the past number of years during this dispute and consequent disbanding of the Committee). It is important to resolve this matter quickly and ensure the site is kept open for all northern residents.

At this stage, Andreas' representative for NCAS is actively pursuing DOI to provide clarity on this matter and also requesting a meeting with all involved parties ASAP ahead of the Tynwald vote to assure the Local Authorities in order that this vote can be taken to July Tynwald.

AS also reported that the re-use shed is now open on a limited trial basis.

6. WAR MEMORIAL REFURBISHMENT

DB and the Clerk will contact the selected contractor to check start date for this work. (A sample colour has been provided and this has been approved by Board members).

7. PARISH STREET LIGHTING UPGRADE

Costs for the LED Vinto units are not yet available. The Clerk will continue to chase for this in order to arrange the next stage of the streetlights upgrade

8. Blein ny Gaelgey - YEAR OF MANX LANGUAGE – SIGNPOST PROJECT

SC and JF have forwarded a quote for this to Culture Vannin. CV next meeting will be in September where this will be considered. The project cannot proceed until funding has been approved.

9. PARISH HALL PAINTING – Deferred to private matters to consider quotes

10. PARISH HALL KITCHEN REFURBISHMENT - Deferred to private matters to consider quote. It was agreed that any available Members would meet with contractor next week to discuss plans.

11. AOB

- a) Further question from Crowes IOM regarding Basic Examination for year end March 2025; re: Property valuation March 2024. *“In relation to the land and buildings revalued in 2024 at £575,000, could you please confirm whether management has assessed if there have been any significant changes in fair value since that revaluation? Specifically, we are looking for consideration of factors that might indicate a material movement in the carrying amount as of the current reporting date, and any supporting evidence or analysis performed to support this assessment?”*

The board will forward the following response to Crowes: *“The last valuation was performed as at 31 March 24 when only a small change in the value of land and buildings was recorded. The Board are aware from finance officer meetings and discussions with other authorities that since that date to 31 March 2025 there has been a relatively limited increase in value only. This is also consistent with their knowledge of local property prices. The Board do not own any housing and the parish hall, conveniences and other land and building would have appeal only to a select number of potential purchasers. There are no other indicators of a significant movement in the value of land and building in the parish of which the Board are aware. On this basis, the Board are content that the valuation of the land and property owned is not materially misstated and that no interim valuation is required.”*

- b) Clerk is pursuing MUA to complete paperwork to return site area of former substation at Little Meddow entrance to Andreas Commissioners. It's understood that the developer to restore this area and return it to grassed POS.
(Edit: Information received from MUA 8th July 2026, Manx Utilities is required to follow a formal disposal process in accordance with Government Financial Regulations, which includes obtaining approval from both the Manx Utilities Board and Treasury before any disposal can proceed. As part of this process, the Department of Infrastructure will notify Government Departments and Local Authorities that Manx Utilities no longer requires the site and invite expressions of interest. Andreas Commissioners would therefore have the opportunity to register their interest at that stage. I have noted the Commissioners' interest in the site and will ensure this is taken into account when the formal disposal process is commenced. Given the approval and conveyancing processes involved, it is likely to take several months before any disposal can be concluded.)
- c) DB reported that an extra-ordinary meeting of NLASPB was held to discuss plans to install solar panels and air heat pumps at the pool as IOM Government has now

released details of grants available for such schemes. The NLASPB Board has agreed to progress this project.

- d) The Chair requested that an inspection of the Public Toilets be undertaken to check the safety of the floor tiling in the Mens toilet as some have become loose. JF and DB will arrange this.
- e) The Clerk asked if the new door fixture for the fire doors in the store area of the Hall could be fitted asap. DB will arrange this.

There being no further business to discuss the Chair closed the meeting at 10 pm.

Date for next meeting – Tuesday 1st September 2026 to start at 7.15pm

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