



ANDREAS PARISH COMMISSIONERS

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Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1ST September 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)

PUBLIC SESSION

1. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th July 2026 having been circulated, were taken as read and approved. Proposed by SC and 2nd by AS, they were signed by the Chair JF as a correct record.
2. Matters arising from the meeting held on Tuesday 7th July 2026 not included in the Agenda
 - a) The 40 mph speed buffer zones have been installed around the village as per the Road Traffic Order – July 2024. The Commissioners are frustrated that the request for a 40mph buffer has not been placed on the Burma Road (A17) leading into the village as this has been raised repeatedly with DOI officers and the Minister at the time of consultation (M Heywood). The Commissioners will continue to request for a buffer zone on this stretch of road.

The Chair also reported that Andreas school are to request 20mph zones be placed on routes into the school. The Commissioners would support extra zoning in this area.

Correspondence has also been forwarded to the Police regarding excessive speeds on the A10 Coast Road section through Andreas Parish. A response from Police was noted and these issues can be discussed at the meeting with the area Inspector next month.
 - b) The Carousel roundabout. Confirmation from Kompan that the parts to repair it have been secured and a date is yet to be set for the work to take place. This fault was first reported in November last year when a repair took place, and reported again in April this year.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) 10/7/26 Marine Infrastructure Planning. Further details of public meetings and hearings taking place in relation to the Mooir Vannin project
- b) 10/7/26 Planning & Building control. Update on services provided regarding on-line services and staffing levels.
- c) 10.7.26 Cabinet Office – Regional Hubs. Further comments received in response to APC submission regarding the establishment of these Regional Hubs. Noted
- d) 10/7/26. Kirk Andreas Church council. Notice received of council's decision to proceed with a proposed legal agreement in regard to installing streetlights on the church lane which may potentially be included in the Commissioners overall contract with MUA. The installation, running costs and maintenance would to be funded by Andreas Church. This proposed legal agreement has yet to be produced and will be further discussed by APC before any commitment to this scheme.
- e) 22/7/26. Garff Commissioners. Letter received regarding Mooir Vannin and the possibility of Wind Farms around the Islands coastline, with regards to due diligence and other aspects around Mooir Vannin proposals. AS attended the meeting arranged by Garff Commissioners on 20th August but suggested that more information needs to be supplied by IOM Government to the public before any decisions are made.
- f) 28/7/26. Triskelion Tree Care provided details of services they offer for LA's. This was noted.
- g) 31/7/26. Marine Infrastructure Planning. Further details of public meetings and hearings taking place in relation to the Mooir Vannin project.
- h) 4/8/26. Financial Governance Division, Treasury provided an update on deadlines for signing of audited accounts for Local Authorities. With regard to Examinations, reports for the year end 31 March 2025 must be submitted by October 2026; and for year end 31 March 2026 must be submitted by 31 March 2027. From 2027 onwards the deadline reverts to 31 October following the relevant year end. APC accounts for year end March 2025 have been signed and are published on the website; and for year end March 2026 are currently being examined.
- i) 8/8/26 Royal Air Forces Association IOM. Invite to Battle of Britain church service at St Georges Church on 13th September. Noted
- j) 13/8/26. IOM Police. Response received from Sergeant C Beaumont regarding letter forwarded from the Clerk on behalf of residents on A10 Coast road highlighting dangerous driving and excessive speed on this route through Andreas Parish. Noted
- k) 18/8/26. Endor Consultants LLC. Expression of interest received regarding Independent Examiner of Accounts for future years. This was noted and the Commissioners requested the Clerk to obtain quotes for future examinations.
- l) 25/8/26. Notice of temporary road closure from DOI Highways for A10 Coast Road for Wednesday 2nd September.
- m) 26/8/26. Invitation received from Euroforest Arboriculture to a demonstration in the effective removal of Ash dieback trees on 8th & 9th September at Braddan Bridge.

This was noted but SM reported that this method of tree removal is currently used by arborists on the Island.

4. PLANNING & BUILDING CONTROL.

PA 26/00373/B Ballakinnag Cottage, Ballakinnag Rd, Smeale. Installation of a shepherd's hut within the curtilage of the property to provide short-term holiday accommodation.

APC have no objections to this application

PA 26/00551/B. Mayfield House, Smeale. Demolishing of existing shed and erection of new shed.

APC have no objections to this application

PA 26/00539/B. Part of technical site Former Andreas Airfield, Andreas IM7 4ES. Formation of a new link road on the northern part of field 124615.

APC have no objections to this application

DECISIONS BY PLANNING & BUILDING CONTROL.

PA 26/00201/B. Farmhouse, Ballacreebin, Bernahara Rd, Andreas. Erection of detached single story holiday cabin.

REFUSED. NOW AT APPEAL

PA 25/90710/B. Field 12114, Leodest Road, Andreas. Construction of two stable blocks with two new field entrances.

REFUSED.

5. NCAS

Tynwald approved the formation of a Joint Board for NCAS at July sitting.

Andreas Commissioners have been requested to nominate their representative for this Board and forward the information to DOI. SM proposed and JF 2nd that AS should continue to be the representative for APC and AS accepted.

DOI have also requested a substitute representative be nominated for this Joint Board; JF proposed SM; 2nd by AS, and SM accepted the role.

DOI officers will arrange a meeting for all affected Local Authorities to set up the Joint Board; the Clerk will chase DOI for a date.

An invoice for the first quarter for NCAS was received and is considerably higher than APC estimate for the period. APC have written to DOI and stated that they will pay contributions upto to original value estimated for this financial year but will have to review finances prior to any further payments for 2026-27.

6. WAR MEMORIAL REFURBISHMENT

The Programme of work for this has continued and should be completed shortly. DB has suggested that the gravel at the base should be replaced to finish the project. The Clerk will source suitable gravel and report back to the Commissioners.

An overview of the work has been forwarded to Mr Dalrymple for the War Memorial Preservation Committee.

7. PARISH STREET LIGHTING UPGRADE

Stage 3 for Bride Road (southern end) is scheduled to start shortly (3rd- 4th September). A change in procedure at MUA now requests pre-payment for these schemes which delayed the start of this stage as this information was not relayed to APC. The Clerk has also questioned MUA regarding the process for adoption of street lighting. To date there is no documented process for this procedure.

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

SC reported that she has forwarded the final estimate for this project in preparation for the meeting of Culture Vannin due to take place on 11 September where funding will be decided.

9. PARISH HALL PAINTING

The painting has completed week ending 14th August. There will be an increase on original quote as extra remedial work was required on some wall areas and the wooden doors. The Clerk reported that the roof will require attention next year – either cleaning or painting. The Board agreed this should be decided and costed prior to setting budgets for next year.

10. PARISH HALL KITCHEN REFURBISHMENT

The Clerk has forwarded the application to Manx Lottery Trust for funding based on the revised quote which includes appliances.

MLT will meet on 25th September to consider APC request.

11. PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AT CROIT NY KELLY

The Commissioners attended an informal meeting on-site with the site developers on 13th August to discuss the maintenance of the Public Open Space at this development. The Developers confirmed that a management company has been established to cover arrangement for grass cutting at the site and this is financially supported for several years. The Commissioners have not adopted this POS to date. The Board agreed that no further decisions on this site would be made until the development was finished (due mid 2027). The Clerk reported that all property searches for this site include specific information that the POS is not adopted.

Members asked if property purchasers are notified of the requirement for a Management Company but this has not been clarified.

12. AOB

- a) SC reported that she will source and fund shelving for the phone box to store books inside. The Board thanked Mrs Craine for this generous offer.

- b) DB reported that at the recent IOM Municipal Association meeting there was discussion regarding Members Allowances. The Clerk will prepare estimates for annual Members allowances for discussion for October meeting. Currently the Members have voted not to receive any allowance for financial year 26-27. If the Members vote for allowances to be awarded these will need to be included in future budgets.
- c) Local Government Amendment Bill 2023.
A Clerks forum was held on 12th August to discuss the actions required to move forward on the amendments. Clerks from Local Authorities have been invited to join workshops and there will be occasions where members will also be invited to consult on drafts being prepared. Copies of the presentation and proposed workshops were forwarded to Members.
- d) 24/8/26 request received from Inspector Wendy Barker to attend the Commissioners October meeting Tuesday 6th Oct. The Board agreed to meet at the start of the meeting on 6th October.
- e) Request from Andreas Produce Show to install permanent fittings in the Hall to hold the display boards. The Clerk has met committee members and these will be installed prior to September show.
- f) Independent Examination by Crowes IOM Ltd for year end March 2026. The Board reviewed the Internal control documentation and Fraud questionnaire for this examination and were satisfied with their previously prepared responses.
- g) To date there is no further progress from MUA regarding transferring ownership of the site of the former substation at Little Meddow entrance. APC will continue to maintain the area currently in their ownership, including the portion of the open ditch.
- h) Public Toilets. The Clerk suggested a separate on-site meeting to discuss all maintenance work prior to the next year's budget setting. It was agreed this should take place in October.
- i) Chain of Office – The Chair and Clerk will meet to discuss updating this ahead of October meeting
- j) The spare public seat (previously removed from Village area) is being refurbished and will be placed at Crellin's Grove roundabout.
- k) Andreas Airfield update. Two Members met with Ed Jessamine & Robert Morrey on 26th August. The siting of the battery storage is to be moved due to negative feedback regarding noise and visuals. DOI have suggested that there is a one-way system in and out of the site access on Burma Road to prevent congestion of route through village; traffic exiting the site would be directed along Burma Road towards Bride. Planning has not yet been submitted but it is hoped that this will be submitted prior to end of September.

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

Date for next meeting – Tuesday 6th October 2026 to start at 7.15pm

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