

PAST COMMISSIONERS

The Onchan Parish Commissioners were one of seventeen Parish Commissioners formed in November 1894 following elections held under the Local Government Amendment Act of 1894. At a meeting of the authority held in April 1895 it was agreed to form a separate authority for the village area of Onchan as facilities such as mains sewerage were to be provided and it was felt unfair that those living in the countryside, who would never benefit from these services, should have to pay for them via the rates. Tynwald approval was granted in July 1895 to the creation of Onchan Village Commissioners who held their first election in December of that year.

Both commissioners ran in parallel until 1st April 1986 when they merged to become Onchan District Commissioners. The new authority was split into two wards. Rural and Urban to correspond with the former Parish and Village areas and a rating differential was created for exactly the same reason as the splitting of the two areas in 1895.

The Onchan Act 2008 brought about the abolition of the two wards and the equalisation of rates over a period of time. The position of Rural Commissioner was abolished and the total number of commissioners was reduced from 10 to 7. Under changes in the Local Government Elections Act all commissioners now serve for four years rather than the three year term of office that applied from the start. Now all retire at the same time rather than by rotation at yearly intervals.

The following is an alphabetical list of all commissioners since 1894 with the exception of the current board who are listed elsewhere in this website. Full biographical details of all past members are contained in "Onchan Commissioners Directory", copies of which can be seen in the reference sections of Onchan Public Library, the Manx Museum Library and the Tynwald Library.

KEY

- ODC – Onchan District Commissioners
- OPC – Onchan Parish Commissioners
- OVC – Onchan Village Commissioners
- E – elected
- Co - co-opted under wartime regulations as no elections held
- Ch – chairman (dates relate to the period i.e. Nov 1938 – Nov 1939 from 1983 this was May to May)
- R – retired from office at end of term of office
- Res – resigned during term of office
- D – died in office
- L – lost seat at election

Askham Edwin	OVC E 1946 R 1949
Astill Gordon Kennaugh	ODC E 1999 Ch 2005/06 L 2008
Atkinson Benjamin	OVC E 1926 R 1929
Babb Stephen Richard J	ODC E 2008 Res 2009
Barcroft Douglas Clucas	OVC E 1936 Ch 1939/40 Res 1952
Barron George William	OVC Co 1917 Ch 1921/22, 1930/31, 1933/35, R 1952
Braidwood Robert Philip	OVC E 1983 ODC 1986 Res 1987
Briggs Harvey Moss	OPC E1967 Ch 1979/80 ODC 1986 (April/May) R 1986

Broadbent Richard Maltby	OVC E 1895 Ch 1897/1902 R 1903
Butler Cecil Lewis	OVC E 1947 D 1949
Cain William Wilson Stanley	OVC E 1968 R 1969
Caley Douglas Mervyn	OPC E 1973 Ch 1980/81 R 1982
Caley Norman Dawson	ODC E 1998 L 2001
Callin Alured Arnold	OVC E 1954 Ch 1958/60, 1971/73, 1974/75 Res 1976
Callin James Bramwell	OVC E 1977 Ch 1984/85 ODC 1986 Ch 1990/91 R 1996
Callow Frederick George	OPC E 1894 Ch 1894/97 R 1897, OVC E 1895 Ch 1895/97 Res 1900
Caren Thomas Arnold	OVC E 1953, Ch 1957/58, L 1959
Clague Granville William Quayle	OVC E 1948 Res 1950
Clelland John James	OPC E 1946 R 1961 E 1963 R 1970
Clucas Albert	OVC E 1972 L 1973
Colebourn Douglas Arthur	OVC E 1951 L 1962
Corkill Jack	OVC E 1956 L 1957
Corkill Keren Jane	ODC E 1988 Ch 1994/95 R 1998
Corkill Richard Kenneth	ODC E 1988 R 1991
Coole Henry Edward	OPC E 1946 Ch 1949/55 R 1961
Corlett Stanley	OPC Co 1944 Ch 1946/49, 1961/64 R 1964
Corrin John	OVC E 1913 L 1926 E 1927 R 1930
Cowell David Moore	ODC E 1994 R 2000
Cowell William Frederick	OVC E 1903 Ch 1906/07 Res 1908
Cowin Robert Joseph	OPC E 1897 Ch 1925/28 R 1935
Cowin Robert Stanley	OPC Co 1919 Ch 1931/34, 1943/46 R 1952
Cowley John Cannell	OPC E 1894 R 1897 OVC E 1895 R 1903
Cowley William Douglas	OVC E 1930 Res 1933
Craine Thomas	OVC E 1959 Ch 1962/64 R 1971
Craine William Albert	OVC E 1912 Ch 1915/16, 1919/20, 1924/25, 1927/28, 1929/30, 1932/33, 1935/36 L 1937
Creer John Robert	OVC E 1953 Ch 1956/57 Res 1963 E 1964 Ch 1968/70 Res 1971
Cretney Joseph	OPC E 1897 R 1916
Cretney Louis Ronald	OVC E 1977 Ch 1983/84 ODC 1986 R 1988
Daugherty John Sayle	OVC E 1950 L 1953
Davison George	OVC E 1969 Res 1974
Dinsdale Herbert Snelson	OVC E 1960 L 1963
Eagles Thomas	OVC E 1938 R 1948

Earnshaw Adrian John	ODC E 1996 Ch 2000/01 Res 2001
Errington George	OVC E 1950 Ch 1953/54 Res 1956
Faragher Graham John	ODC E 1995 L 1996
Faragher John Maurice	OVC E 1982 ODC 1986 Ch 1988/89 R 1989
Fargher Frank Corkill	OVC E 1929 L 1932
Fargher John Arthur	ODC E 1992 D 1999
Gardner Arthur	OVC E 1937 R 1946
Gill Alexander	OVC E 1904 Ch 1907/08, 1913/14, 1917/18 D 1919
Gill Charles	OVC Co 1919 R 1923 E 1924 Ch 1926/27 Res 1927
Gill Charles Henry	OVC E 1932 R 1935
Goldsmith Thomas Ernest	OPC E 1966 Ch 1977/78 R 1979
Goodby Robert Patrick	OPC E 1982 Ch 1984/85 ODC (April/May) 1986 R 1986
Graham Joseph Robert	OVC E 1963 R 1966
Griffin Joan Patricia	ODC E 1996 R 1998
Griffin Frederick Ernest	OVC E 1974 Ch 1981/83 R 1985 ODC E 1987 Ch 1992/93 Res 1995
Hall Denise Vera	OVC E 1985 ODC 1986 Ch 1989/90 Res 1990
Harvey Frederick Arthur	OPC E 1967 Ch 1978/79, 1985/86 (March) ODC 1986/88 R 1988
Higgins Michael Gerald	OVC E 1972 Res 1975
Hodson Frederick Thomas Cregeen	OVC E 1934 R 1937
Hogg Theophilus	OVC E 1904 Ch 1908/10 D 1913
Holden Keith Edward	ODC E 1996 R 1999
Houghton Thomas	OVC E 1973 Ch 1977/78 R 1983 E 1984 ODC 1986 R 1987
Hyde John William Worrall	OVC E 1971 Ch 1975/76 Res 1976
Irwin Francis	OVC E 1909 Ch 1912/13 Res 1917
Jeffrey Sidney Redves	OVC E 1939 Res 1940
Jeffrey Victor Henry	OVC E 1936 D 1937
Johnson Frank Barnes	OVC E 1937 Ch 1946/47 R 1947
Johnson James Peter Edmund	OPC Co 1941 R 1946
Jones Gilbert Moorewood	OPC E 1897 Ch 1919/25, 1937/43 R 1946
Jones Gwilym Lloyd	OVC E 1948 Res 1953
Kaighen John Ceasar	OPC E 1935 R 1946

Kelly Elizabeth Jane Carol	ODC E 2002 R 2004
Kelly Peter Roy	OVC E 1975 R 1978
Kennaugh Maurice James	ODC E 1999 Ch 2004/05 R 2008
Kennaugh Peter Duff	OPC E 1979 Ch1981/83 ODC 1986 Ch 1991/92 R 1992
Kerruish John Leonard	OPC E 1970 R 1973
Kewley James	OVC E 1946 Res 1950
Killey Ellis Douglas Rudge	ODC E 1998 Ch 2003/04 L 2008
Kirk Percy Henry	OVC E 1935 D 1936
Kniveton John Raymond	ODC E 1988 Ch 1993/94 Res 1994 E 2009
Lewin Robert Thomas	OPC E 1897 Ch 1915/19 R1919
Lewin Thomas Richard	OVC E1900 L 1904
Lomas Thelma Martha	OPC E 1961 R 1967
McCubbin William James	OPC E 1961 Res 1963 E 1964 D 1966
Maddrell Donald Gelling	OVC E 1973 Ch 1978/79 Res 1981
Matheison Neil	OVC E 1947 Ch 1948/50 Res 1951
Megson Wendy Elizabeth	ODC E 2004 L 2008
Moore Alan Lowther	OVC E 1974 Ch 1980/81 R 1984
Moore John William	OPC E 1979 Ch 1983/84 R 1986
Moore William Edward	OPC E 1946 Ch 1955/61, 1964/77 R 1979
Moyer Peter	OVC E 1974 Ch 1979/80 ODC 1986 Ch 1987/88 R 1990
Newton Frank	OVC E 1899 Ch 1902/05 R 1909 E 1912 Ch 1914/15, 1918/19, 1923/24, 1927 (part) R 1928
Nicholls James Henry	OVC E 1928 Ch 1931/32, 1936/37, 1945/46 R 1947
Nivison Alexander	OVC E 1923 R 1935 E 1936 R 1938
Nivison John Allen Cowell Kennedy	OVC E 1947 Ch 1950/52, 1966/68 Res 1971
Norton Arthur Timothy William	ODC E 2001 Ch 2007/08 L 2008
Parkin Howard Lindsay Gordon	ODC E 1991 Ch 1998/99 R 2004
Payne Roger Alan	ODC E 1989 Ch 1995/96 Res 1996
Piercy George Henry	OPC E 1916 Ch 1934/37 R 1940
Preston John Thomas Quayle	OVC Co 1940 Ch 1941/45 D 1946
Quayle Norma Mary	ODC E 1986 R 1987
Quayle William Ewan	OVC E 1950 Ch 1952/53 R 1954

Quine Henry Stephen	OVC E 1966 Ch 1973/74 R 1974
Quirk David John	ODC E 1990 Ch 1996/97, 2001/02 Res 2006
Ranson Edmund	OVC E 1963 Ch 1970/71 Res 1971
Risley John	OVC E 1903 Ch 1905/06, 1910/11 R 1912
Savage James Denis	OVC E 1957 Res 1960
Sayle Thomas Ahab	OVC E 1935 R 1938
Shimmin John Craine	OPC E 1917 Ch 1928/31 D 1944
Shimmin John Cretney	OPC E 1952 R 1967
Shimmin John William	OPC E 1894 Ch 1897/15 R 1915
Skillicorn John Creer	OVC E 1949 Ch 1954/55 L 1955 E 1961 R 1964 E 1966 L 1972
Skillicorn John Frederick	OVC E 1958 Ch 1964/65 R 1973
Skillicorn Joseph Henry	OVC E 1934 D 1936
Skillicorn Robert	OPC E 1894 R 1897 OVC 1895 R 1904
Skillicorn Robert James	OVC E 1963 Ch 1966 (Sept – Dec) D 1968
Skillicorn Samuel	OVC E 1912 Ch 1920/21, 1925/26, 1928/29 R 1936
Stone Frank	OVC E 1952 L 1961 E 1962 Ch 1965/66 D 1966
Stott Robert Leonard	OVC E 1933 Ch 1937/39, 1947/48 R 1948
Taggart John	OPC 1894 R 1897 OVC E 1895 Res 1899
Taylor John Wright	OVC E 1949 L 1950
Thomason George Alfred	OVC E 1908 Ch 1911/12, 1916/17, 1922/23 R 1924
Waft George Henry	OVC E 1971 Ch 1976/77 ODC 1986 Ch 1986/87 Res 1991
Wasley Bertram Moore	OVC E 1971 R 1974 E 1978 Ch 1985/86 ODC 1986 Ch 1986 (April) D 1988
Watson John Frederick	OVC E 1937 Ch 1940/41 R 1947
Watterson Robert Stanley	OVC E 1952 Ch 1955/56, 1960/62 D 1963
Williams Ernest	OVC E 1955 D 1958