

# ONCHAN DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

Hawthorn Villa,  
Main Road, Onchan.

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**2<sup>nd</sup> July 2008**

Sir/Madam,

You are hereby summoned to attend an **ORDINARY meeting of the Authority (focus: *environmental and technical services*)** to be held in the Boardroom, at Hawthorn Villa, 79 Main Road, Onchan, to transact the undernoted business at:

**7.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> July 2008**

which will be followed by a meeting of the Board sitting *In Committee*.

Yours faithfully,

**P.M. HULME**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE/CLERK**

## AGENDA

*The order of business at every meeting of the authority shall be in accordance with that laid down in Standing Order No 13 unless varied by the Chairman at his discretion (with the exception of items 1, 2, 4 or 4 which cannot be varied) or by a resolution duly moved and seconded and passed on a motion which shall be moved and put without discussion.*

**1. To choose a person to preside if the Chairman and vice-chairman be absent**

**2. To deal with any business required by statute to be done before any other business**

**3. To approve as a correct record and sign the Minutes of the:-**

3.1 Ordinary meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2008 **(Minutes – Appendix 3.1)**

**4. To dispose of any relevant business adjourned from a previous meeting.**

None

**5. To deal with any business expressly required by statute to be done.**

None

- 6. To consider any planning decisions/communications from the Department of Local Government and the Environment Planning Committee.**
- 7.1 Plans for consideration *(Appendix 7.1)*  
7.2 Planning Communications *(Appendix 7.2)*
- 7. Consideration of any report from the Clerk or other officer**
- 8. Consideration of any relevant correspondence**
- 8.1 Peel Town Commissioners Civic Sunday *(Previously circulated)*  
8.2 Laxey Village Commissioners Civic Sunday *(Previously circulated)*  
8.3 Isle of Man Fire and Rescue Service invitation *(Previously circulated)*
- 10. To consider Motions in the order in which notice has been received. (Note: See Standing Order No14, 15, 16 and 17 attached)**
- 11. Chairman's Announcements**
- Chairman to report
- 12. Other Business, as authorized by the Chairman for consideration.**

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the **ONCHAN DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS (focus: Finance and General Purposes)** held in the Boardroom, Hawthorn Villa, Main Road, Onchan, on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2008 at 7.05 p.m.

**Present:**

Mr D. Crellin	(Chairman)
Mr E.J. Thorn	(Lead Member – Finance and General Purposes)
Mr S.R.J. Babb	
Mr S.T. Black	
Mrs J. Kelly	
Mr B. Stowell	
Mr J.K. Watterson	

**In Attendance:**

Mr T.R. Craig	(Deputy Clerk)
Mr B.T. Price	(District Surveyor)
Mr C.D.C. Clague	(Chief Finance Officer)
Ms A.S. Dentith	(Personal Assistant)

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**C08/06/03/01**  
**TO CHOOSE A PERSON TO PRESIDE IF THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN BE ABSENT**

Not necessary.

**C08/06/03/02**  
**BUSINESS REQUIRED TO BE DEALT WITH BY STATUTE**

None.

**C08/06/03/03**  
**MINUTES**

**1. Ordinary meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2008**

The minutes of the public section of the ordinary meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2008, copies of which having previously been circulated, were considered.

**1.1 C08/06/01/05(1) – Skateboard Park**

It was agreed that the resolution should now read:-

***RESOLVED that Laxey Village Commissioners be approached with a view to hiring the mobile skateboard park for two weeks during the summer holidays for a trial period of 2 weeks on the understanding that it was not a fair evaluation of the need for the facility.***

**(a) Skateboard Park – Memorandum dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2008**

Chairman advised:-

- Laxey Village Commissioners have agreed to the hire of the skateboard equipment for a two week period
- Two week period to be one week before the commencement of the school holidays and the first week of the school summer holidays
- Hire charge £200, which would be used towards future maintenance of the equipment
- ODC to collect, transport, bringing back and reassembling the equipment from whence it was taken
- ODC to repair any damage which might be caused

District Surveyor will liaise with the Amenities Officer to make arrangements for the transportation.

After discussion it was proposed by Mr Watterson, seconded by Mr Stowell and unanimously **RESOLVED that the skateboard park temporary equipment would be placed at the Youth and Community Centre Car Park at the Village Walk side.**

**Suitable safety fencing be installed to divide the area from vehicular traffic in the car park to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.**

Deputy Clerk to notify the residents at Springfield Court and Nursery Avenue of the temporary arrangement.

The Deputy Clerk advised that whilst the equipment is reasonably substantial, it is fairly mobile, need to find a way of securing the equipment to the ground.

**1.2 C08/06/01/07 – PA08/00995 – 2 Slegaby Cottages, Ballacottier Road**

Correct wording to read proposed replacement porch

**1.3 C08/06/01/08(1) – Street Cleaning Operator – Training**

District Surveyor advised that the Department of Transport do not consider any additional training is required at present. He further advised that the down time was minimal.

**1.4 C08/06/01/08(8) – Smiley Face**

The Chairman advised that the Smiley Face was still not charging, District Surveyor to pursue.

**1.5 C08/06/01/07(2) – Schedule of Planning Communications**

As a result of a discussion, the District Surveyor was asked that he contact the Planning Department of the Department of Local Government and the Environment to enquire if any objections are received prior to consideration of the communication.

**2. Extraordinary meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2008**

The minutes of the public section of the ordinary meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2008, copies of which having previously been circulated, were considered. Tennis Club on Page 3, open day was held on 24<sup>th</sup> May, it was agreed that after amendment the minutes be signed by the Chairman.

**C08/06/03/04**

**BUSINESS ARISING NOT REFERRED TO IN THE MINUTES OF ANY SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

None.

**C08/06/03/05**

**BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

None.

**C08/06/03/06**

**ANY BUSINESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED BY STATUTE TO BE DONE**

None.

**C08/06/03/07**

**PLANNING DECISIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE ENVIRONMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**1. Plans to the board**

08/00926 Lower Sulby Farm, Scollag Road – amended road layout to proposed development. The new layout has a more sweeping route and is more considerate to existing site levels.

After a brief discussion it was unanimously **RESOLVED to approve the application as submitted.**

- 08/01027 "Foxrock", 4 Manor Park – proposed replacement of existing conservatory with a slightly larger sunroom to the rear elevation.
- After a brief discussion it was unanimously **RESOLVED to approve the application as submitted.**
- 08/01067 7 Links View – kitchen extension to the front of the property bringing the front wall of the kitchen in line with an existing bedroom.
- After a brief discussion it was unanimously **RESOLVED to approve the application as submitted.**
- 08/01071 Coutts House, Summerhill Road – amendments to existing approval altering the sizes of 4 windows and increasing the proposed size of the conservatory to the gatehouse.
- After a brief discussion it was unanimously **RESOLVED to approve the application as submitted.**
- 08/01072 75 King Edward Road – replacement of polycarbonate roof to existing conservatory with tiled roof to front of property.
- After a brief discussion it was unanimously **RESOLVED to approve the application, subject to tiles matching style and colour of main roof.**
- 08/01076 52 Howe Road – retrospective application for fence to boundary between 52 and 54. Permitted height is 2m actual height is 2.5 m.
- District Surveyor advised that the height is measured from the lowest side and he recommended that as it appeared to be a neighbour dispute that no observation be offered and let the Planning Department make the recommendation.
- It was proposed by Mr Watterson, seconded by Mr Babb, that as the fence looked tidy and had been well installed, that the application be approved.  
*For: Messrs Thorn, Watterson, Babb*  
*Against: Mrs Kelly and Messrs Black and Stowell*
- On the casting vote of the Chairman the proposal fell.
- On the proposal of Mr Stowell, seconded by Mrs Kelly and unanimously **RESOLVED to agree with the recommendation of the District Surveyor the planning application PLA 08/01076 – 52 Howe Road, appeared to be a neighbour dispute and that no observation be offered.**

**C08/05/03/08**  
**FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT**

The Finance Officer's Report copies of which having previously been circulated was considered and arising therefrom:-

**1. Rates Collected**

It was noted that the total estimated collectable rates and cash received in the current financial year to 10<sup>th</sup> June 2008 compared with the previous financial year were as follows:-

2008/09 estimated amount collectable including arrears brought forward	£2,038,880.00
2007/08 collected to 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2008 less refunds	£ 736,726.00(36.13%)

Comparative figures

2007/08 estimated amount collectable including arrears brought forward	£1,670,647.00
2007/08 collected to 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2007 less refunds	£ 547,133.00(32.75%)

The Finance Officer advised that there was an increase of 3.38% on the previous year's collections.

2. **Revenue Account Payments**

1. **Purchase Ledger**

The lists of payments from revenue account during the month of May 2008 copies of which having previously been circulated were considered. Following discussion, it was subsequently ***RESOLVED that the said payments from revenue account as detailed on the list attached to the minutes be endorsed.***

**C08/06/03/09**

**REPORT FROM THE CLERK OR OTHER OFFICER**

None.

**C08/06/03/10**

**LETTERS, PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**C08/05/03/11**

**MOTIONS**

None.

**C08/06/03/12**

**CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman attended the following:-

- The Enthronement and Installation of The Right Reverend Robert Mar Erskine Paterson Lord Bishop of Sodor and Man and Dean on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2008 at Peel Cathedral.
- Douglas Corporation – Civic Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2008

**C08/06/03/13**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

***There being no further public business  
the meeting terminated at 7.45 p.m. and the Board moved into Committee.***