

**MINUTES OF ISLE OF MAN MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING  
HELD AT BRADDAN COMMISSIONERS' OFFICES AT 7PM ON THURSDAY 25  
OCTOBER 2018**

**PRESENT**

Vivien Quane	Lezayre Commissioners	President & Chairman
Alison Lynch	Marown Commissioners	Vice Chairman
Adrian Cowin	Arbory Commissioners	
Andrew Jessopp	Braddan Commissioners	
Neal Mellon	Braddan Commissioners	
Raina Chatel	Douglas Borough Council	
Betty Quirk	Douglas Borough Council	
Tim Kenyon	Garff Commissioners	
Jamie Smith	Garff Commissioners	
Margaret Kennaugh	German Commissioners	
Bob Pilling	Malew Commissioners	
James Cherry	Onchan Commissioners	
Lindsay Ridley	Patrick Commissioners	
Alan Jones	Peel Commissioners	
Graham Connor	Secretary	

**Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed all members along with our guest speakers and felt sure that this would be a useful and productive meeting.

**Guest Dr Alex Allinson MHK (Manx Utilities) accompanied by Phil King (CEO) and Simon Clague (Financial Director)**

Alex was delighted to have been invited to the Municipal Association to share details of the Manx Utilities five-year strategy and answer any questions arising. The presentation was given under the following headings with the slides being available to view on the Municipal Association website:

- Manx Utilities
- Priorities
- Debt reduction
- Current indebtedness
- Future strategies
- Background to pricing review
- Direction of travel
- Pricing review objectives
- Charging principles
- Cost reflective tariff design
- Social tariffs? Universal water meters?
- How do Isle of Man electricity tariffs compare?
- Income projections
- Strategy summary
- Customer impact
- Five-year strategy

- Electric vehicles and charging
- Manx Utilities - street lighting and engaging environments
- Future technologies/smart cities

The floor was then opened to questions with the topics below amongst those being discussed:

- Commercial v domestic balance
- The future of electric vehicles and charging for electricity supplied
- New build integration of smart technology and planning enforcement
- Energy prices and anomalies
- MEA debt funding and cross-finance
- Managing people in crisis
- Air source heat pumps
- Tidal power
- Accountability to Tynwald
- Green energy loans and availability to Local Authorities
- Peel generator
- Disposal of mercury street lamps

The Chairman and Members thanked Alex and his team for their time and an interesting and thought-provoking presentation.

#### **Apologies for absence**

Apologies had been received from Carol Quine (Castletown), Chris Quirk (Onchan), Geoff Gelling (Patrick), Eddie Convery (Peel), Michelle Haywood (Port St Mary), Andy Cowie (Ramsey), and Peter Gunn (Rushen)

#### **Minutes of September 2018 meeting**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27 September were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

#### **Matters arising from minutes**

There were no matters arising.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

The report had been circulated and was noted.

#### **Secretary's Report**

The report had been circulated and was noted.

#### **S.A.V.E. and joined up service suggestions**

There were no items to be passed on to the D.O.I. this month.

#### **World War I Commemorations**

The World War I Committee had now been disbanded. Members were reminded to review and add any events still to take place to the website. It was noted that there were to be a series of bonfire beacons to mark the Centenary of the cessation of hostilities and a range of other local events.

**Any other business**

**a) Richmond Hill Consultative Committee**

Andrew Jessopp thanked Alan Jones on behalf of Braddan Commissioners for his ongoing efforts in seeking to hold Minister Boot to account regarding assurances given on the continued monitoring of the EFW plant. Alan advised that he would circulate any meaningful response once received.

**b) Future speakers**

Tim Baker had asked what topics Members wished him to cover in December. He is the Chairman of the Planning Committee, has responsibility for ports and airports and is the recently appointed Children’s champion. Members asked the Secretary to notify that they would like to hear about hot topics in all areas and have plenty of time for a Q&A session. **AP Secretary**

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Date of next meeting: **Thursday 29 November 2018 at 7pm.**

Signed.....Chairman

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