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14th December, 2022.

Mr. Chairman and Members,

The monthly **Public Meeting** of the Ramsey Town Commissioners will be held at 7.00 p.m. on **Wednesday evening next, 21st December, 2022**, in the Boardroom of the Town Hall, Ramsey.

BUSINESS:

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- Matters Raised by the Public
 - ❖ None received
- Representative Report(s):
 - ❖ Northern Local Authorities Swimming Pool Board
 - ❖ Manx Wildlife Trust (Open Meeting)



T. R. K. Cowin,
Town Clerk & Chief Executive

RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
[PUBLIC]

The Monthly Board Meeting of the Ramsey Town Commissioners was held in the Boardroom of the Town Hall, Ramsey, on Wednesday, 16th November, 2022, at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Mr. F. B. R. Williams, Miss L. L. Craine, Messrs. A. R. Beighton, G. S. Court, R. D. Cowell, S. R. Kelly, J. McGuinness, A. J. Oldham, L. Parker, L. I. Singer and W. G. Young.

Apologies for absence were received from Revd Canon N. D. Greenwood.

The Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, Finance Officer, Technical Services Manager, Housing and Property Manager, and Minute Clerk were in attendance.

(2022/23:220) Minutes:

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on 19th October, 2022, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

(2022/23:221) Matters Arising:

No matters were raised.

Matters for Information:

(2022/23:222) Action Tracker November, 2022:

Resolved: To note the “Action Tracker” to 9th November, 2022, subject to the following and accepting that some matters may be referred to within other Clauses of these minutes:-

- **Planning Enforcements...** – Mr. McGuinness queried the date of “13/9/21” appearing in the action column and was informed this was a typographical error and should read “13/9/22”. In response to a further query the Town Clerk confirmed that nothing further had been received from Planning Enforcement about these matters.
- **Ramsey Swing Bridge** (Register as a Protected Building) – in response to a query from Mr. Williams, the Town Clerk advised that nothing has been progressed by the Department of the Environment, Food and Agriculture about the possible registration of the Swing Bridge. It was proposed by Mr. Williams and agreed by consensus that this item be removed from the “Action Tracker”.
- **Bicycle Shelters** – Mr. Cowell queried progress on the installation of bicycle shelters – the Town Clerk advised that he had been assured that the target to install the shelters by the end of the year was feasible.

(2022/23:222) Action Tracker November, 2022 Continued:

- ***Ramsey Bags for Life*** – In response to a query from Mr. McGuinness it was noted that 87 of the Town Branded “Bags for Life” have been sold. It was proposed by Mr. McGuinness, seconded by Mr. Singer and agreed that 100 further bags be acquired. In response to a further query from Mr. Parker members were reminded that the bags are “self-funding”.
- ***Seagulls in the Mooragh Park*** – Mr. Beighton queried progress on this matter and was advised that following the advice of DEFA, costs to alleviate the problem are being sought and the matter will be considered as part of the budgetary process. Mr. Singer commented that the problem with seagulls was not restricted to just the park and that the problem was throughout the town. Mr. Kelly commented that all “seaside” towns had similar problems. Miss Craine reminded that gulls are a protected species but agreed that things should be able to be done to alleviate nuisances.

(2022/23:223) Action Tracker Budget Approved Projects:

Resolved: To note the Action Tracker of Budget Approved projects at 9th November, 2022.

(2022/23:224) Report Project Meeting Ramsey Quayside:

Resolved: To note the report of the meeting of the Ramsey Quayside Project held on 7th November, 2022.

Mr. McGuinness queried reference to agreement “on a united front”. The Town Clerk advised that it was intended that representatives at the meeting seek the respective views of the bodies they represent.

(2022/23:225) Chairman’s Report:

Resolved: To note the Chairman’s Report dated 10th November, 2022, subject to the following|: -

Mr. Singer advised that the “Isle of Man Music Society” was in fact Ramsey Music Society and took the opportunity to promote the Society’s next event on 21st November, 2022.

Finance and General Purposes:

(2022/23:226) Finance Officer's General Report:

Resolved: To note and approve the Finance Officer's general report dated 9th November, 2022, subject to the following:-

Summary of Revenue Income and Expenditure - Mr. Singer queried the differences in various heads of expenditure and was reminded that the comparison was the year to date compared with the full estimate for the financial year and not the results of the previous financial year.

Works and Development:

(2022/23:227) Technical Services Manager's Report - Planning Applications:

Resolved: To note the Technical Services Manager's Report dated 9th November, 2022, detailing planning applications received from the Department of the Environment, Food and Agriculture, under the planning consultation procedures, be noted subject to the following: -

REF NO: 4025
P.A. NO.: 22/01154/B
PROPOSED: Erection of single storey garage to the rear and installation of replacement French doors to existing rear window
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **31, Waterloo Road, Ramsey.**

It was proposed by Mr. McGuinness, seconded by Mr. Beighton and agreed that the Commission make no comment on this application and leave any decisions fully to the Planning Committee and other agencies. Mr. Young referred to cellars at Waterloo Road known to have flooded having resolved the problem by having cellars tanked.

REF NO: 4026
P.A. NO.: 22/01212/A
PROPOSED: Approval in principle for proposed residential development, addressing means of access and number of plots
NOTES: Approval in Principle
SITE: **The Auburns, 19, Lezayre Road, Ramsey.**

Mr. Kelly proposed that the Commission object to the proposals, which are considered over-intensive, in addition to being contrary to sections of the Isle of Man Strategic Plan with regard to back land development. Miss Craine seconded the proposal. Reference was made to the loss of 19 trees on the site which contained only one protected species.

The proposal was carried by 6 votes to 4 – Messrs. Beighton, Cowell, Parker, Singer and Williams voting against.

(2022/23:227) Technical Services Manager’s Report - Planning Applications Continued:

REF NO: 4029
P.A. NO.: 22/01325/B
PROPOSED: Refurbishment of existing dwelling
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **5, College Street, Ramsey.**

REF NO: 4031
P.A. NO.: 22/01346/CON
PROPOSED: Refurbishment of existing dwelling with a wall repair required to the external stone leaf of the gable wall from first floor up to ridge
NOTES: Conservation Area
SITE: **5, College Street, Ramsey.**

It was proposed by Mr. Kelly that the Commission do not object to the above applications but write to the Conservation Officer to express concerns about the adverse impacts of the Strategic Plan and the conservation area on redevelopment in the Town. Mr. McGuinness seconded the proposal with modifications that the concerns be extended, by way of a general letter, and include DEFA, and the Member of House of Keys for Ramsey. The proposal as modified was carried unanimously.

Appendix:

No comments were made on the Appendix to the Technical Services Manager’s report.

Housing and Property:

(2022/23:228) Housing and Property Manager’s Report – Housing Performance and Statistics 2022/23:

Resolved: To note and approve the Housing and Property Manager’s Report dated 27th August, 21022, to which was appended the Housing and Performance Statistics to 30th September, 2022.

Mr. Parker, as Lead Member, explained that staff are still behind with visitations (post Covid) but are catching up. Mr. Parker also took the opportunity, having regard to anticipated financial struggles, to remind any tenants struggling to make rental payments to make contact with the Town Hall staff; to see guidance on the Commission’s and other websites and to communicate so that problems can be avoided as far as possible.

Mr. Oldham asked if a “flyer” could be distributed to tenants and was advised that one had already been sent during October.

Parks and Leisure:

(2022/23:229) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Event Support:

Members considered the Deputy Town Clerk’s report dated 8th November, 2022, advising of requests for support made by the organisers of Gran Fondo Isle of Man and the British Enduro for their respective 2023 events.

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Mr. Court, seconded by Mr. Kelly and carried that both events be supported. Mr. Oldham queried the costs to the Commission and was advised that the Commission did not give any monetary grants but logistical support by way of the provision of barriers, etc.

Members asked that both organisations be asked to improve their communication of road closure arrangements.

(2022/23:230) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Events Update:

Resolved: To note the Deputy Town Clerk’s Report dated 8th November, 2022, advising of events taking place in the Town during the next few weeks, details of which are being advertised: viz

- Ramsey Festival of Christmas Trees – 26th November – 6th January
- Ellan Vannin Memorial Service – 3rd December
- Christmas at the Courthouse – 3rd and 4th December
- Christmas Tractor Run – 3rd December
- “Ramsey in Bling” – 10th and 11th December

Mr. Court particularly referred to “Ramsey in Bling” for which prizes will be given and stated that decorations would not be restricted to decorative lighting.

(2022/23:231) Public Correspondence / Meetings:

Resolved: To note the matters of correspondence brought to members’ attention:-

Department of Infrastructure Transport Services – Review of Local Bus and Service Provision
Public Consultation Morecambe and Morgan Offshore Wind Farms
Highway Maintenance Charter Meeting

Any Other Business:

(2022/23:232) UNESCO Partner:

Mr. McGuinness asked if the Commission would consider signing up to become a UNESCO partner? Mr. Singer queried if this would be a local or international arrangement? Mr. McGuinness explained that Isle of Man is already a UNESCO Biosphere Partner and the Commission would, by becoming a partner, be committing to its values and its promotion. Mr. Kelly seconded the proposal.

Mr. Beighton, whilst in support of the matter, stated that the Board needed to be fully aware of what they were entering into and proposed an amendment that the matter be deferred pending receipt of further information. Mr. McGuinness stated that there was no fee involved, and the Commission would be required to consider working towards UNESCO goals. Mr. Oldham seconded the amendment, which was put to the votes and carried by 7 votes to 4. Miss Craine and Messrs. Court, McGuinness and Williams voted against.

(2022/23:233) Sundry Matters:

The Town Clerk drew attention to the following matters:-

- 242a) *Acquisition of former Albert Road School Site* – completed. Mr. Oldham queried if the site could be used for temporary parking over the Christmas period – the Town Clerk explained that this was contrary to the terms of our acquisition of the site but that enquiry would be made.
- 242b) *Peveil Court* – agreed funds towards the costs have been received matter now completed.
- 242c) *Tynwald Carol Service* – St. Mary’s Church, Douglas, 15th December, 2022 – invitation to attend noted.
- 242d) *Christmas Advertising* – the Town Clerk advised that the Commission had been invited to advertise in a Christmas promotion at a cost of £99 for a small advertisement. It was proposed by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Williams and agreed that the Commission do not advertise.

The Chairman thanked the public for attending and also those watching via the live-streaming service and closed the public session at 7.37 p.m.

The following items were considered in private the detail of which, having regard to data protection, matters affecting persons who cannot be named, etc., is not as extensive as that contained in minutes of matters discussed in public.

(2022/23:234) Minutes:

Resolved: To note and approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on 19th October, 2022, and the Special Board Meeting held on 26th October, 2022, both recorded in private Comments were recorded in private due to commercial sensitivity.

Matters for Information:

(2022/23:235) Policy Committee:

Resolved: To note and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Policy Committee held on 26th October, 2022, subject to the following:-

It was proposed by Mr. McGuinness, seconded by Mr. Court and agreed that the Working from Home and Debt Recovery Policies be adopted.

Mr. Beighton queried Section 4 of the Working from Home policy concerning exemptions; and was advised that any decisions initially made by the Town Clerk are ratified by the Establishment Committee and ultimately verified by the full Board.

(2022/23:236) Housing Committee:

Resolved: To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Housing Committee held on 1st November, 2022.

(2022/23:237) On-Going Matters “Action Tracker” :

Resolved: To note the “Action Tracker” to 9th November, 2022, subject to the following:-

Kerbside Recycling- Miss Craine asked how the Commission propose to take this matter forward and was advised that the Board has yet to look into prices and other costs to enable a business case to be presented during budget processes. It is hoped that progress can be made towards a decision during the 2023/24 financial year.

It was noted that slides provided by Douglas Borough Council would be included within a further report to be presented by the Town Clerk on this subject.

(2022/23:238) On-Going Matters - Register of Ruinous Property, Unsightly Land and Buildings:

Resolved: To note the “Register of Ruinous Property ..” to 9th November, 2022, subject to the following and accepting that matters may be referred to within other Clauses of these minutes:-

10/11 West Quay – Mr. Beighton thanked the Technical Services Manager for the approaches made to the owners of this property.

Stanley Hotel – Miss Craine queried if the property had been sold – Members were informed that the comments are rumour only at this time.

Cannon Court – Mr. Cowell queried progress. Members were informed that the properties could not be demolished.

Coffee Pot – Mr. Singer asked if any response had been received and on being informed not, asked that further correspondence be sent to the owners.

Mr. Kelly queried the costs of road closures necessitated because of emergency works and was advised any costs incurred are recovered if possible.

Finance and General Purposes:

(2022/23:239) Town Clerk’s Report – Local Authority Elections Fees Order:

Discussion ensued with regard to the Town Clerk’s dated 8th November, 2022, concerning the request made by Cabinet Office in relation to election fees payable, and the 5 options considered available for reviewing the fees.

Mr. McGuinness proposed that the fees be increased having regard to CPI at September, 2022. Mr. Williams seconded the proposal. Mr. Singer proposed that no change in fees be applied. Discussion progress and members were concerned that they had insufficient details to enable them to make an informed decision.

Mr. McGuinness indicated that he would be happy to defer the matter to the budget meetings and requested details of actual fees paid be provided. This course of action was agreed.

(2022/23:240) Town Clerk’s Report – RNLI Collection Box:

Members considered the Town Clerk’s dated 20th October, 2022, advising of the request made by Ramey Branch RNLI to site a charitable collection lifeboat in the atrium of the Town Hall.

Resolved: That following a proposal by Mr. McGuinness, seconded by Mr. Kelly and agreed by 7 votes to 4 that, with regret the request be denied as it would create a precedent. Messrs. Beighton, Court, Cowell and Young voted against.

Miss Craine suggested that a collection box be sited at the Courthouse. Mr. Oldham, on behalf of the Community Hub, stated that the same circumstances would apply.

(2022/23:241) Finance Officer’s General Report:

Resolved: To note and approve the Finance Officer’s general report dated 9th November, 2022, subject to the following:-

Aged Debtors – Mr. Young queried the circumstances of a debt which were explained; and members were advised that other debts referred to had been paid. Members were reminded that a formal policy in place it should be easier to progress debt recovery.

2023/24 Budget Income Proposals – It was proposed by Mr. McGuinness, seconded by Mr. Court and agreed that the Finance Officer expand on the information submitted up to current CPI levels for further discussion at the budget meetings.

The suggested dates for budget meetings presented within the report were agreed. It was noted that not all members will be able to attend all the meetings.

(2022/23:242) Technical Assistant’s Report – Fixed Penalty Notices - Appeals:

Members considered the Technical Assistant’s report advising of appeals made to fixed penalty notices recently issued.

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Mr. McGuinness, seconded by Miss Craine that the Penalty Notices be upheld.

Mr. Cowell suggested that the warden be fitted with a “body-cam”. Members were informed that costs are being investigated but the matter has GDPR restrictions.

Housing and Property:

(2022/23:243) Housing and Property Manager’s Report Cronk Elfin Refurbishment Date:

Resolved: To note and approve the Housing and Property Manager’s Report dated 28th October, 2022, providing details of the current status of the refurbishment programme at Cronk Elfin. Members were informed that the contractor is experiencing some difficulties in sourcing materials.

(2022/23:244) Housing and Property Manager’s Report Replacement Footpaths, Windows Gladstone Avenue and Vernon Road:

Members considered the Housing and Property Manager’s report dated 1st November, 2022, advising of the current status of the borrowing requirements to facilitate work to footpaths and windows which will enable additional works to be undertaken.

Resolved: That following a proposal by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. McGuinness and agreed that a Petition for borrowing powers, including the extra funding detailed within the report be submitted to the Department.

(2022/23:245) Review of General Needs Income Thresholds:

Members considered the Housing and Property Manager's report dated 28th October, 2022, advising of the request made by the Department of Infrastructure for views on the thresholds of income for acceptance onto housing waiting lists.

Discussion ensued and members noted various options presented by the Department.

It was proposed by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Singer that the thresholds be increased by 14.5%. Mr. Singer also commended pushing the Members of the House of Keys with regard to the greater provision of affordable housing.

An amendment was put by Miss Craine, seconded by Mr. Court that the thresholds be based on minimum wage figures. The amendment was put to the vote and carried by 7 votes to 5. Messrs. Beighton, Oldham, Parker and Singer voted against.

Any Other Business:

(2022/23:246) Joint Authorities Press Release:

The Town Clerk drew attention to a suggested joint local authority press release instigated by Douglas Corporation with regard to envisaged financial difficulties that may occur during the forthcoming Winter months..

Resolved: That following a proposal by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. McGuinness and agreed that the invitation from Douglas to be party to the press release be declined. Members felt that they would prefer to make a statement on their own behalf if necessary.

(2022/23:247) Sundry Matters:

The following matters were raised by Mr. Beighton:

256a) Barry Curran Site – the Town Clerk confirmed that he had been in touch with the owners of this site and that redevelopment thereof is still viable.

256b) Shoprite Car Park – the Technical Services Manager informed members of correspondence from the manufacturer of the surface products and also advised members that some works to the surface had been stopped because of inclement weather.

256c) Fireworks Display – query was made as to the benefits of seeking a sponsor for the Town's fireworks' display. Members were informed that it had been felt that a sponsor would detract from the nature of the event but there was no reason why the matter could not be considered again.

Matters of Establishment:

(2022/23:248) Minutes Establishment Committee:

Resolved: To note and approve the minutes of a meeting of the Establishment Committee held on 17th October, 2022.

Mr. Kelly referred to a union agreed wage increase and was informed that it would be introduced for the Commission's staff. Mr. Kelly also queried overtime figures and was informed that overtime, apart from seasonal events is kept to a minimum.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m. giving a time of 2 ½ hours for the payment of attendance allowances.

Chairman.

RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS - ACTION TRACKER - PUBLIC

Date started	Item	Current position	Action	Area	Last Update	Officer	Target Completion Date	RAG Status
	Adoption of Land Traie Twoaie	The developer has a proposal to add parking spaces within the area delineated for public open space. As per minute 2019/20:197 TC to clarify the matter and progress.	TC meet the developer on 11/3/22. He agreed to mark out the parking spaces and prepare the hand over of the site. TC chased 5/4/22 and 11/5/22, 30/5/22. The developer is to mark out the land after TT. Contacted 8/7/22, and 28/7/22,5/9/22, no response. Chased 2/11/22.	FGP	Nov-22	TRKC	Feb-23	Orange
	Ramsey North Prom changing huts	Awaiting water quality standard to be confirmed. DEFA will be testing for 20 weeks throughout the summer. End date changed to November 2022 (30/5/22). This is to reflect the summer testing required.	Await test results. South Prom to be considered and officers are to engage with stake holders. Results are available on the DEFA web site and are generally positive. Final classification is being determined. See separate report.	PL	Nov-22	SB	Feb-23	Green
	Moorragh promenade shelter public art.	4 shelters are complete, minor works required to the school shelter.	A web page to be set up to showcase the 5 shelters.	PL	Nov-22	SB	Dec-22	Green
	Toilet Art	On site.	There is funding available to do the interior and discussions are taking place as to how that may happen.	PL	Nov-22	SB	Dec-22	Green
	Planning Enforcement Gladstone Park, 2 Industrial units used for retail.	Reported for investigation update awaited. Town Clerk has provided property ownership details to Planning Authority as occupier has not submitted appropriate application despite request to do so. Meeting with Enforcement Officer sought to be held on date to be advised. Further property report for alleged breach 25/2/22 and update requested. PEO advise regulating application to be submitted.	Planning contracted 21/7/22 re planning enforcement re SMS trading, they had not but will take enforcement action. Planning confirmed suspected breach is actively being progressed (19/10/22).	WD	Nov-22	TRKC	Feb-23	Orange
	Boundary Extension (Commission to make application for revision of Town Boundary under S6 Local Government Act 1985).	Petition for a Public Inquiry went to March 2022 Tynwald. Tynwald agreed the Inquiry could be held. Draft Order has been prepared. Meeting took place with Lezayre and Garff in August.	Submission amended and resubmitted to DOI. Garff and Lezayre have received copies of the amended statement.	FGP	Nov-22	TRKC	Mar-23	Green

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Date started	Item	Current position	Action	Area	Last Update	Officer	Target Completion Date	RAG Status
	Empty Pubs	Concern regarding vacant properties and potential for deterioration in condition. DTC has engaged with the Property Manager at the Brewery. Special Board meeting took place 22 June when the Brewery presented ideas and plans for the buildings.	Asked for an updated status for the properties 5/9/22.3/11/22. The Stanley is currently in the process of being sold and the brewery are preparing a planning application for the Britannia.	WD	Nov-22	SB	Mar-23	
	Fibre Broadband (request for easement for service poles)	It is envisaged that there will be 285 houses that require poles in Ramsey. Fibre Broadband will not be complete in Ramsey until June 2024.	Requested update from MT 3/11/22.	FGP	Nov-22	TRKC	Jun-24	
Nov-21	Bicycle Shelters (3 planned for Ramsey)	Agreed at August board meeting that RTC will install the shelters at its cost.	Install bases and request shelters from the DOI.	WD	Nov-22	MC	Dec-22	
Dec-21	Adoption of land at Auldryn Walk, Ramsey	Petition approved by DOI Feb 2022, playground received planning approval 25/2/22. Legal transfer of land can only take place following completion of the playground.	Dandara have started work on the playground.	FGP	Nov-22	TRKC	Dec-22	
Jun-18	War Memorial (repair and renovation)	Memorial added the Register of Protected Buildings 2021. TSM to meet the War Memorial committee representative to discuss cleaning of the memorial and future works 10/2/21. No costs have been included in the RTC 2022/23 budget. War memorial committee want minimal intervention and work on the memorial (it is about maintenance and not restoration).	Clean the memorial. Prepare project and costs for repairs to the memorial 2023/24 financial year. Drain survey undertaken 5/9/22, drains go to soakaways, one of which appears to be silted up. The memorial has been cleaned prior to 11/11/22.	WD	Nov-22	BW	Repairs 23/24	
Apr-22	Ramsey South Prom changing huts	Location for hut agreed with the DOI (as this area is all highway) and RNLI. DTC has consulted with DOI, RNLI, MSCC and representatives of swimmers/beach users.	Lead member has met with representatives of the swimming clubs. Discussions have taken place with DOI about the overall amenity of the area.	PL	Nov-22	SB	Dec-22	
May-22	Bus services	DTC wrote to Bus Vannin 21/4/22 regarding TT bus service and evening bus services towards the west. TC wrote to the new DOI Minister June 22. Reply received from Bus Vannin reported to Board.	Bus Vannin are having a review of local bus services and have invited feedback (see correspondence report).	FGP	Nov-22	SB	Dec-22	
Jul-22	Ramsey bags for life	87 out of 100 bags sold Fresh batch purchased end Nov 2022.			Nov-22	SB	Dec-22	

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Date started	Item	Current position	Action	Area	Last Update	Officer	Target Completion Date	RAG Status
Jul-22	Mooragh Park shelter public art.	Expressions of interest closed 5th Sept. Funding streams being identified.	Secure funding, with a view to start work in 2023.	PL	Nov-22	SB	Jun-23	
Aug-22	Recycle conference	Recycle conference in Sept is too early and other priorities to be addressed first.	Review which is the most appropriate recycle conference and confirm that the travel and attendance represent value for money.	PL	Nov-22	TRKC/ BW	Jun-23	
Oct-22	Sea Gulls in Mooragh Park		Investigate options and costs to dissuade seagulls from the park. This will form part of the budget process.	PL	Nov-22	TRKC/ BW	Jun-23	
Oct-22	Control of dogs on the foreshore	Issue raised by the public for debate, additional information required prior to the debate.		WD	Nov-22	TRKC/ BW	May-22	
Nov-22	Railway Line	PLOTS are being sold on the railway line. Awaiting costs from the advocate.				TRKC/ BW		

No.	Date started	Item	Current position	Action	Area	Last Update	Officer	Target Completion Date	RAG Status
1	Mar-22	RCV replacement	petition approved and RCV ordered.	Await arrival of RCV March/April 2023. Order has been accepted on basis of quote, there is a risk of a cost increase.	WD	Nov-22	BW	Apr-23	
3	Mar-22	Station Road Car Park re surface	Almost complete area outside front of store yet to be completed (likely to be done after TT).	Complete works	WD	Oct-22	BW	Feb-23	
6	Mar-22	Street Lights MDT	Quotation received. Awaiting loan petition approval.	Work complete report awaited.	WD	Oct-22	BW	Mar-23	
7	Mar-22	Street Lights replacement heads	Quotation received. Awaiting loan petition approval. Works programmed in by MUA.		WD	Oct-22	BW	Mar-23	
8	Mar-22	Street Lights Lezayre Road	Quotation received. Awaiting loan petition approval. Works programmed in by MUA.		WD	Oct-22	BW	Mar-23	
9	Mar-22	Street Lights upgrades	Quotation received. Awaiting loan petition approval. Works programmed in by MUA.		WD	Oct-22	BW	Mar-23	
10	Mar-22	Street Lights New Street Lights	Quotation received. Awaiting loan petition approval. Works programmed in by MUA.		WD	Oct-22	BW	Mar-23	
13	Mar-22	Bin Weigh upgrade	VWS system retro fitted on 2 vehicles. The new RCV was ordered with the VWS system fitted.	Use the system and monitor in this initial period.	WD	Oct-22	BW	Feb-23	
15	Mar-22	Decorative Lighting	Grant application approved and confirmation received 1st November. (DFE will pay 80% of cost up to £25,000). Orders placed for 3 items of 3D objects, canopy to be installed 15-16 Dec. Projectors on order.		WD	Oct-22	BW	Mar-23	
16	Mar-22	Coronation Park Toilets	Works being developed but requires planning due to proposed changes to the roof.	Planning application has been submitted.	HP	Oct-22	RK	Mar-23	

There were originally 19 projects, once complete and shown complete for a month they are removed

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
FINANCE OFFICER'S GENERAL REPORT
DECEMBER 2022 - PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members,

The following documents are appended for review and / or information:

1. A summary of accounts paid and suppliers used in November 2022 – Appendix 1.
2. Tabulated and graphical summaries of the Income and Expenditure for the period to 30th November 2022 – Appendix 2.

Accounts

Accounts of £549,666.85 were paid via the General Revenue Account and accounts of £41,738.52 were paid via the Northern Civic Amenity Site Account in November 2022. Details of the accounts paid and the suppliers utilised are attached at Appendix 1.

Recommendation : To be noted.

Summary of Revenue Income and Expenditure

A summary of the 2022-23 Income and Expenditure from 1st April to 30th November 2022 together with associated graphical depiction is attached at Appendix 2. The graphical disclosures are both month-by-month and cumulative figures.

Certain elements of capital expenditure incurred have been paid through the Revenue account and are to be financed by way of capital loans. They are not disclosed as part of Appendix 2, the 2022-23 Income and Expenditure figures and graphs, and they are:

Cronk Elfin refurbishment – prof. fees, materials & works	£622,455.
Acquisition of Albert Road site	£415,939.
New litter bins	£103,614.
Replacement lighting schemes	£91,207.
New vehicles	£54,964.
Station Road car park re-surfacing	£48,711.
Refuse vehicle bin weighing equipment	£35,314.
High risk street light columns	£9,400.

Recommendation: To be noted.

Rates

On 1st December 2022 Treasury has supplied a 3rd Supplemental Rating List for 2022 which indicates some changes in the gross and rateable values for the Town as follows:

	Gross	Rateable
	£	£
Existing list	851,260	737,172
Valuations to be added	4,440	3,553
Valuations to be cancelled	<u>(3,000)</u>	<u>(2,400)</u>
Revised list	<u>852,700</u>	<u>738,325</u>

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December 2022 - Public Continued:

This 3rd Supplemental Rating List includes agricultural hereditaments (i.e. farmland) which are only subject to water rates so do not increase the rateable value for the Town.

Treasury have also confirmed that the total rateable value for the Town at 1st December 2022 is £735,901 (2021 - £733,671). This increase of £2,230 equates to a 0.30% rise (2021 – £10,983 or 1.52% increase).

During November 2022 a £42,305 payment from the Treasury was received being the fourth instalment of rate income for the 2022-23 financial year (for comparison £115,126 was received in December 2021).

At 30th November the total 2022-23 rate income receipts was £2,594,133 (2021-22 £2,349,234). Further rates income is expected in December and March.

Recommendation: To be noted.

14th December 2022

N.Q. Cannell, FCCA
Finance Officer

Ramsey Town Commissioners

Accounts paid to the 30th November 2022

Appendix 1

Payee	Description	Amount (incl. VAT)
General Account		£
Staff	Wages, salaries, ITIP, NI & superannuation	196,422.70
Various	Housing - Cronk Elfin refurbishment programme	110,041.63
IOM Government	Waste disposal at EFW plant	99,949.49
Various	Housing property repairs, maint. & safety checks	43,285.12
Various	Office expenses - post, printing, stationery etc.	20,411.56
LITE Ltd.	Decorative lighting	17,971.20
Various	Town events	13,308.51
Various	Commission property repairs, maint. & safety checks	13,159.49
Ellan Vannin Fuels Ltd.	Fuel & heating oil	11,729.16
Account transfers	Rent refunds and R & N DHC rents collected by card	3,328.01
Various	Legal & professional fees - housing	2,981.63
Various	IT costs	2,329.89
Various	Library books, materials & IT licences	2,133.12
Various	Refuse materials & equipment	2,031.25
Various	Contract cleaning	2,000.00
Various	Machinery repair & maintenance	1,418.21
Banks	Bank & debit card charges	1,409.31
Various	Park materials	1,229.12
Manx Telecom Ltd.	Phones	1,188.29
Various	Security & safety	1,156.61
Various	Media advertising costs	989.64
Various	Vehicle maintenance, repairs & licences	968.80
Various	Legal & professional fees: non-housing	120.00
Manx Utilities	Electricity supply	79.11
Various	Gift vouchers	25.00
		549,666.85
Northern Civic Amenity Site		
IOM Govt.	Waste disposal costs	14,182.99
Various	Skip haulage	13,188.00
IOM Govt.	NCAS site rent qtr. 3	6,096.00
Various	Recycling charges	2,610.38
WS Mezeron Ltd.	New skip delivery	2,028.18
Various	Equipment maintenance	1,971.18
Various	Staff training	1,440.00
Worldpay (UK) Ltd.	Debit card reader charge	118.32
Manx Telecom Ltd.	Phones	77.00
Bank	Charges	26.47
		41,738.52

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Suppliers utilised during November 2022

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AB Photography Ltd.	IOM	JAC Stores Ltd.	IOM
Antelle IT Ltd.	IOM	J Clawson Ltd.	IOM
Argon Business Systems Ltd.	IOM	JDW Engineering Ltd.	IOM
Argon Office Systems Ltd.	IOM	Kids Part Time Ltd.	IOM
Askews & Holts Library Services Ltd.	UK	J P Corry (formerly Jewsons)	IOM
Axis Consulting Engineers Ltd.	IOM	K & R Parts Ltd.	IOM
Ayre Mowers Ltd.	IOM	LITE Ltd.	UK
Ballaneven Compost & Horticulture Ltd.	IOM	Macs Builders Merchants Ltd.	IOM
B & Q Ltd.	IOM	Mann Hire Ltd.	IOM
Brew & Corkill Ltd.	IOM	Mann Waste Recycling Ltd.	IOM
Bridge Bookshop Ltd.	IOM	Manx Telecom Ltd.	IOM
Cameron Hall Services Ltd.	IOM	Manx Utilities	IOM
CE Richmond Ltd.	IOM	Marksmann Locksmith	IOM
City Electrical Factors (IOM) Ltd.	IOM	MC2 Consulting Ltd.	IOM
Cleervu Aerial Specialists Ltd.	IOM	MC Locksmith Services Ltd.	IOM
Colas IOM Ltd.	IOM	Midori Parks & Gardens Ltd.	UK
Countryside Maintenance Ltd.	IOM	North Point Plastics Ltd.	IOM
CPL Maps & Media Ltd.	UK	Outdoor Power & Plant Ltd.	IOM
Cuplas Callow IOM Ltd.	IOM	Outdoors Ramsey	IOM
Dave O'Sullivan Ltd.	IOM	P & M Window Cleaners Ltd.	IOM
David Perry Electrical Contractors Ltd.	IOM	Paul Wheeler Ltd.	IOM
Derby Process Servers Ltd.	UK	P & J Dust Extraction Ltd.	IOM
Easymix Concrete Ltd.	IOM	Phoenix Windows Ltd.	IOM
Eden Park Garden Centre	IOM	Quadiant UK Ltd.	UK
Ellan Vannin Fuels Ltd.	IOM	Ramsey Shipping Services Ltd.	IOM
Energy Communications Ltd.	IOM	Ramsey Skips	IOM
Exceed Business Services Ltd.	IOM	Screwfix Direct Ltd.	UK
Farmers Combine Ltd.	IOM	Slade Scaffolding Ltd.	IOM
Ferncroft Environmental IOM Ltd.	IOM	Swales Electrical Ltd. & Hoistline	IOM
Fuschia Services Ltd.	IOM	2 Clean	IOM
Galaxy Fireworks IOM	IOM	The Clever Baggers Ltd.	UK
Garage Door & Gate Automation Co. Ltd.	IOM	Ulverscroft Ltd.	UK
Gellings Removals	IOM	Vannin Officepoint Ltd.	IOM
G4S Secure Solutions (IOM) Ltd.	IOM	Watsons Nurseries Ltd.	IOM
GFJ Fabrications Ltd.	UK	W.D.S. Ltd.	IOM
Go Marketing Ltd.	IOM	Weighmann Ltd.	IOM
Gough Electrical Ltd.	IOM	WF Education Group Ltd.	UK
Gregory & Moore Logistics Training Services	IOM	W.F. Howes Ltd.	UK
Haldane Fisher (IOM) Ltd.	IOM	Whittaker Trading Ltd.	IOM
Hersham Electrical Engineers Ltd.	IOM	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd.	UK
Ijcad Services	IOM	Workwear Express Ltd.	UK
Investec Asset Finance Ltd.	IOM	Worldpay (UK) Ltd.	UK
IOM Government	IOM	WS Mezeron Ltd.	IOM
IOM Newspapers Ltd.	IOM	Yess IOM Electrical Ltd.	IOM

RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS

SUMMARY OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE TO 30th NOVEMBER 2022 - Appendix 2

	2022-23 to date			Estimate for 2022-23		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Social Housing						
Housing Schemes	2,510,278	3,278,767	(768,489)	4,246,834	4,337,145	(90,311)
Cl. Woirey/ Cl. y C Ghlass	135	0	135	270	0	270
Brookfield Court	9,604	7,688	1,916	19,795	13,450	6,345
Close ny Mooragh	24,794	16,264	8,530	35,225	32,050	3,175
Sub Total	£2,544,811	£3,302,719	(£757,908)	£4,302,124	£4,382,645	(£80,521)

	2022-23 to date			Estimate for 2022-23		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Property and Assets						
Town Hall	118,833	20,889	97,944	220,300	22,160	198,140
Workshops	68,088	0	68,088	72,810	0	72,810
Public Conveniences	31,948	0	31,948	58,890	0	58,890
Courthouse - loan repayment	14,800	0	14,800	14,800	0	14,800
Courthouse - maint., H & L etc.	14,241	3,725	10,516	10,955	4,000	6,955
Mansail Lease	3,860	8,562	(4,702)	4,510	10,430	(5,920)
Lakeside Centre	1,763	6,653	(4,890)	6,220	11,630	(5,410)
Parklands Day Nursery	700	14,026	(13,326)	2,605	18,610	(16,005)
Bowling Alley	1,706	7,500	(5,794)	1,760	15,000	(13,240)
Non-Lease Properties	3,750	0	3,750	5,395	0	5,395
Prom shelters, benches, signs	14,480	0	14,480	14,315	0	14,315
Private Property Repairs	690	0	690	10,500	0	10,500
CCTV town centre	200	0	200	1,134	0	1,134
Apprentices	11,689	2,467	9,222	0	0	0
R.N.D.H.C.	9,622	9,183	439	35,610	39,171	(3,561)
Park assets	1,796	0	1,796	62,215	0	62,215
Sub Total	£298,166	£73,005	£225,161	£522,019	£121,001	£401,018

	2022-23 to date			Estimate for 2022-23		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Works & Development						
Foreshores & Flags	4,017	0	4,017	1,955	0	1,955
Car Parks	6,778	22,505	(15,727)	22,689	25,505	(2,816)
Refuse Removal	444,308	67,374	376,934	828,295	100,000	728,295
Civic Amenity contribution	161,820	0	161,820	215,758	0	215,758
Sewers & Pumps	52,216	52,216	0	104,500	104,500	0
Street lighting & maint.	63,611	0	63,611	111,356	0	111,356
Decorative maint.	1,466	0	1,466	16,830	0	16,830
Decorative lighting new items	0	0	0	25,000	0	25,000
Local Services	103,180	0	103,180	134,342	0	134,342
Govt Department Agencies	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sub Total	£837,396	£142,095	£695,301	£1,460,725	£230,005	£1,230,720

	2022-23 to date			Estimate for 2022-23		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Parks & Leisure						
Events & Attractions	71,538	22,075	49,463	76,865	24,375	52,490
Parks & Gardens	126,890	113	126,777	238,267	600	237,667
Games Concessions	1,302	0	1,302	2,030	0	2,030
Public Library	91,096	5,796	85,300	142,140	8,700	133,440
Sub Total	£290,826	£27,984	£262,842	£459,302	£33,675	£425,627

	2022-23 to date			Estimate for 2022-23		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
Finance & General Purposes						
Administration	15,804	0	15,804	99,700	0	99,700
Office Expenses	643,746	88,818	554,928	1,016,210	94,530	921,680
Sundry Expenses	7,576	0	7,576	11,330	0	11,330
Miscellaneous	45,360	24,694	20,666	37,480	24,600	12,880
Swimming Pool	18,791	0	18,791	44,020	0	44,020
Town Band	0	0	0	2,000	0	2,000
Town Centre Management	2,184	875	1,309	1,300	0	1,300
Sub Total	£733,461	£114,387	£619,074	£1,212,040	£119,130	£1,092,910

TOTAL	£4,704,660	£3,660,190	£1,044,470	£7,956,210	£4,886,456	£3,069,754
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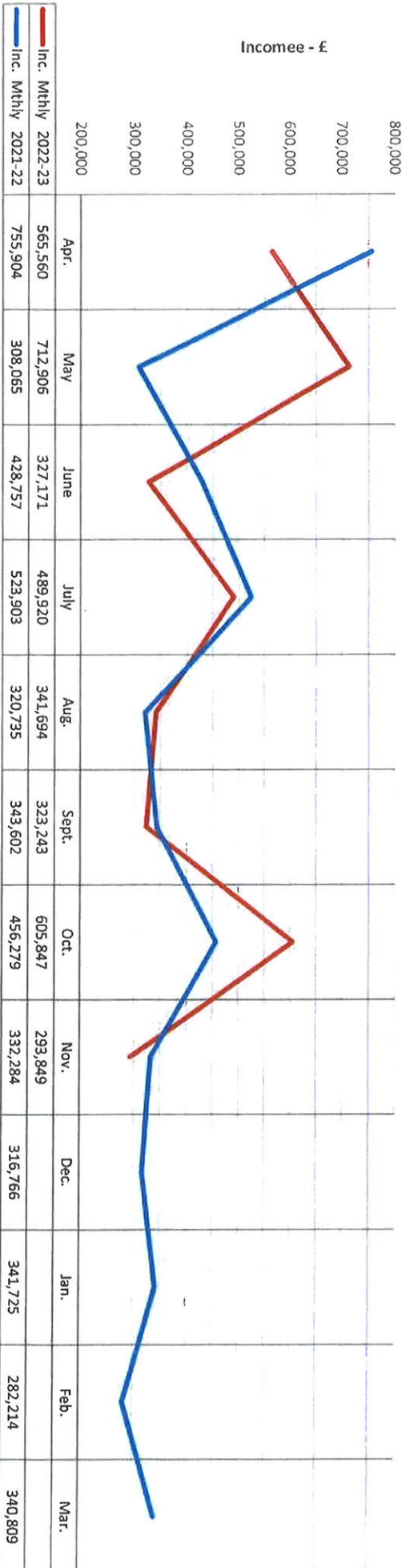
Town rates	£ -	£ 2,791,439	£ (2,791,439)	£ -	£ -	£ 3,013,336
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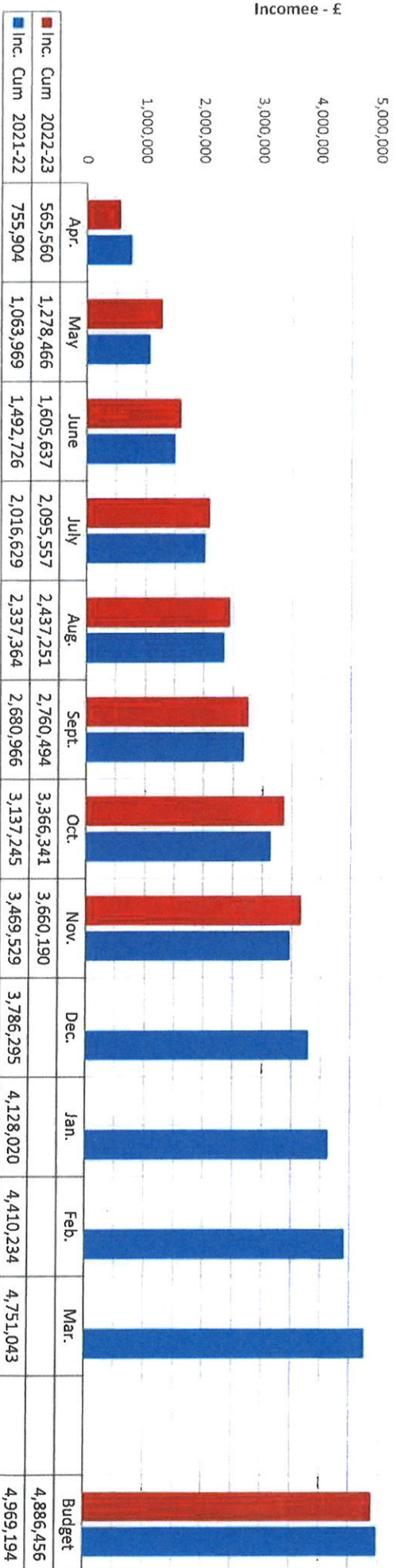
SUMMARY OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE TO 30th NOVEMBER 2022

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Ramsey Town Commissioners
Month-on-month income summary 2022-23 & 2021-22 comparative



Ramsey Town Commissioners
Comparing income to budget 2022-23 (with 2021-22 comparative)

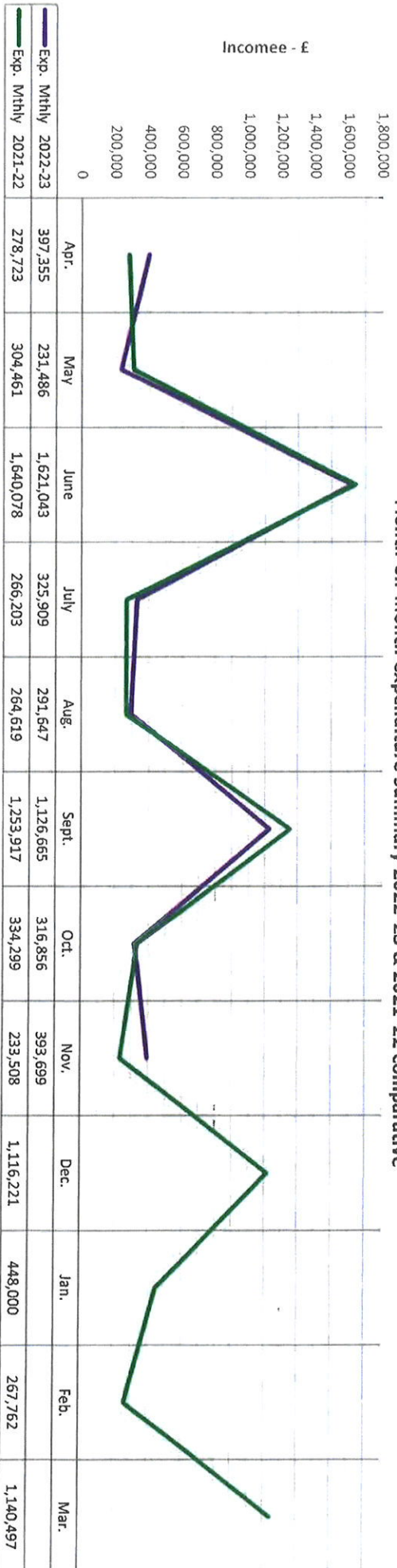


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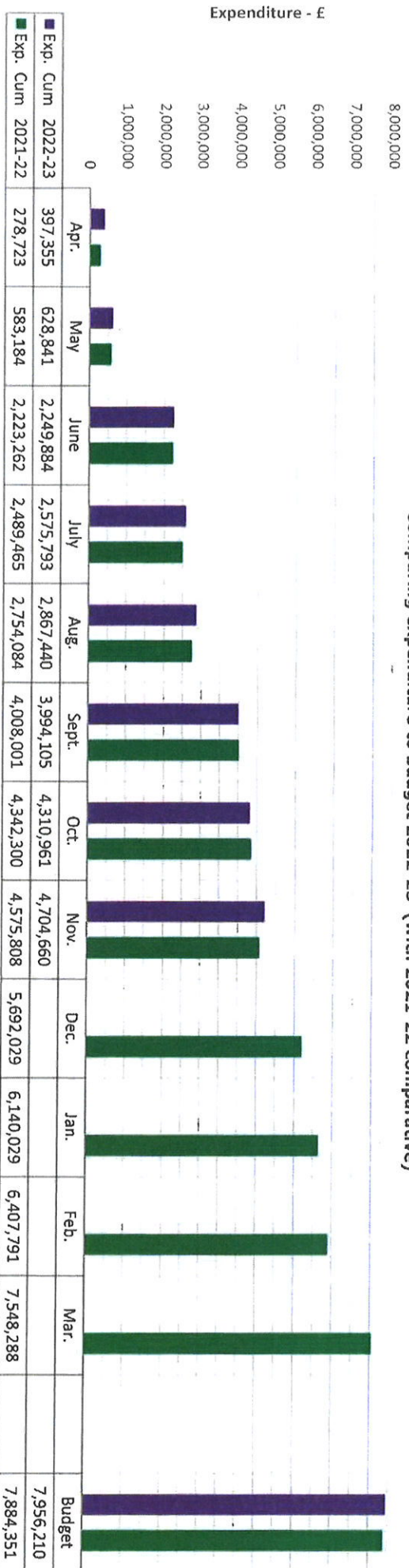
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Ramsey Town Commissioners
Month-on-month expenditure summary 2022-23 & 2021-22 comparative



Ramsey Town Commissioners
Comparing expenditure to budget 2022-23 (with 2021-22 comparative)

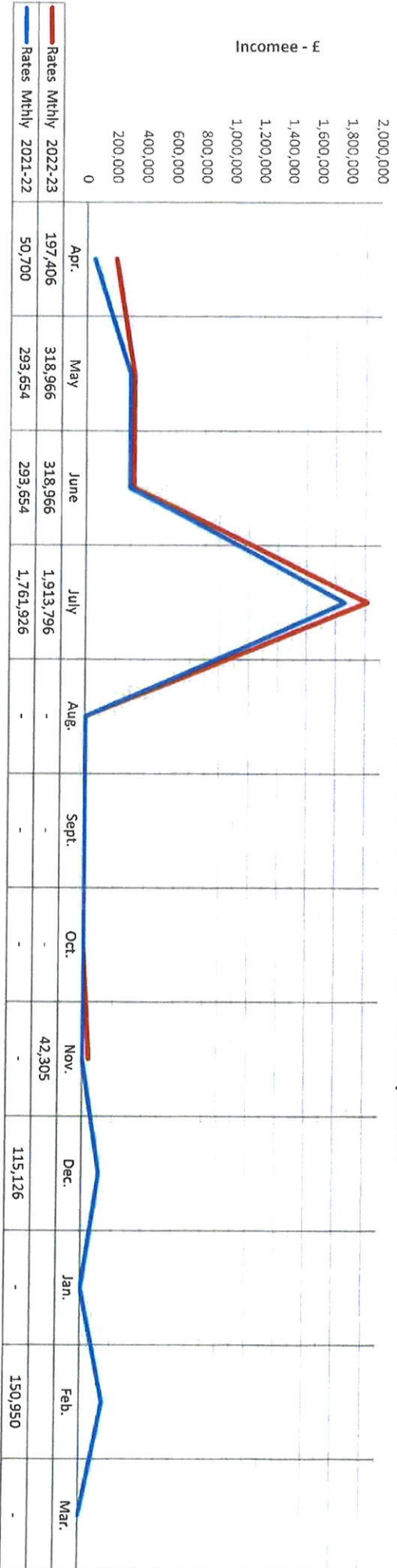


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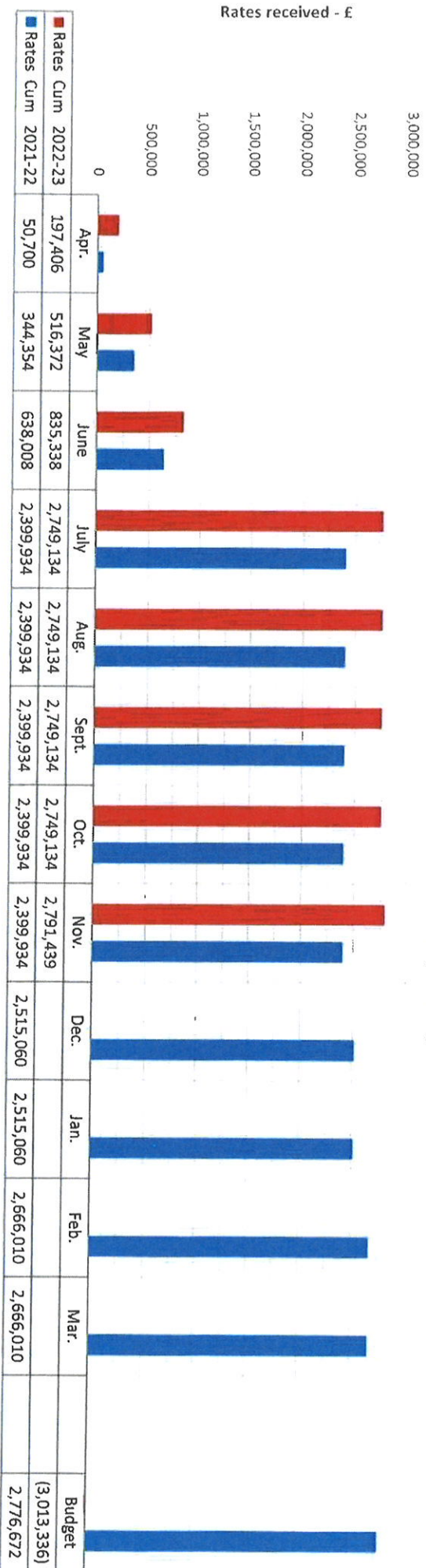
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Appendix 2

Ramsey Town Commissioners
Month-on-month rate receipts summary 2022-23 & 2021-22 comparative



Ramsey Town Commissioners
Town rates received 2022-23 (with 2021-22 comparative)



**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
TECHNICAL SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT
PLANNING APPLICATIONS – DECEMBER, 2022 PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members,

Copies of the following applications have been received from the Department of the Environment, Food and Agriculture, Planning and Building Control Division under the planning consultation procedures. The applications are listed for consideration subject to comments where appended. Hyperlinks are provided on the P.A. No. to link to the plans which are available on the IOM Government website.

REF NO: 4002 **AMENDED PLANS/ADDITIONAL INFO**
P.A. NO.: 22/00679/B
PROPOSED: Combined approval in principle and full approval for a residential development seeking planning permission for the erection of 66 dwelling houses and 12 flats, site access, Spine Road through the site, drainage, car parking and associated landscaping (Phase 1). Outline planning permission for development of up to 127 new residential units in the form of dwelling houses and flats, flexible commercial space, a new public house and new retail space with all matters reserved save for access.
NOTES: Approval in Principle and P.A. in Detail
SITE: **Land at Poyll Dooye Fields and Part Fields 134271, 134253, 134270, 134272, 131273, 131276, 132274 and 134274, Ramsey.**

REF NO: 4023 **AMENDED PLANS/ADDITIONAL INFO**
P.A. NO.: 22/01211/B
PROPOSED: Conversion and extension of existing outbuildings to provide living accommodation
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **Lower Milntown Farm, Lezayre Road, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4032
P.A. NO.: 22/01340/B
PROPOSED: The development of eight townhouses and associated car parking and landscaping
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **Land at corner of Premier Road and Mooragh Promenade, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4033
P.A. NO.: 22/01393/B
PROPOSED: First Floor extension over the existing kitchen and dining room to provide an additional bedroom and en-suite bathroom
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **2, Auldyn Meadow Way, Ramsey**

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Planning Applications – December, 2022 Public Continued

REF NO: 4034
P.A. NO.: 22/01416/CON
PROPOSED: Registered Building consent for the installation of new hopper and drainpipe to be installed on front elevation
NOTES: Registered Building
SITE: **6, Auckland Terrace, Parliament Street, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4035
P.A. NO.: 22/01442/B
PROPOSED: Replace window with door on existing extension at rear of property and install window in ensuite at rear of property (retrospective)
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **8, Westlands Close, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4036
P.A. NO.: 22/01455/C
PROPOSED: Additional use of property as self catering tourist accommodation
NOTES: P.A. - Change of Use
SITE: **Troutbeck, Parsonage Road, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4037
P.A. NO.: 22/01473/B
PROPOSED: Renovation works including removal of second floor dormer window, removal of chimney stack, installation of French doors, replacing pitched roof with new flat roof to rear and minor alterations to window and door openings
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **40, Waterloo Road, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4038
P.A. NO.: 22/01512/B
PROPOSED: Creation of a secure compound to provide a safe and secure training area with associated fencing and vehicular and pedestrian access gates
NOTES: P.A. in Detail
SITE: **Fire Station, Station Road, Ramsey**

**R.T.C. – TECHNICAL SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT
APPENDIX I - SUMMARY OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS – DECEMBER, 2022**

<i>P.A. No.</i>	<i>Proposed Work(s)</i>	<i>Site</i>	<i>R.T.C. Recommendation</i>	<i>D.o.I. Correspondence</i>
22/00306/B R.T.C. 3968	Creation of an outside seating area with associated landscaping	Land south of MER Stop, Parsonage Road	Meeting held: 20/04/22 No Comment	24/05/22 Application APPROVED 07/06/22 Request for APPEAL 23/11/22 Application APPROVED
22/00520/B R.T.C. 3992	Erection of dwelling	Land to the West of 17, Royal Park	Meeting held: 15/06/22 Objection	03/10/22 Application APPROVED 24/10/22 Appeal REQUESTED 05/12/22 Appeal Hearing 15/12/22

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
TECHNICAL SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT
FILL-A-FISH - LOCATION
DECEMBER 2022 – PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members,

Earlier this year we took ownership of Cleo the Rockstar Fish from Suntera. The project aimed to increase recycling, clean beaches, reduce plastic waste and improve wellbeing and contentment. With this in mind it was agreed that Cleo would be placed on the Mooragh Promenade.

As the weather deteriorates, we have found that if the wind is blowing in a certain direction, poor Cleo can be quite poorly, and the contents of her stomach end up over the promenade. At other times the wind vortex can cause issues with bottle tops becoming unscrewed and falling through the wire structure.

Now would be an ideal time to move her to a more sheltered location.

Has the Board any thoughts on a new location for Cleo?

Recommendation: For discussion.

B. Wallace.
Technical Services Manager

7th December 2022.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
SPRINTFEST 2023
DECEMBER 2022 – PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members

At the meeting of Commission on 15th June 2022 members resolved that Sprintfest be staged during the TT Festival in 2023. At the Board meeting held on 21st September 2022 it was resolved that Sprintfest 2023 take place over four nights being 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th June 2022.

This report provides an update in respect of the event.

Tracker

An updated Tracker detailing the various action points is appended to this report.

West Quay

An initial discussion has taken place with the political member and officers with Designated Officials of licensed premises on West Quay to consider how this area can be used during the period that the roads are closed for Sprintfest. The Designated Officials will be seeking their own advice as to their obligations under the licensing legislation. A further meeting will be held in late January 2023.

Licensing Court

In order to progress with the administrative organisation of the event it is necessary to apply for an Occasional Music, Singing and Dancing Licence. It is proposed to make an application to the February 2023 Licensing Court. To achieve this an application will need to be submitted by 18th January 2023.

Recommendation: to submit an application to the Licensing Court for an Occasional Music Licence for Sprintfest 2023.

H. S. Bevan
Deputy Town Clerk.

10th December 2022

Ramsey Town Commissioners Tracker

Project/ Event Name		SprintFest 2022		Date of Review 10th December 2022		
No.	Issue (Problem/positive outcomes)	What was the issue	How do we repeat the success and avoid	Latest Action	Action	
					Who	When
1	Rugby Club support as stewards	Positive and very supportive	Ask for support for next year's event early		DTC	Dec-22
2	Grant support from the DfE	Grant received in good time	Ask for support for next year's event early	Application made in November 2022	DTC	Dec-22
3	Sponsorship of the event (brewery)	Good level of sponsorship	Ask for support for next year's event early	Initial contact made with corporate sponsor - November 2022	DTC	Dec-22
4	Licensing of the event	Organised in sufficient time to address any problems	Apply in sufficient time to address any problems	Application to be made for February 2023 Licensing Court	DTC	Dec-22
5	Policing of the event and pre event discussions	Good communication with police prior to the event	Open communications early with the police	Discussions to held with Police in January 2023	DTC	Dec-22
6	RTC staff support	RTC staff are required to set up and clear away	Engage with staff early to ensure that staff are available to support the event	Ongoing discussion	DTC/TSM	Mar-23
7	The music finished at 11.15 (advertised to 11.00 but licensed to 11.30)	Complaint received that the event did not finish on time	Confirm event licencing hours in advertisement materials	License will be for same hours - ensure adequate advertising of hours	DTC/Political members	Mar-23
8	Lack of provision for young people	Is the event for young people?	Define the audience at an early stage	This event will not feature bouncy castles. The audience is made up of locals and visitors wish to attend an outside music festival. Ramsey Rocks caters for a wide family attendance.	Political members	Autumn 22
9	Lack of supporting food and stalls	There was insufficient food and stalls at the 2022 event	Book stalls and concessions early, how can local businesses be encouraged to support?	In accordance with policy a notice will be placed for food vendors in January 2023. Having a 4 day event will make it easier to attract vendors.	DTC	Jan-23

	Impact of vehicle movements round town with the TT course closed.	Traffic movements limited when the course is closed	Look at traffic management plans with the roads open and closed	Proposed event timing will not overlap with TT Course closures if schedule is kept to. An Improved traffic management plan has been implemented for West Quay		Dec-22
10	Market Square Car park closed for 5 days	Reduction of 50 spaces in town	How can St Paul's Square be utilised? Investigate how we provide additional parking	Discussion to be held with St Pauls. Closure of Market Place Car Park necessary and kept to a minimum	TC/DTC	Dec-22
11	Impact on businesses positive and negative	Business impact assessment	Conduct a business impact assessment prior to the event		TC/DTC	Dec-22
12	Advertising the event	More advertising and greater link to get people to Ramsey.	Create an advertising/communication plan	Communication Plan to be drawn up ahead of licensing and road closure applications - so in time for February 2023 licensing court	TC/DTC	Feb-23
13	Clear information on what time the event is on and starts	Road Closure times set 3 months ahead	Ensure that there are events in the event space.	An application will be made in January 2023.	DTC/Political members	Dec-22
14	Road Closure signage - sign where the event is	People saw Road Ahead Closed signs and turned around	Clear signage to point people to the event past the Road Ahead Closed signs	Discussions with DOI indicate that Improved signage can be placed at Diversion junctions so that motorists are aware of the event location and that businesses in those areas are open.	DTC/Political members	Feb-23
15	Length of event is 4 days too long?	Review the length of the event	Review and then confirm the length of the event well ahead of time (2022)	Agreed at September 2022 Board Meeting to stage for four nights on 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th June 2023	TC/DTC	Feb-23
16	Booking Acts	Positive response to the acts	Book appropriate acts early to ensure availability	Aware of proposed event dates. Will confirm once license granted	Political members	Autumn 22
17					DTC/Political members	Dec-22

	Booking sound system	Sound system needs to be booked in good time	Book sound system early	Aware of proposed event dates. Will confirm once license granted	DTC/Political members	Dec-22
18	Project management /project team/project meetings	Consider more structured project management	Team meetings throughout the run up period	This document to be updated and provided to Members. Additional report to Board as required.		
19	Staging is reliant on Mezeron operations	Potential impact if trailer backs are not available.	Book early and work with Mezeron to ensure the Trailer backs are available.	Meeting to be scheduled for January 2023	TC/DTC	Sep-22
20	Cleanliness of the event area	RTC staff kept the area clean and it was a positive experience for the public	Ensure RTC staff have placed bins and are available to support		DTC	Jan-23
21	Registered door keepers required	RTC and Rugby club staff need to be supported by registered door keepers	Book door keepers early as TT is a busy period	Same arrangements as previous events. Initial discussion with security company	TSM/DTC	Mar-23
22	No Glass or bottles	Stricter monitoring - door keepers maybe required to monitor bring your own.	Work with door keepers and promote no glass policy	Stewards to monitor attendees to ensure no glass is brought to site. Will form part of briefing to stewards and door keepers.	DTC	Jan-23
23	How do we attract visitors to a pre-event such as sand racing.	Attracting and keeping people in Ramsey before the event would help businesses and the event	The Sprint happens on the Sunday. How can the events be matched to finish and start times?		DTC/Political members	Autumn 22
24	Public toilets need to be available	Ensure that the public toilets are available until the close of the event. Toilets need to close before vandalism takes place.	Confirm times well ahead of the event		Political members	Autumn 22
25					DTC	Mar-23

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
UNESCO BIOSPHERE ISLE OF MAN
DECEMBER 2022 – PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members

Details have now been obtained about the process of Ramsey Town Commissioners becoming a UNESCO Biosphere Isle of Man partner.

There is no financial cost associated with applying to be a UNESCO Biosphere Isle of Man Partner.

UNESCO Biosphere Isle of Man Partners pledge to:

- Protect our natural resources
- Develop our economy in a sustainable way
- Support and promote our cultural heritage
- Make our environmental impact positive
- Engage with the local community
- Promote our outstanding living landscape and seascape through active involvement with UNESCO Biosphere Isle of Man.

Application is via an application form.

Members are asked to consider what information they would wish to provide against each of the questions asked in the application process.

The information requested in the application process, together with possible answers are shown below.

Please tell us what your organisation is or will be doing to:

Protect our natural resources

Ramsey Town Commissioners has

- a) Installed LED lighting in the Town Hall
- b) Where possible uses LED Street lighting
- c) Replaces fleet vehicles with electric vehicles where practical
- d) Installed passive sensors on lighting in the Town Hall

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Develop our economy in a sustainable way

- a) Encourages use of bring back and recycling facilities
- b) Trailed wild flower beds
- c) Use of water fountains to discourage use of single use plastics

Support and Promote Our Cultural Heritage

- a) Use of Manx language on stationary and signage where practical
- b) Supporting Celtic festival events
- c) Display cultural exhibitions in our premises

Make our environment impact positive

- a) Use of water fountains in Town Hall and Mooragh Park
- b) Support the work of Manx Wildlife Trust

Engage with Local community

- a) Hosting events
- b) Support the work of Manx Wildlife Trust

Promote our outstanding living landscape and seascape through active involvement with UNESCO Biosphere Isle of Man

- a) Promote being a partner
- b) Use UNESO Biosphere Isle of Man resources on our social media, website and printed literature
- c) Encourage more visitors to the Green Flag winning Mooragh Park
- d) Promote the public art installations in Ramsey including the Shelters on Mooragh Park

Recommendation:

1 – to apply for UNESCO Biosphere Isle of Man Partner status

2 – to supply further answers to questions being asked by 31st December 2022 to the Deputy Town Clerk

H. S. Bevan
Deputy Town Clerk.

10th December 2022

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE / MEETINGS
DECEMBER 2022.**

The following matters are brought to members' attention for information:

Department of Infrastructure - Local Authority Meetings

The DOI minister Chris Thomas has committed to meet all local authorities individually, to allow the opportunity for discussion on matters that relate to the DOI and that are important to Commissioners. The Town Clerk can organise the meeting if required and agenda items should be forward to him at least one week prior to any meeting.

Recommendation: For discussion

13th December, 2022.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS
REPRESENTATIVE REPORT(S)
DECEMBER 2022 – PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members,

The following Reports have been submitted by Mr. McGuinness:-

Northern Local Authorities Swimming Pool Board

“Attended the final board meeting of the Northern Local Authority Swimming Pool Board meeting on the last Monday of November.

The budget for the following year was discussed, it is acknowledged that it will be another tough year at the mercy of changes in Gas and Electricity prices. The new swimming pool amendment order’s capacity to request a rate of 6p to be levied to Local Authorities was discussed, it was noted by the board that it was a discretionary rate however all agreed that as a statutory board we all had a responsibility to act in the best interest of the swimming pool and did not believe that DESC would provide financial support for any shortfall if the full 6p rate was not set.

Whilst admission prices have risen to attempt to mitigate in some small way the rises in costs, I was very pleased that the board supported my proposal to maintain the cost of admission for children at £2.50 to help ensure that cost of admission is not a barrier for young people to access swimming facilities in the north.

The Warm Spaces initiative has proved successful in its first month with around 400 people attending the sessions and a positive response received from all quarters.

There had been no update provided to the board regarding the review undertaken in the summer of the NSC and Regional Pools, the uncertainty of the result of the report and the waiting is not an ideal situation and I fear that there will be a short time frame discussion before the next financial year or Tynwald budget announcement as a result.”

Manx Wildlife Trust:

"In addition to my representative report, RTC board members were invited to attend the recent Manx Wildlife Trust meeting on 1st December. I believe, apart from RTC’s appointed representative, I was the only board member present. It was an interesting presentation highlighting the Northern MWT Supporters Group and what they have been doing and what can be achieved. There were interesting presentations from various representatives of MWT and related parties discussing how to encourage wildlife, the use of open spaces for community garden projects and spice rack spring cleaning. I had a number of interesting conversations with members of the northern supporters’ group with regards to how the commissioners can work with groups such as the Manx Wildlife Trust but also the balance having to be struck with the resources available to us and the varying standards and requirements of the Ramsey community with regards to grass and hedge maintenance. It was nice to see a full room of individuals passionate about their cause in the north."

13th December, 2022.