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13<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.

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, 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2025**, in the Boardroom of the Town Hall, Ramsey.

### **BUSINESS:**

**A vacancy exists in North Ward.**

**1. Apologies for Absence:**

**2. Minutes for Adoption:**

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- Board Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2025.
- Special Board Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2025.

**3. Matters arising not included within the Agenda.**

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**9. Notice(s) of Motion:** page(s): 25

- Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr. J. McGuinness, viz:-
  - Dated 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 – “Motorhome Overnight Parking on North Promenade”

**10. Any other Business:** page(s):  
(by permission of Chairman)

- Matter(s) Raised by the Public
  - ❖ None Received
- Representative Report(s):
  - ❖ None Received



D. C. Flint  
Town Clerk and  
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, 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, at 7.00p.m.

**Present:** Mr. R. D. Cowell, Mses S. Cottam-Shea and L. L. Craine (remotely)  
Messrs. A. R. Beighton, Revd Canon N. D. Greenwood, J. McGuinness  
(part) A. J. Oldham, L. Parker and F. B. R. Williams.

**Apologies:** Messrs G. S. Court and W. G. Young.

A vacancy exists in North Ward.

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

**(2024/25:245) Minutes:**

Resolved: That, following a proposal by Mr. Cowell, seconded by Mr. Williams and agreed nem con, the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2024, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**(2024/25:246) Matters Arising:**

A proposal by Ms Craine that the Deputy Town Clerk's report concerning a document presented by the Policy Committee be brought into public did not receive a seconder.

**Matters for Information:**

**(2024/25:247) Action Tracker January, 2025**

Resolved: To note the "Action Tracker" to 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, subject to the following:-

***BMX Track*** – Mr. Beighton sought an update in this matter – the Deputy Town Clerk advised that the proposed meeting had not yet taken place.

***Toilets Station Road*** – Mr. Beighton sought an updated in this matter – the Housing and Property Manager advised that there was nothing to report at this date; the Deputy Town Clerk advised that a regulatory agreement would require to be put in place.

***Fibre Broadband*** – Ms Craine queried this matter and asked if it referred to the fibre broadband installed at the Town Hall, or fibre broadband being installed by MUA. The Deputy Town Clerk confirmed that these were two items but the one now on the Action Tracker referred to MUA installations. A proposal by Ms Craine that the matter be removed from the Action Tracker did not receive a seconder.

Mr. McGuinness attended the meeting at this point 7.08 p.m.

Mr. Beighton commended the retention of this matter because of the strong views about fibre broadband. It was confirmed that the item will be retained on the Action Tracker as Ms Craine's proposal was not seconded.

**(2024/25:248) Action Tracker Budget Approved and Proposed Projects:**

Resolved: To note the Action Tracker of Budget Approved projects at 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025.

**(2024/25:249) Ruinous Register:**

Resolved: To note the Ruinous Register at 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, detailing properties within the Town about which there are concerns, subject to the following:-

*Water Street Boundary Wall* - McGuinness sought an update with regard to the boundary wall. The Technical Services Manager advised that no progress had been made. It was proposed by Mr. McGuinness seconded by Ms Craine and agreed nem con that action now be progressed.

**10/11 West Quay Old Joke Shop** – Mr. Parker sought an update on this matter – the Technical Services Manager advised that the owner hopes to complete demolition by the end of the week. Mr. Parker also queried if the Pet Shop would be able to regain occupancy of their shop premises. The Technical Services Manager advised that it was hopeful but any decision was beyond our control.

**Finance and General Purposes:**

**(2024/25:250) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Elections (Keys and Local Authorities) (Amendment) Bill 2024:**

Members considered the Deputy Town Clerk’s reported dated 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, to which was appended a draft of a response to the consultation being progressed on the above-titled Bill.

The draft prepared by the Deputy Town Clerk was accepted subject to the following:-

*Section 63 – Question 6 Pre-Election Meetings* – Proposed by Mr. Williams seconded by Mr. McGuinness and agreed nem con that a response be included that the Commission wish to see the retention of the Cabinet Office providing one pre-election meeting.

*Section 84 Question 9 Further Comment* – Mr. McGuinness advised that he was pleased to see reference to electronic voting and proposed that the Commission make stronger comment – that the Commission feel that the decision not to include electronic voting was a wasted opportunity and insist that the matter be included for the next round of elections. The proposal was seconded by Mr. Beighton and agreed nem con.

**(2024/25:251) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Local Authority Elections:**

Resolved: To note the Deputy Town Clerk report dated 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, in which a reminder is given about the need to ensure names are on the Register of Electors to ensure that electors can vote in forthcoming local authority elections or more importantly are qualified to stand as members of a local authority.

Mr. Williams reiterated the content of the report stating that questions intended for the Commissioners are often erroneously addressed to members of the House of Keys – he therefore emphasised the need to stand and to vote.

The Deputy Town Clerk reminded members of their engagement policy which included sections pertinent to local elections – albeit that such policy may require updating because of revised legislation.

**(2024/25:252) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report –Street Trader’s Licence The Hutch:**

Members considered the Deputy Town Clerk’s reported dated 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, concerning the application made by The Hutch for a street traders licence to provide early morning comestibles on the roadside of Queen’s Promenade to sea swimmers using the shelter or sauna facilities.

Mr. McGuinness queried if local residents had been made aware of the proposals and could it be guaranteed that no nuisance would be caused. The Deputy Town Clerk advised that he was not aware of this. Mr. McGuinness commented that it may be something to consider. The Deputy Town Clerk stated that if the application were to be approved it could be incorporated as a condition.

Mr. Beighton commented that a trading area should be clearly identified – he felt that other traders who have been granted street traders’ licences were adhering to the areas where they have been permitted to trade.

A proposal was put by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. McGuinness that permission be granted. Mr. Beighton proposed an amendment that the Commission defer consideration and identify a specific area. Mr. Williams countered that no caveats had been placed on non-rate paying traders and to do so may be too restrictive. Mr. McGuinness suggested it might be realistic to update a policy – but in the meantime it would be logical to maintain the status quo. Ms Cottam-Shea reminded members that this application is linked to the sauna and sea swimmers.

As Mr. Beighton’s amendment did not receive a seconder, the original proposal was put to the vote and carried by 8 votes to 1, Mr. Cowell voting against.

**(2024/25:253) Finance Officer’s General Report:**

Resolved: To note and approve the Finance Officer’s general report dated 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2025.

The Finance Officer gave details of some of the larger payments listed and invited members to make contact him should they have any queries on the report or its appendices.

**Works and Development:**

**(2024/25:254) Technical Services Manager’s Report – Planning Applications:**

Resolved: To note the Technical Services Manager’s Report dated 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, detailing planning applications received from the Department of the Environment, Food and Agriculture, under the planning consultation procedures.

**Appendix**

No comments were made on the Appendix.

**Parks and Leisure:**

**(2024/25:255) Deputy Town Clerk’s Report – Bathing Water Quality:**

Resolved: To note the Deputy Town Clerk’s report dated 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, advising of the satisfactory status of the bathing water following samples taken from both the North and South Beaches. Both beaches will remain designated for the 2025 bathing season and will be subject to weekly sampling.

**Any Other Business:**

**Matter(s) Raised by Members of the Public:**

**(2024/25:256) Temporary Recycling Measures:**

Members considered the matter raised by a member of the public, in terms of Standing Order 13(1)(i) concerning the provision of temporary recycling measures. Discussion ensued during which Mr. McGuinness queried if the NCAS Committee had been written to, to further debate the CA Site. The Technical Services Manager confirmed that they had; it was emphasised that there are bigger issues concerning the site. Members were advised that a petition is circulating in support of a recycling area. It is felt that the costs need to be borne by the wider public.

Ms Criane appreciated that the ratepayer had written in and proposed that the Board press the NCAS Committee to write to all residents of Bride to explain the circumstances and counter the mis-information they have received.

The Chairman indicated that he did not wish this matter to turn into a debate about the NCAS for reasons wider than the funding issues and for which the Commission's hand are, for the time being tied. For this reason he proposed that the matter be taken no further.

Mr. Parker suggested that as the current issues are not yet resolved the Commission consider budgetary inclusion for 2026/27. Mr. Williams again commended the interest in the recycling and commented that it was not right that Ramsey bear the whole cost. He commented that he wished to discuss the matter further in private.

Ms Craine's proposal that the NCAS Committee write to Bride residents and publish information distributed by Bride Parish Commissioners last September was seconded by Mr. Cowell and put to the vote. The proposal was defeated by 4 votes to 5 with Ms Craine, Ms. Cottam-Shea, Mr Cowell and Mr. Williams voting in favour.

A further proposal was put by Mr. McGuinness that Mr. Cowell ask NCAS Committee to consider reopening for the remainder of the financial year. This was seconded by Ms Criane. The Technical Services Manager advised members that the disposal area is full and no space is available.

The proposal was carried by 7 votes to 2, Messrs. Oldham and Williams voting against.

Mr. William's wish to discuss the matter further in private was presented as a formal further resolution which was seconded by Mr. Oldham and agreed nem con.

**(2024/25:257) Invitation Civic Sunday Malew:**

The Deputy Town Clerk conveyed the invitation received from the Chairman and Members of Malew Parish Commissioners to attend their Civic Sunday service on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2025, at 3.00 p.m.

The Chairman closed the public session of the Board Meeting at 7.46 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.

**(2024/25:258) Minutes Recorded in Private:**

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2024, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**Matters for Information:**

**(2024/25:259) On-Going Matters “Action Tracker”:**

Resolved: To note the “Action Tracker” to 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, subject to the following:-

*Albert Road Site Parking* – Mr. Beighton raised this matter and further to the comment recorded that no planning permission was required to use the land for temporary parking Members were reminded that the site will be required during the proposed demolition of the Close Woirrey site. Mr. Beighton asked about the availability of the site for buses during TT? The Deputy Town Clerk informed members that the bus service had already been made aware of the probable lack of this site.

**(2024/25:260) On-Going Matters “Ruinous Register Tracker”:**

Resolved: To note the “Ruinous Register” to 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, subject to the following:-

*10/11 West Quay* – the Technical Services Manager advised that the owner has commenced demolition, further consultant engineer report is expected; the demolition order has conditions; and she is referring to Environmental Health Officers.

*Victoria Mall* – the owner contends that all works have been completed – the Technical Services Manager believes there are outstanding items and will require to meet with the owner on site.

**Finance and General Purposes:**

**(2024/25:261) Finance Officer’s Report:**

Resolved: To note and approve the Finance Officer’s report dated 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, subject to the following:-

*Rent Arrears* – the Finance Officer informed members that the list of debtors was reflecting the usual seasonal increase but that several debtors had paid off some arrears since compilation of the report.

*Aged Debtors* – the Finance Officer confirmed that debts are being chased. Mr. Parker commended use of recorded delivery mail service for other than routine letters.

The Finance Officer reminded members that he was available to answer any queries on any items pertaining to the finances of the Commission.



**Housing and Property:**

**(2024/25:262) Minutes Housing Committee:**

Resolved: That following a proposal by Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Williams and agreed nem con, the minutes of the meeting of the Housing Committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, be ratified. Mr. Oldham did not vote because he was temporarily absent from the Boardroom.

**Any Other Business:**

**(2024/25:263) Telecommunications / Wi-Fi Signals:**

Mr. Parker referred to the poor Wi-Fi signals being experienced in the North of the Island which was particularly affecting those using electric car charging points and queried what might be done.

The Deputy Town Clerk advised that the Commission could write to the regulator and make them aware of the problem. Mr. Parker proposed that “CURA” be asked to investigate the problem. Mr. Beighton in seconding this proposed an amendment to include writing to MU as service providers.

Mr. Williams seconded the amendment which was put to the vote and carried nem con.

Mr. McGuinness left the meeting at this point 9.05 p.m.

Further discussions took place on the budget / rate setting which were recorded in private.

Ms Cottam Shea left the meeting at 9.42 p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.48 p.m. giving a time of 3 hours for the payment of attendance allowances.

Chairman.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
[ PUBLIC ]**

A Special Board Meeting of the Ramsey Town Commissioners was held in the Boardroom of the Town Hall, Ramsey, on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, at 7.10 p.m.

**Present:** Mses S. Cottam-Shea; Mr. F. B. R. Williams.

**Apologies:** Ms L. L. Craine, Messrs. Revd Canon N. D. Greenwood, G. S. Court, J. McGuinness, L. Parker and W. G. Young.

A vacancy exists in North Ward.

The Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk were in attendance.

Dr. A. J. Allinson, MHK, attended the meeting by invitation.

It was noted that the meeting was not quorate.

Discussion took place regarding a number items including:-

- The 2025/2026 Town Rate
- Projects that would be undertaken in the forthcoming year
- The Northern Civic Amenity Site
- Housing Deficiency Payment
- Housing in general
- The Housing Association
- Ramsey Quayside

The Deputy Chairman thank those who attended the meeting.

The meeting closed at 8:00 p.m., giving a time of 1 hour for the payment of attendance allowances.

Chairman.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS - ACTION TRACKER - PUBLIC**

Date started / Date of Resolution	Clause Number	Item	Current position	Last Action	Area	Last Update	Officer	Target Completion Date	Date Completed	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 met 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 28/7/22,5/9/22,2/11/22 no response. Chased 11/1/23. TC proposes that the developer is left to cut the grass and maintain the area at his cost for 2023. Developer contacted our advocate proposing the POS is transferred (April 23). The car parking spaces are still not delineated, no further action to be taken until car parking spaces are delineated. ATC emailed developer again for update	FGP	Dec-24	TRKC	Sep-23		Red
		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 25/2/21 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 (13/9/22). Chased Dec 2022 and Feb 23 - no change. TC wrote to DEFA Minister, and response given to members at July 2023 board meeting. A new cycle shop has set up in another one of the units, DEFA have been informed. Awaiting conclusion of the planning process.	WD	Jun-24	TRKC	Jun-23		Red
		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 have submitted a planning application for the Britannia. The Britannia planning application has been revised July 2023. The Stanley has been sold. Planning application for the Brit has been approved agreement for the commuted sum to be put in place. The Stanley owner is seeking engagement on the property.	WD	May-24	SB	May-24		Yellow
		Fibre Broadband (request for easement for service poles).	Report on roll out March 2024 - The final phases are dependent on poles receiving planning approval.	MT have been asked to facilitate an open meeting for residents of Ramsey impacted by the pole planning applications. Appeals lodged in respect of refused applications - RTC submitted response.	FGP	Sep-24	TC	Jul-24		Green

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**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS - ACTION TRACKER - PUBLIC**

Date started / Date of Resolution	Clause Number	Item	Current position	Last Action	Area	Last Update	Officer	Target Completion Date	Date Completed	RAG Status
Dec-21		Adoption of land at Auldyn 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.	All snagging works remain outstanding..	FGP	Dec-24	TC	Mar-25		Orange
Jun-18		War Memorial (repair and renovation).	Memorial added to 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 11/11/24. Names have been refreshed.	WD	Nov-23	BW	Repairs 23/24		Orange
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 advice that the TT service is likely to be same as TT 2023 with services at 22.01, 22.35 and 23.10. They are looking at operating an N6 but this has not been confirmed. Keep on tracker to follow up with DOI in future.	FGP	Mar-24	SB	Apr-25		Green
Jul-22		Ramsey bags for life.	The 2 designs of bags are being sold at the Town Hall.	Monitor sales of bags. 113 out of 200 have been sold of the original design and 97 out of 100 have been sold of the new design	PL	Sep-24	SB	Jul-25		Green
Jul-22		Mooragh Park shelter public art.	Mooragh Park shelters.	Three shelters underway or complete.	PL	Nov-24	SB	Jun-24		Green
Nov-22		Railway Line	Plots are being sold on the railway line. Awaiting quote from our advocate	Quotes received and forwarded to the potential purchasers. Now with the advocates. First sale complete. Letters need sending to other people who have occupied land not belonging to them.		Jan-24	TRKC/ BW	Jan-24		Orange
Jul-23		Claghbane Public Open Space.	A report was presented to the board in September 2023 concerning the potential adoption of land as POS. Planning application approved.	ATC spoke with Developer, work being undertaken and documents to be drawn up.		Jul-24	TC	Dec-24		Green
Jan-24		BMX track.	Understand how the club is structured and the plans for the course.	Further meeting to take place in January	PL	Nov-24	SB	Sep-24		Green
Jul-24		Merger of Town Wards.	Request DOI to put forward a scheme under Section 9 of the Local Government Act 1982 to make a scheme to merge the current North and South Wards into one electoral district.	Scheme advertised. Deadline for feedback is 15 November 2024 Now with DOI to complete.	FGP	Nov-24	SB	May-25		Green
Jul-24		"Great Wave" Street Art - Old Swimming Pool.	Seek Expressions of Interest for Great Wave inspired art on west facing gable of Old Swimming Pool.	Artist chosen and met with RTC.	PL	Sep-24	SB	Jul-25		Green

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Jul-24		Hearing Loop for Board Room.	Look at options for provision of hearing loop within Board Room.	Portable unit declined by member. Looking at substantive provision.	HP	Aug-24	AF	Dec-24		
Jul-24		Alternate Hard Standing Locations.	Identify alternate hard standing location options within Mooragh Estate.		WD	Jul-24	BW			
Sep-24	24/25:128	Sprintfest 2025.	2024 completed. 2025 event to held using same format. Include in 2025-26 budget.	See report in February 2025	PL	Feb-25	SB	Jun-25		
Sep-24	24/25:141	Refuse Vehicle Replacement.	Progress Petition for Borrowing Powers.	Petition gone in for vehicle replacement.	FGP	Sep-24	BW/NC/SB	Oct-24		
Sep-24	24/25:143	Boathouse clock.	Clock faulty - authorise repairs.	Repairs instructed to be carried out. Due April 2025.	PL	Dec-24	AF	Apr-25		
Sep-24	24/25:146	NCAS Committee.	Identify how to progress/make public aware of actions. Write further letter to NCAS Committee.	Letter sent 24/10/2024.	WD	Oct-24	BW			
Sep-24	24/25:148	Station Road Car Park.	Installation of cooling units. Liaise with interested parties to resolve.	Ongoing dialogue with leaseholder	FGP/WD	Feb-25	SB	Mar-25		
Sep-24	24/25:149	FO Report Aged Debtors.	Doubtful commercial debt. Seek independent legal advice about recovery and report to the October Board Meeting.	Request for opinions sent to Advocates. Included in October Finance Report. All appropriate contribution invoices now raised.	FGP	Jan-25	NC	Oct-24		
Oct-24	24/25:167	Toilets at Station Road Car Park	Did RTC agree to enter into agreement regarding toilets at Station Road.	Resolved at 2023/24:369) for RTC to clean toilets if bought up to usable standard. Owner target date of end of Feb 2025 to RTC to view and comment.	HP	Dec-25	AF	Feb-25		
Oct-24	24/25:170	Albert Street Flats	Further report	Retrospective Permission Granted	FGP	Jan-25	SB	Jan-25	Feb-25	
Oct-24	24/25:172	Courthouse / Community Hub	Progress Lease	Advocate prepared lease.	FGP/HP	Dec-24	SB	Nov-24		
Oct-24	24/15:173	Audit Fraud Questionnaire	Consider by Establishment Committee	Reported at Establishment	Estab	Nov-24	SB/NC	Dec-25		
Nov-24	24/25:190	Area Plan North and East	Provide further report once further Cabinet Office response received	Cabinet Office Response now received.	WD		DF	Jan-25		
Nov-24	24/25:196	Dog Fouling	Raise awareness and report on fines	Enquiries ongoing about options to increase fixed penalty.		01/01/2025		Jan-25		
Nov-24	24/25:196	Cigarette Litter	Illustrations around drain covers - seek permission from Department for those on highways		WD		SB	Feb-25		
Nov-24	24/25:196	Town Warden Idling...Engines	Arrange training and investigate greater powers to enforce		FGP		SB	Feb-25		
Dec-24	24/25	Election Consultation	Await input from members pre response	Response submitted	FGP	Feb-25	SB	Jan-25	Feb-25	
Dec-24	24/25	Street Traders Seahorse	Grant permission - check location	Operator notified - location to be agreed	FGP	Jan-25	SB	Mar-25	Jan-25	
Dec-24	24/25	Street Traders The Hutch	Grant permission Festive - add back for permission to trade by sea shelter	Operator notified. See Board Report		Jan-25	SB	Jan-25	Jan-25	
Dec-24	24/25	Sea Shelter - memorial bench	check space at location also official opening any arrangements to be put in place	Shelter now opened	WD	Jan-25	AF	Jan-25	Feb-25	

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Jan-25	24/25:256	Review of Re-Use	To ask NCAS to allow to year end	With new regulations around the disposal of electrical items the re-use is current being used as collection and storage points as they have to be stored in the dry.	WD	Feb-25	SB /BW	Feb-25		
Jan-25	24/25:263	Telecommunications	Write CURA and Manx Telecom	Communication Sent	WD	Feb-25	SB	Feb-25		

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Case Ref No	Property Address	Ruinous Register Entry Date	Commission's correspondence dates	Owner's correspondence dates	Stage	Letters of notices dates (if given)
	9 Auckland Lane	2019				
	Water Street Boundary Wall	2018				
	10/11 West Quay Old Joke Shop	2018	30/08/2024			21st August 2021 19th Jan 2022 4th July 2023 5th Oct 23 - extended November 23
				23/09/2024		
				07/10/2024		
			15/11/2024			
				17/11/2024		
			18/11/2024			
			06/12/2024			
			10/12/2024			
			Lots between 20/12/24 - 06/01/25 Demolished Jan 2025	Lots between 20/12/24 - 06/01/25		
	Britannia Hotel	2019				
	Victoria Mall	2018	20/09/2024			15th December 2023
				23/09/2024		
			09/10/2024	09/10/2024		
				14/10/2024		
				29/11/2024		
			29/11/2024			
				29/11/2024		
				20/12/2024		
				06/01/2025		
			06/01/2025			
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	Seymour House - Ballure Road	2018		16/05/2024		4th May 2021 28th October 2022 27th February 2023
	The Poplars - Bircham Ave, Ramsey	2019	13/12/2022			
	4 Hespera Terrace	2020				
	3 West Quay	2021				
	13 Water Street	2021				
	15 Water Street	2021				
	17 Water Street	2021				
	Old Ocra Building Tower road	2021				
	Stanley Public House	2021				
	3 Cowell's Terrace	2018	13/08/2024			1st May 2024
			14/11/2024	16/08/2024		
				06/01/2025		
			16/01/2025			
	St Olaves House Bowring Rd	2019				
	Railway Line	2022				
	Coffee Pot	2022	30/09/2022			
	Sub-station - Tower Street	2022				
	21 Bowring Road	2023	04/03/2024			
				04/03/2024		
	2 Albion Terrace, Lezayre Road	2023	04/12/2023			
	Barry Curran's West Quay	2024	21/08/2024	21/08/2024		
			23/01/2025	23/01/2025		
			24/01/2025	24/01/2025		
			04/02/2025	04/02/2025		
	5 Marine Gardens	2024				

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Case Ref No	Property Address	Ruinous Register Entry Date	Commission's correspondence dates	Owner's correspondence dates	Stage	Letters of notices dates (if given)
	4 Albert Street	2023				
	5 College Street	2019				
	Cannon Court	2022	27/08/2024			
				28/08/2024		
	Close Woirrey Queens Pier Road	Oct-24				
	Cooil-Ny-Marrey Waterloo Road	Oct-24			Demolished Feb 2025	
	Auldyn House, 24 Parliament Street	Jul-05	20/01/2025	22/01/2025		
	The Groom, Bride Road	Feb-25				

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**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S REPORT  
LOCAL AUTHORITY ELECTION  
FEBRUARY 2025 – PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members,

The next Local Authority General Election is due to take place on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

The Notice of Election will be published on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025. Nomination Papers will be also be available from this date.

Prospective candidates for the election can find out more details about what is involved in becoming a Commissioner by attending a drop-in session at Ramsey Town Hall. The sessions will take place between 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025 and between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2025. Officers will be in attendance at these events but existing members may also wish to attend.

Those wishing to stand as candidate or vote in this election **must** be on the Electoral Register. The register can be viewed at Ramsey Town Hall.

The deadline for applying to be on the Electoral Register to stand as a candidate is 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025. The deadline for registering to vote is 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

**Recommendation:** for noting.

**H. S. Bevan**  
Deputy Town Clerk

12<sup>th</sup> February 2025

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
FINANCE OFFICER'S GENERAL REPORT  
FEBRUARY 2025 - 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 January 2025 – Appendix 1.
2. Tabulated summary of the Income and Expenditure for the period to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025 – Appendix 2.

**Accounts**

Accounts of £455,255.31 were paid via the General Revenue Account and accounts of £20,139.02 were paid via the Northern Civic Amenity Site Account in January 2025. 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 2024-25 Income and Expenditure from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025 is attached at Appendix 2.

Certain elements of capital expenditure incurred have been paid through the Revenue account with some being financed by way of capital loans. They are not disclosed as part of Appendix 2, the 2024-25 Income and Expenditure figures, and they are:

Cronk Elfin refurbishment – prof. fees & works	£124,688
Replacement street lighting columns	£56,445
Solar panels – Town Hall	£29,982
New telephones & communications system	£19,684
Upper Queens Pier Road refurbishment – initial prof. fees	£97,558
Close Woirrey redevelopment – initial fees	£7,250
New rear door access – Town Hall	£6,276
Recycling collection housing	£3,943
Beach raft	£3,520
Jet washer – for general purposes	£2,639
Printer for Library	£2,470
Bircham Avenue survey	£2,025

**Recommendation: To be noted.**

**Rates**

During January 2025 £290,082 rates income was received from Treasury re the 2024-25 financial year (£233,156 was received in February 2024). This is the fifth instalment for the 2024-25 financial year. At this stage the total 2024-25 rate income received to date is £3,215,791 (compared to £2,938,207 for 2023-24).

**Recommendation: To be noted.**

12<sup>th</sup> February 2025

N.Q. Cannell, FCCA  
Finance Officer

## Ramsey Town Commissioners

### Accounts paid during January 2025

### Appendix 1

Payee	Description	Amount (incl. VAT)
<b><u>General Account</u></b>		<b>£</b>
Staff	Wages, salaries, ITIP, NI & superannuation	192,214.44
NCAS	Qtr. 4 running cost contribution	78,409.20
Various	Housing property repairs, maint. & safety checks	41,127.23
IOM Government	Waste disposal charges at EFW Plant	37,138.22
Various	Office expenses - post, printing, stationery etc.	18,277.94
Manx Utilities	Water charges & Electricity supply	17,634.17
Various	Fuel & heating oil	14,002.12
Various	Legal & consultancy fees - Housing	12,286.32
Swept Clean Road Sweeping Serv. Ltd.	Sweeper & gulley cleaner hire	6,972.00
Auditors	Interim 2024 audit fee	4,800.00
Various	IT costs	4,672.55
Various	Tree surgery work	4,560.00
Various	Vehicle maintenance, repairs & licences	4,407.28
Various	Commission property repair, maint. & safety checks	3,606.48
Various	Media and advertising	2,426.76
Various	Refuse materials & equipment	2,264.52
2 Clean	Toilet cleaning contract	2,251.82
Various	Town events	2,006.60
Banks	Bank & debit card charges	1,870.63
Various	Library books, materials & IT licences	1,187.44
Various	Rent refunds & transfers	1,165.49
Various	Security & safety	887.63
Various	Staff training	490.00
RTC	Petty cash	474.13
Various	Gift vouchers	65.00
Various	Park materials	57.34
		455,255.31
<b><u>Northern Civic Amenity Site</u></b>		
IOM Government	Waste disposal at EFW Plant	14,395.30
Manx Waste Recycling Ltd.	Skip haulage	3,028.06
Various	Recycling charges	1,258.13
Recruitment Works Ltd.	Contract labour	716.22
Various	Equipment servicing & maintenance	372.00
Various	Site maintenance	271.68
Worldpay (UK) Ltd.	Debit card reader charge	77.65
Bank	Charges	19.98
		20,139.02

## Ramsey Town Commissioners

### Suppliers utilised during January 2025

### Appendix 1

AB Photography Ltd.	IOM	Maintenance Free Building Products Ltd.	IOM
Access UK Ltd.	UK	Mann Recovery Services Ltd.	IOM
Antelle IT Ltd.	IOM	Mann Waste Recycling Ltd.	IOM
Argon Business Systems Ltd.	IOM	Manx Utilities	IOM
Askews & Holts Library Services Ltd.	UK	MannVend Ltd.	IOM
Brew & Corkill Ltd.	IOM	MC Locksmith Services Ltd.	IOM
Ballaneven Compost & Horticulture Ltd.	IOM	Motivation Driving School	IOM
C E Richmond Ltd.	IOM	North Point Plastics Ltd.	IOM
Cleervu Aerial Specialists Ltd.	IOM	Office Equipment Centre 1978 Ltd.	IOM
Craigs Construction Ltd.	IOM	Outdoor Power & Plant Ltd.	IOM
Crossroads Manx Workshops	IOM	Paul Wheeler Ltd.	IOM
Crowe IOM Audit LLC	IOM	P & M Window Cleaners Ltd.	IOM
David Perry Electrical Contractors Ltd.	IOM	Prospero Facilities Services Ltd.	IOM
Ellan Vannin Fuels Ltd.	IOM	Ramsey Automotive Centre Ltd.	IOM
Event Lighting Services Ltd.	IOM	Ramsey Shipping Services Ltd.	IOM
Exceed Business Services Ltd.	IOM	Ramsey Skips	IOM
Feltons Ironmongers	IOM	Recruitment Works Ltd.	IOM
Gala Lights Ltd.	UK	Rentokil Pest Control	UK
G4S Secure Solutions (IOM) Ltd.	IOM	Screwfix Direct UK Ltd.	UK
Gough Electrical Ltd.	IOM	Signrite IOM Ltd.	IOM
Haldane Fisher (IOM) Ltd.	IOM	Steven Morley Ltd.	IOM
Howdens Joinery Ltd.	IOM	Swept Clean Road Sweeping Services Ltd.	IOM
IOM Government	IOM	2 Clean	IOM
IOM Newspapers Ltd.	IOM	3FM Ltd.	IOM
IOM Post Office	IOM	Top 2 Toe Ltd.	IOM
Joe Wood Tree & Garden Services Ltd.	IOM	Ulverscroft Ltd.	UK
J P Corry (formerly Jewsons)	IOM	Vannin Officepoint Ltd.	IOM
LC Consultancy Ltd.	IOM	Worldpay (UK) Ltd.	UK
Magee & Co.	IOM		

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

**SUMMARY OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE TO 31<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2025 - Appendix 2**

	2024-25 to date			Estimate for 2024-25		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
<b>Social Housing</b>						
Housing Schemes	3,835,314	4,592,134	(756,820)	5,039,706	5,012,829	26,877
Cl. Woirrey/ Cl. y C Ghlass	290	0	290	448	0	448
Brookfield Court	14,170	5,102	9,068	25,687	20,800	4,887
Close ny Mooragh	34,672	13,164	21,508	50,934	53,586	(2,652)
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£3,884,446</b>	<b>£4,610,400</b>	<b>(£725,954)</b>	<b>£ 5,116,775</b>	<b>£ 5,087,215</b>	<b>£ 29,560</b>

	2024-25 to date			Estimate for 2024-25		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
<b>Property and Assets</b>						
Town Hall	180,975	24,341	156,634	230,449	25,293	205,156
Workshops	73,439	0	73,439	75,990	0	75,990
Public Conveniences	55,594	0	55,594	76,746	0	76,746
Courthouse - loan repayment	14,800	0	14,800	14,800	0	14,800
Courthouse - maint., H & L etc.	5,833	0	5,833	34,157	0	34,157
Mansail Lease	6,683	11,648	(4,965)	5,700	11,680	(5,980)
Lakeside Centre	5,867	9,881	(4,014)	4,778	12,546	(7,768)
Parklands Day Nursery	3,742	20,323	(16,581)	3,539	20,965	(17,426)
Bowling Alley	6,317	11,250	(4,933)	2,780	15,000	(12,220)
Non-Lease Properties	8,583	0	8,583	5,294	0	5,294
Prom shelters, benches, signs	30,466	0	30,466	30,625	0	30,625
Private Property Repairs	3,220	1,711	1,509	40,500	0	40,500
CCTV town centre	3,327	0	3,327	6,135	0	6,135
Apprentices	0	0	0	21,467	1,628	19,839
R.N.D.H.C.	18,874	20,883	(2,009)	15,955	17,551	(1,596)
Park assets	77,312	0	77,312	111,302	0	111,302
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£495,032</b>	<b>£100,037</b>	<b>£394,995</b>	<b>£680,217</b>	<b>£104,663</b>	<b>£575,554</b>

	2024-25 to date			Estimate for 2024-25		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
<b>Works &amp; Development</b>						
Foreshores & Flags	2,967	0	2,967	4,463	0	4,463
Car Parks	15,442	23,385	(7,943)	31,112	28,903	2,209
Refuse Removal	673,440	135,767	537,673	872,357	173,334	699,023
Civic Amenity contribution	261,364	0	261,364	302,325	0	302,325
Sewers & Pumps	78,125	78,125	0	104,141	104,141	0
Street lighting & maint.	115,302	0	115,302	232,350	0	232,350
Decorative maint.	2,792	0	2,792	10,343	0	10,343
Decorative lighting new items	0	0	0	25,000	0	25,000
Local Services	222,085	0	222,085	327,391	0	327,391
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£1,371,517</b>	<b>£237,277</b>	<b>£1,134,240</b>	<b>£1,909,482</b>	<b>£306,378</b>	<b>£1,603,104</b>

	2024-25 to date			Estimate for 2024-25		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
<b>Parks &amp; Leisure</b>						
Events & Attractions	69,273	15,605	53,668	78,068	16,000	62,068
Parks & Gardens	262,239	102	262,137	297,067	710	296,357
Games Concessions	622	0	622	1,280	0	1,280
Public Library	126,403	7,897	118,506	180,595	9,165	171,430
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£458,537</b>	<b>£23,604</b>	<b>£434,933</b>	<b>£557,010</b>	<b>£25,875</b>	<b>£531,135</b>

	2024-25 to date			Estimate for 2024-25		
	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)	Expenditure	Income	Net Expend. / (Income)
<b>Finance &amp; General Purposes</b>						
Administration	68,941	0	68,941	139,679	0	139,679
Office Expenses	551,776	44,416	507,360	853,909	134,135	719,774
Sundry Expenses	11,041	0	11,041	9,582	0	9,582
Miscellaneous	51,507	43,009	8,498	62,148	34,419	27,729
Swimming Pool	45,197	0	45,197	45,111	0	45,111
Town Band	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	0	2,000
Town Centre Management	556	67	489	1,368	506	862
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£731,018</b>	<b>£87,492</b>	<b>£643,526</b>	<b>£1,113,797</b>	<b>£169,060</b>	<b>£944,737</b>

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£6,940,550</b>	<b>£5,058,810</b>	<b>£1,981,777</b>	<b>£ 9,377,281</b>	<b>£ 5,693,191</b>	<b>£ 3,684,090</b>
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<b>Town rates</b>	£ -	<b>£3,420,716</b>	<b>(£3,420,716)</b>	£ -	<b>£ 3,513,954</b>	<b>(£3,513,954)</b>
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**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
TECHNICAL SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT  
PLANNING APPLICATIONS – FEBRUARY, 2025 PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members,

Copies of the following application has been received from the Department of the Environment, Food and Agriculture, Planning and Building Control Division under the planning consultation procedures. The application is 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: 4165 **AMENDED PLANS/DETAIL**  
P.A. NO.: [24/00781/B](#)  
PROPOSED: Residential development comprising 9 houses and 4 apartments with associated roads, plots and drainage  
NOTES: P.A. in Detail  
SITE: **Land adjacent to Thornhill Manor, Clifton Drive, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4203  
P.A. NO.: [24/91399/B](#)  
PROPOSED: Proposed parking area on vacant overgrown landscaped area  
NOTES: P.A. in Detail  
SITE: **Land to the rear of Oakfield, May Hill, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4204  
P.A. NO.: [24/91425/B](#)  
PROPOSED: Alterations to existing dwelling to create first floor rooms, removal of chimney, installation of roof lights and alterations to doors and windows  
NOTES: P.A. in Detail  
SITE: **26, Riverbank Road, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4205  
P.A. NO.: [25/90002/C](#)  
PROPOSED: Change of use from Class 2.1 (Office) to a Class 4.3 (Community Facilities)  
NOTES: P.A. – Change of Use  
SITE: **Commerce House, 1, Bowring Road, Ramsey**

**Technical Services Manager's Report – Planning Applications  
February, 2025 – Public Continued:**

REF NO: 4206  
P.A. NO.: [25/90052/B](#)  
PROPOSED: Conversion of existing residential unit above public house into 2 no. apartments, minor alterations to external appearance of the building and erection of extension over existing rear outlet (in association with 25/00053/CON)  
NOTES: P.A. in Detail  
SITE: **Stanley Hotel, West Quay, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4207  
P.A. NO.: [25/90053/B](#)  
PROPOSED: Registered building consent for the demolition elements proposed within application 25/90052/B  
NOTES: Registered Building  
SITE: **Stanley Hotel, West Quay, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4208  
P.A. NO.: [25/90113/B](#)  
PROPOSED: Installation of a telecommunications base station  
NOTES: P.A. in Detail  
SITE: **Kings Court, St Paul's Square, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4209  
P.A. NO.: [25/90120/B](#)  
PROPOSED: Extension to rear single storey sun room  
NOTES: P.A. in Detail  
SITE: **Bramshill, 3, Queen's Drive West, Ramsey**

REF NO: 4210  
P.A. NO.: [25/90125/B](#)  
PROPOSED: Replacement of existing porch  
NOTES: P.A. in Detail  
SITE: **22, Cooil Breryk, Ramsey**

B. Wallace,  
Technical Services Manager

12<sup>th</sup> February, 2025



**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S REPORT  
SPRINTFEST 2025  
FEBRUARY 2025 – PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members,

Sprintfest 2025 will take place on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May, Sunday May, 1<sup>st</sup> June and Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 in Market Place, Ramsey.

Applications are being made for a road closure and suspension of parking to support the safe running of the event. A period of consultation about these closures will take place online from 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

An application is also being made to the Licensing Courts for an occasional Public Entertainments Licence under the Liquor Licensing and Public Entertainments Regulations 2022.

A successful application has been made for a grant of £6,000 from the Department for Enterprise. Further sponsorship will be sought.

**Recommendation:** for noting.

**H. S. Bevan**  
Deputy Town Clerk

12<sup>th</sup> February 2025

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT  
RESPONSE TO CABINET OFFICE HOUSING ASSOCIATION  
FEBRUARY, 2025 – PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members,

In connection with consultation on the creation of a Housing Association, the Commission has previously indicated to the Cabinet office that it does not consider that creation of a Housing Association appropriate.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> February, last, the Chief Minister wrote; *“It would be of particular interest to understand the grounds on which you assert a Housing Association would not be beneficial to our Island.”*

To this end it is understood that the position was developed from concerns around loss of control, loss of deficiency funding and lack of information on how the Association would be administered.

It is respectfully asked whether any further observations or evidence is forthcoming from members in order a more comprehensive response can be made to the Chief Minister

**Recommendations: for discussion.**

**D. C. Flint**  
Town Clerk

10<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

**RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS  
NOTICE OF MOTION  
FEBRUARY, 2025 - PUBLIC**

Mr. Chairman and Members:

The following Notice of Motion, dated 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, is submitted in the name of Mr. J. McGuinness:

“Motorhome Overnight Parking on North Promenade

The matter of antisocial behaviour by some individuals has been raised with me by residents in the area, with specific consideration that during the TT & MGP periods there is increased examples during the evenings of individuals urinating in public spaces or using drains/bins in the area to dispose of waste in an unhygienic and antisocial manner.

Whilst acknowledging the benefits to the town businesses that additional visitors bring and that there are many respectful visitors, this antisocial behaviour is having an impact on the residents in the area and is in breach of Town Byelaws (9 and 12).

I bring this as a motion for the board to discuss if Ramsey Town Commissioners wish to;

1. Enforce byelaws in this area more actively
2. Consider increasing amenities in the area, such as portable toilets
3. Maintain the status quo

Standing Order 14 - Notices of Motion provides that every motion relating to any new subject or matter not already before the Board, other than a motion which under Standing Order 15 may be moved without notice, shall be given in writing at the ordinary meeting preceding the one at which it is intended to bring it forward.

Standing Order 14 also provides that “the Chairman may, if conducive to the despatch of business, allow the motion to be dealt with at the meeting at which it is brought forward.”

3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025.