Northern Districts Civic Amenity Site Joint Committee

Meeting held at Ramsey Town Hall at 7:00pm on Thursday 15th December 2022

Present:

Mr J Allison (Andreas), Mr I Burton (Bride), Mr S Ryzak (Garff), Mr D Hope (Jurby),

Mr R Cowell (Ramsey), Mr K Brew, Chairman (Lezayre), Mr Paul Weatherall

(Ballaugh)

In attendance:

The following Clerks and Officers attended the meeting:

Mrs M Rimmer (Lezayre - Clerk), Mrs M. Callow (Andreas - Clerk), Ms B Wallace (Ramsey - Technical Services Manager), Mr NQ Cannell (Ramsey - Finance),

Apologies for absence:

Mr M Royle (Garff - Clerk), Mr T Cowin (Ramsey – Clerk), Mrs L Sims (Bride – Clerk), Mrs A Done (Ballaugh - Clerk), Mr B Kennedy (Jurby – Clerk)

2. Adoption of previous meeting minutes:

It was resolved that the minutes from the previous meetings of 11th August 2022, (as circulated in advance of the meeting) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matter Arising not included within the Agenda

Wrights Pit North - no update.

Removal of clause 5.2.3 from CA Site Agreement – only Lezayre, Garff, Andreas and Ramsey have provided extract minutes from board meeting on decision for the removal of clause. Other parishes to provide extract minutes showing the decision as soon as possible.

4. Finance report:

NC circulated prior to the meeting the finance report and budget estimates for the forthcoming year. The following were noted:

- Additional money comes from prepayments from Parishes and for the rent were recorded in reports.
- Steady income from rubble and plasterboard despite the introduction of charge.
- Plant repairs are lower due to new machines.
- Weighbridge contract had increased £50 it was agreed that we would continue with contractor via email.
- Admin charges are not applied until the end of the year.
- It was noted that there was a decrease in running costs due to the lower amount of tonnages going through site and the cheaper haulage as less trips are required.
- A further £20,000 has been put aside for machinery replacements.

£64,780 Surplus £199,817 Net Assets

5.0 General Site Updates

The report was circulated prior to the meeting.

DEFA audit resulted in a GOOD rating.

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Price increases as below:

Ballaneven from the 1st Jan 2023 from £25 to £30 per tonne.

Wood to EFW from 1st April 2023 from £35 to £104.55 per tonne

Wrights Pit North from 1st April 2023 from £97.53 to £102.41 per tonne

EFW from 1st April 2023 from £97.53 to £104.55 per tonne

Garff and Andreas complimented the site staff on their interactions with the public.

6.0 Future of the Site:

Expression of interest was advertised between the 4th and 18th November 2022.

4 interested parties have come forward.

Contract/Service Level agreement was tabled at meeting. There was a request for the document to be emailed to all members.

It was agreed that all committee members would review the document and give feedback to Lezayre by the end of January. Once this is done MR would email out the document to the 4 interested parties no later than the end of February 2023.

MR to email interested parties and let them know when to expect documents.

Ballaugh noted that we would also require criteria to judge each application and interested parties would need to know.

7.0 2023-24 Budget

Pay award – 3% was budgeted

Proposed: Ballaugh, Seconded: Lezayre – allow 5% in budget. All bar Jurby agree, motion carried.

The budget is less due to the reduction in waste going through site. Forecast for 2023-24 a 10% increase has been allowed.

Haulage – there had been an increase this year in line with Governments recommended fuel increase, so an additional 10% had been allowed.

Proposed: Ballaugh, Seconded: Garff - to increase haulage costs to £140 a load. Amendment Lezayre to £135 a load. Carried.

Green and wood have seen an increase in charges for disposal. Green waste from 1st January 2023, wood from 1st April 2023.

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Discussions held around the possibility of charging for the disposal of wood to all users and other charging options. Everything already included in rates how do you justify charges. Not for now but something to consider in the future. Look for alternatives for wood disposal. See what other sites do and feedback to committee, monitor what is going through the site for now. Noted that people need educating about tree stumps and root balls which we DO NOT accept but are finding their way in to the green waste. Staff advised to change questioning of people and monitor.

Discussed insurance cover and costs.

Rent-a-kill – needed for site. Agreed another year but it raised the question of people bringing household food waste to site. It shouldn't be brought to site. Need to educate people.

Budgeted for 3 skip replacement to complete programme of replacement. Agreed to replace 2 skips this year and then one a year after that. The additional £5,000 put aside for third skip to go towards maintenance items identified – door mechanism clean and replace, paint building, extension of water pipe and possible weigh bridge screen replacement.

Admin fee increase

Proposed: Ramsey, Seconded: Lezayre – Jurby against increasing fee to £1,500 per parish. Carried.

Discussions held around income allowance for scrap metal.

Proposed: Lezayre, Seconded: Garff to leave at £50. Votes took place at various amounts;

£50 - no-one

£60 - All - Carried

£75 - no-one

It was agreed to keep the budget as tight as possible due to cost of living crisis.

NC to make amendments to budget and circulate Friday 16th December. Need confirmation back that this is acceptable from all parishes. Rates have to be set by end of January so parishes need to know the cost of the site.

8. Any Other Business

Concerns that Commercial businesses are still using the site and we aren't capturing everyone still.

Bride – WHY is Bride paying so much? Quarry extracts have an impact. Bride asked about getting a reduction in contributions and it was explained AGAIN that it's in the agreement what needs to be done and a written submission with alternative must be submitted to committee by 1st September if they wish to change it.

The removal of clause 5.2.3 from the site agreement – reported only Lezayre and Garff had submitted copies of minutes from Board Meetings. BW to check and circulate to committee after meeting who was still to submit decision.

Date of next meeting was agreed as 7pm Thursday 23rd March 2023. The meeting ended at approx. 8:30pm.

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Chairman