

Public Session

MAROWN PARISH COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of the Marown Parish Commissioners held at
7pm on Wednesday 17 December 2025 in the Methodist Church Hall, Old Church Road,
Crosby.

In Attendance:	Mr T Miles	Vice Chairman
	Mrs A Lynch	
	Mr J Lovelady	
	Mrs J B Devereau	Clerk

1. **Apologies** – Mrs Eliza Cox, Chairman
2. **Conflicts of Interest**

The Chairman read the agreed text. Mr Forbes declared an interest in item 4.1 of the Confidential Session (Conversion of barns to ancillary accommodation with erection of single storey extension).

3. **Visitors** – None notified
4. **Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2025 were discussed and approved.

5. **Matters Arising** - None
6. **Planning**

6.1. **Completion Certificates – None notified**

6.2. **Planning Committee**

6.2.1. 24 November 2025 – Nothing in Marown

6.2.2. 15 December 2025 – 23/00924/B – Demolition of existing building and the erection of 10 new industrial units for use as either Use Class 2.2 (Light Industry and Research/Development) and/or 2.4 (Storage and Distribution) and including widening of existing access, creation of parking and hardstanding with associated drainage and landscaping – Former Crosby Wholesalers, Main Road, Crosby, IM4 4BN.

Mr Miles attended the Planning Committee meeting for Crosby Wholesalers. The Application was refused.

6.3. Planning Decisions

6.3.1 Approvals – the following were noted:

- 25/90923/C – Additional use as tourist accommodation Class 3.6) – Timberwoods, Main Road, Glen Vine, IM4 4BA
- 25/90866/B – Replacement of first floor window with door, and conversion of existing extension flat roof to balcony to the rear elevation of the dwelling – Dreemskerry House, Main Road, Glen Vine, IM4 4AY

6.3.2 Refusals – None notified

6.4 Planning Enforcement – None notified

6.5 Building Control - None notified

6.6 Planning Conditions - None notified

7. Consultations

7.1. Consultations notified – the following were noted:

- Public Audit Reform – closes 5 January 2026
- Elections (Keys and Local Authorities) (Amendment) Regulations 2026 – closes 12 January 2026

7.2. Consultations on Government Website not notified – the following were noted:

- Proposed changes to the Legal Aid Act – closes 22 December 2025
- Companies Miscellaneous Amendment Bill – closes 8 January 2026
- National Security Infrastructure Bill – closes 9 January 2026

8. General Matters and other Correspondence

8.1. Remembrance Services

8.2. Website and Social Media

8.3. Local Government Amendment Bill – Clauses Stage

- This was on the Order Paper for the Legislative council for yesterday Tuesday 16 December 2025
- It was suggested that the only way that MHKs will listen is if every single Commissioner resigned

8.4. Working with the Legislature training – it is proposed to hold a one-day event for Commissioners in February 2026

8.5. Planning Reforms

- The Registered Buildings Regulations 2025 and the Definition of Development Order 2025 have been approved. These cover historic buildings and define what does and does not require planning approval.

9. Highway Matters – the following were noted:

- 9.1. Braaid Road (100m either side of Ballacotch Lane) – reduced speed limit for Ditching and Culvert Maintenance Works – 19 – 27 February 2026
- 9.2. Clanna Road – temporary closure for road drainage investigation works on Foxdale Road – 2-4 March 2026
- 9.3. Foxdale Road (either side of Clanna Road) – temporary speed limit for road drainage investigation works – 2-4 March 2026

10. Any Other Business

- 10.1. Clerk to chase contractor re: road sweeping and gulley clearance
- 10.2. DoI has allowed the utility companies to leave the payments in a poor state after work has been carried out and they have not been reinstated properly – Mr Lovelady has taken photos and will forward them to the Clerk to contact DoI
- 10.3. The ditches along Glen Vine Road are full and have not been maintained – Clerk to contact DoI
- 10.4. The gulley by the Heritage Trail is blocked and needs clearing – this is DoI responsibility – Clerk to contact

11. Date and Time of Next Meeting – Wednesday 21 January 2026 at 7pm in the Methodist Church Hall, Old Church Road, Crosby.

Signed

Date

Chairman

Confidential Session

MAROWN PARISH COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of the Marown Parish Commissioners held at
6pm on Wednesday 17 December 2025 in the Methodist Church Hall, Old Church Road,
Crosby

In Attendance:	Mr T Miles	Vice Chairman
	Mrs A Lynch	
	Mr J Lovelady	
	Mrs J B Devereau	Clerk

1. Apologies – Mrs Eliza Cox, Chairman

2. Minutes of Previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2025 were discussed and approved.

3. Matters Arising

The Clerk confirmed that the tree licence had been issued for the dead and dying Ash trees at Ballagarey Crescent and our garden contractor had confirmed he could carry out the work.

4. Planning

4.1. New Applications –

- 25/91022/B – Conversion of existing barns/stables to ancillary accommodation with erection of single storey extension and alterations to doors and fenestration – Upper Garth Farm, Upper Garth Road, Crosby, IM4 2HB – it was resolved to make no objection

4.2. Amendments and Additional Information

- 25/90922/B – Conversion of former Post Office into living accommodation (Class 3.3) with additional use as tourist accommodation (Class 3.6) and installation of door to southeast elevation – The North Laurels (former Post Office) Main Road, Crosby, IM4 4BN

Additional information had been received in response to the Commissioners' objections.

The Commissioners noted that the old front door onto the main road was not to be used and is shown as studded out on the drawings. However it was resolved to continue to object to this application for tourist use as the Commissioners still have serious concerns regarding the access to the yard which is just off the main road and people do drive at speed round that corner and particularly for tourists who may not know the area it is “an accident waiting to happen”. Also it is considered that the parking in the yard is too tight and there is not enough space for extra parking for tourist use.

4.3.Appeals

- It was noted that the Appeal for the Construction of a car parking area for 30 cars in a field off Old Church Road had been allowed and the Application was approved, subject to conditions.

5. Meetings:

5.1. Peel & Western Housing Committee

5.1.1. Meeting held on 16 December 2025

5.1.2. Due to false alarms (from cooking) Peel Fire Service have withdrawn cover, so staff have 5 mins to investigate before calling Fire Service to check if false. Two-way radios to be purchased.

5.1.3. Several trees need to be trimmed or felled

5.1.4. Painting of corridor in Mylchreest Court to start mid-January

5.2. Western Civic Amenity Site Board

5.2.1. There will be an inflationary rate cost increase only for 2026. A small contingency will remain

5.3. Western Area Swimming Pool Board

5.3.1. Commissioners to be aware that there is a phishing scam whereby an email purports to come from the Manager of the Western Swimming Pool, attaching details of a project proposal. DO NOT OPEN any attachments. The Office of Cyber Security has issued warnings about this.

5.4. Western Neighbourhood Policing Team

5.4.1. Meeting held on 27 November 2025 but Mr Miles was unable to attend

5.5. IOM Municipal Association

5.5.1. Mrs Lynch was unable to attend the meeting

5.6. Marown Parish Community Care - next meeting in January

6. Advocates Searches – the following were noted:

- Simcocks – 13 Ballagarey Road, Glen Vine, IM4 4EB
- Humphrey & Helfrich – Bridge House, West Baldwin, Marown, IM4 5HA

7. Financial Matters

7.1. The transaction Statement for November 2025 was discussed and approved.

8. Clerk to the Commissioners

8.1. Contracts – the draft Grass Cutting and Gardening Services contract was discussed. This will be finalised and the Tender Notice will be publicised. Mr Lovelady and the Clerk will visit the areas to be maintained.

8.2. Email – due to the charges to be made, it was agreed to close the current manx.net email address and create a new one: marowncommissioners@marown.im

8.3. Clerks' Forum – there will be a Clerks Forum in January to discuss common areas, form collective viewpoints and identify strategic directions.

9. Any other Business

9.1. The DoI have stated that there will be a 2.89% increase in the gate charge for the tipping fees for disposal of refuse.

10. Date and time of next meeting – Wednesday 21 January 2026 at 8pm immediately following the Public Session

Signed

Date

Chairman