A Meeting of the Council was duly convened and held in the Council Chamber at 1 Chapel Street St Just on Monday 18th September 2006 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillor Mrs S Smith - Town Mayor

Councillor B Rees - Deputy Town Mayor

Councillors B F Angwin A Trezise K Casley C Williams H Bennett M Thomas D Stevens together with the Town

Clerk (Mrs E George)

1 member of the public

P.C. Guard

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Nicholls (illness) Mrs B Strick (illness) and R Lee (holiday).

2.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations in Interest were as follows:

Councillors B Rees and A Trezise – planning application 06/P/1032/F

Councillor Mrs Smith – planning application 06/P/0085/S and 06/P/1057/F

Councillor Williams – planning application 06/P/1043/F

3.TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

The Town Mayor gave a verbal report of her appointments since the last full meeting of the Town Council as follows:

19th July – training on planning at PDC

St Just and Pendeen Community Action Panel Meeting (CAP)

20th July – Geevor Tin Mine – a play on the lives of people in this area

22nd July - Open Morning at the Methodist Chapel, St Just

Opening of the new Pendeen Playgroup 28th July – meeting and training at County Hall Truro

30th July – Civic and Community Service at Hayle

1st August – preview of Arts and Crafts Exhibition

2nd August – preview of Arts and Crafts Exhibition 2nd August - meeting re Regional Spatial Strategy

3rd August - Cornwall Hospice Care – Fete at Hayle

Kidz R Us performance at St Ives.

4th August – Geevor Tin Mine – Exhibition of Pictures entitled a "Miners View"

7th August – meeting of Footpath Committee

8th August – meeting with Penzance Town Council

11th August – meeting with CAP at Pendeen

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13th August – Civic Ceremony at St Ives

16th August – Mayors Parlour at PDC

Meeting with Sure Start St Just

18th August – meeting of Working Party

21st August – meeting with Age Concern St Just. Meeting with Mayors Parlour at PDC

22nd August – meeting with Lindsey Butterfield National Trust and Bill Laiken, Geevor re World Heritage Status.

25th August – meeting with CAP

27th August – Hospital March at Hayle

28th August – Newlyn Fish Festival

8th September – Tour of Cape Cornwall Comprehensive School

10th September – Civic Ceremony, Camborne

12th September – meeting of the St Just Traders Association

15th September – presentation evening – St Just in Bloom

17th September – St Just Town Council's Mayors Sunday

4..DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

The Deputy Town Mayor gave a verbal report of his appointments since the last full meeting of the Town Council as follows:

19th July – Planning committee meeting in Penwith District Council

22nd July – Methodist Chapel visit

24th July – meeting re Plain and Gwarry licence

28th July – County Hall presentation of Big Lottery Schemes 18th August – Just a Word editorial meeting

23rd August – meeting to discuss World Heritage Status

8th September – visit to Cape Cornwall School

10th September – Geevor for presentation of awards to children

14th September – meeting of St Just Liaison Group

17th September – Mayors Sunday at St Just.

5. REPORTS OF TOWN COUNCILLORS

Councillor Angwin reported that he had attended the Hospital March at Hayle, the visit to the Methodist Chapel, the visit to the Comprehensive School, CALC meeting at Truro and Mayors Sunday at St Just.

Councillor Casley reported that he had attended the CAP meeting, the meeting with the Arts Group and Mayors Sunday.

Councillor Bennett had attended the Planning training and Town Mayors Sunday.

Councillor Thomas had attended the Hospital March and the School visit. Councillor Trezise had attended the Council surgery at Pendeen.

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6. REPORTS OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Thomas reported that the District Council had formulated a response to the Regional Strategy. He would access a copy for the Town Council.

7. REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Nil

8. REPORT OF POLICE OFFICER

P.C. Guard gave a verbal report to the Council. (written copy to the Clerk) He reported that there had been further reductions in reported crimes in the area. There were no significant issues that he wished to bring to the Councils attention at this time.

The Council asked if the Lafrowda Car Park and particularly the recycling area could receive additional Police attention as youths had been reported causing nuisance in those locations.

9. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings held on 17th July 2006 31st July 2006 and Recess Meeting on 14th August 2006 were confirmed and signed.

10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a)CCTV update

The Clerk reported that no direct progress had been made on this subject. Sgt Hocking had reported that he was hopeful that he had accessed another source of funding to complete this project.

b)Regeneration Project - Lease of land at Boscaswell Corner

The Clerk reported that the change to the surface and the landscaping had not yet been completed at the site but she had spoken with Nigel Sumpter and was hopeful that it would be completed in the near future.

c)St Just Town Hall premises – removal of plaques

The District Council had removed the plaque from inside the premises and it was now in the Clerks office for safekeeping. The Artillery insignia on the outside was embedded firmly in the structure and could at this stage not be removed.

d)Just Arts Group – meeting with footpath committee of Town Council
The above group had been with the Council as suggested and discussed the
possibility of additional signage by the County Council to identify locations
of interest within the area particularly for walkers.

The meeting had suggested finger posts, possibly in Bank Square, identifying these locations.

The Council discussed the above suggestion but did not believe that such signage would be sufficiently beneficial to tourists as various sources of information was currently available on the subject. The Council resolved to take no further action at this point in time.

e)CCC World Heritage Site Status

The County Council had written to thank the Town Council for their letter of congratulations.

f)Application to use the Plain and Gwarry - Rev S Griffiths

This application for 26th and 27th September had been approved at the previous meeting but the amended application form had now been received and approved. Noted.

g)Obstructions of footways – referred from last full meeting in July

The Council discussed this subject at length and it was agreed that problems were being experienced in various locations in the area. Councillor Angwin stated that he would speak with the residents in the area that he was particularly concerned about.

h)Final Agreement of Use for the Plain an Gwarry

All Councillors had been previously circulated with the final draft of the above document with the condition that they report to the Clerk any areas of concern. No such report has been received and the approval of the Council on this Agreement is now required.

The Council resolved to approve and accept the above Agreement of Use of the Plain an Gwarry which now includes provision for the Public Entertainment Licence.

i)Applications for post of Clerical Assistant – shortlisting for interviews etc.

The Council resolved to now go INTO COMMITTEE

The Clerk reported that 12 applications had been received -2 were after the closing date and had to be discounted.

The Council shortlisted 4 applications and instructed the Clerk to contact the applicants and arrange dates and times for interview.

The Council appointed the following panel to interview and appoint-Town Mayor – Councillor Mrs Smith, Councillor R Lee, Councillor D Stevens and the Town Clerk.

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The Council resolved to come OUT OF COMMITTEE

11. FINANCE

a) <u>Applications for financial assistance</u> Nil.

b)<u>Letters of thanks for recent donations</u> Nil

c)Accounts for payment

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Totalling £3464.55

d)Audit Fees 2006/7

The Clerk reported the above notification via NALC.

Noted.

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12. PLANNING

a)Applications

Councillor Thomas made the following statement:

"In commenting on this application I should make it clear that my comments are based on the information currently available and do not commit me to taking the same position when the matter is discussed at the District Planning Committee and full information is available."

List as previously circulated.

Councillor Rees assumed the Chair for application 06/P/0885/S and 06/P/1057/F.

The Council made no observations on application 06/P/0885/S 06/P/1043/F 06/T/0057 06/P/1028/F 06/H/0114 and 06/P/1032/F.

The Council made the following observations: Application 06/P/1053/F – inconsistent finish compared to adjacent properties. Application 06/P/1057/F – double doors to front not acceptable.

b)Decisions:

As previously circulated.

13. PROPOSED AREA GUIDE FOR 2007 –

Commencement of Canvass by Burrows Publications

The Clerk reported that the last of the 3 year contract to publish the above was to commence this Autumn.

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14. CORRRESPONDENCE:

a)Lifeguard Season for 2006

The Clerk reported receipt of this letter from Penwith District Council regarding the end of the Season for Lifeguard Patrols on local beaches. Noted.

b)Changing of Banking Services – letter from Lloyds Bank TSB

A letter had been received informing the Council that the local branch of Lloyds located in Bank Square is to close on 30th November 2006. The Mayor stated that she had spoken with the Traders Group and they had supported the idea of a Public Meeting here in St Just to discuss the implications of this closure. The Clerk was instructed to contact the neighbouring Parish Clerks and invite their electors to attend also. Notification to be made public by means of Notices in the Press and local traders etc. Councillor Thomas would also ask the Traders Group to assist with promoting the meeting in any way possible.

c)Letter asking permission to use Plain an Gwarry

A local couple had asked permission to use the above facility in March 2007 to celebrate their marriage. The Council were pleased to grant this request subject to the usual Agreement of Use being completed.

d)Letter from CCC re Local Maintenance Partnership changes

Changes were again being implemented throughout Cornwall. St Just Parish is not affected at this point in time. The formula for funding was being changed. Members of the Footpath Committee to receive copies of the letter.

e)PDC –supply of Christmas Trees

The Clerk reported receipt of notification of the requirement to order the trees for St Just and Pendeen. The usual arrangements to be made for the trees to be displayed and the Clerk given authority to purchase the necessary electrical equipment etc.

f)PDC – Young Citizen of the Year

The District Council thanked the Town Council for this years nomination which although very worthy had not won the Award. Noted.

g)PDC – Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005.

This new legislation permits the District Council to deal with dog fouling in public places that are open to the public – defined as land open to the air on at least one side. (copy of the letter to all Councillors)

h)Restormal Borough Council – Democracy Declaration for Cornwall Copy to all Councillors for information.

i) CCC - Chief Registrar - Modernisation of Registration Service

The Clerk reported receipt of this notification regarding the future provision of the Registration Service in the area. As the County are evaluating the position of the out-stations in Cornwall it would seem likely that the current facility of booking an appointment for St Just will be part of that evaluation process. The Clerk to inform the Council when further information becomes available.

j)PDC – alcohol Consumption in Designated Public Places

The Designated areas in St Just and Pendeen were now in force. Details of these locations can be obtained from the Clerk on request.

15. PUBLICATIONS

The following publications had been received and were available to Councillors on request:

- a) Campaign for the Sustainable Communities Bill
- b)DIS Information Service
- c)Sure Start Newsletters
- d)The Selus
- e)PDC Agenda and Minutes
- f)Outreach Magazine
- g)CALC the County Bulletin
- h)PAROW Minutes
- i)JY & Community Project quarterly report (copies available)
- i)Litter and the Law booklets
- k)Interlink magazine
- 1)Health Promotion News
- m)Hocking descendants society newsletter

16. MATTERS OF REPORT

Councillor Angwin thanked the Clerk for arranging the coach for the Hospital March at Hayle.

Councillor Rees congratulated the Town Mayor on a well organised and Successful Town Mayors Sunday.

There being no further items of business the Town Mayor closed the meeting thanking the members for their attendance.

CONFIRMED THIS 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2006

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