

A Meeting of the Town Council was duly convened and held in the Council Chamber at 1 Chapel Street St Just on Monday 22nd January 2007 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors Mrs S Smith – Town Mayor
Councillor B Rees – Deputy Town Mayor
Councillors Mrs B Strick, B F Angwin, M Nicholls,
C Williams, R Lee, H Bennett, M Thomas, D Stevens.
K Casley A Trezise (part) together with the Town Clerk
(Mrs E George)

P. C. Humphreys (part)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology was received from County Councillor S Angove.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) Councillor Nicholls declared an interest in planning application P/E17/A/3/537 (Pendeen School).
- b) Councillor Stevens declared an interest in Agenda item 10(b) (outstanding invoice).

3. TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

The Town Mayor gave a verbal report (copy to the Clerk) of her official appointments since the last full meeting of the Town Council.

19 th December	Customary annual visits to the Residential and Nursing homes with Christmas gifts.
20 th December 2007.	Meeting with the St Just and Pendeen Community Action Panel.
4 th January	Kidz R Us Pantomime at St Ives
8 th January	Meeting with the Mayor's Parlour Campaign Team
12 th January	Tourism meeting of the Town Council
14 th January	Civic Service at Marazion
16 th January	Hospital Rally at Westminster
18 th January	Meeting with the St Just and Pendeen Community Action Panel

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.

11th January – Town and Parish Forum Meeting

12th January – Town Council Tourism Committee.

Councillor Trezise entered the meeting at this point.

5. REPORTS OF TOWN COUNCILLORS

a) Councillor Bennett reported that he had attended the Council's Tourism Committee meeting on 12th January and an Age Concern Meeting on 8th January.

b) Councillor Lee stated that he had attended a meeting of the Rural Transport Forum on 10th January, Tourism meeting on 12th, Sports Hall Committee on 18th and Councillors Surgery at the Council Chamber on 20th January.

c) Councillors Nicholls and Stevens had attended the Tourism Committee and the Surgery at Pendeen Centre.

d) Councillor Strick had attended the Tourism Committee meeting and a meeting of C.A.P.

6. REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Thomas reported that the new Chief Executive of the P.C.T. had attended a meeting of the District Council and gave a presentation that was most informative.

The "Pathfinder" bid document had been presented by the District Council and the County would be presenting its bid on 25th January.

7. REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Nil.

8. REPORT OF THE POLICE OFFICER

P.C. Humphreys read a report (copy to the Clerk) of the reported crimes since the last full meeting of the Town Council. There had been 12 crimes compared to 25 for the same period last year.

Police attended the "off road motorbike meeting" at Pendeen on 16th January. Attempts to find a suitable site are continuing.

The reduction in crime figures can be put down to the success of the JY and Community Group and the Community Action Panel.

PCSO Tonkin will soon be attending the Pendeen Residents Association meeting and P.C. Humphreys meeting with Pendeen Brownies.

Concern has been expressed at the number of accidents in the Bostraze/Blue Pool area. There have been 9 accidents reported in the last 12 months. Highways have been informed and will monitor future developments.

The local Primary Schools are being visited by the Neighbourhood Team in order to introduce themselves and give the children an idea of the work of the Police.

9. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

The Council resolved that the minutes of the meetings held on 18th December 2006, 3rd January 2007 and 8th January 2007 be confirmed and signed.

Councillors Thomas and Stevens voted against the above resolution.

10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a)Conservation of War Memorials – referred from mtg. of 18/12/06

A Survey of the two war memorials had been undertaken in a voluntary capacity by Councillors Casley and Williams. The report had previously been circulated to all Councillors.

It was agreed that the photographs taken would need to be viewed and that initial estimated costings would be required before an application for funding could be made. Both these issues to be looked at and brought back to the Council for consideration.

Councillor Stevens declared an interest and left the room.

On a proposal by Councillor Angwin seconded by Councillor Rees the Council resolved to go INTO COMMITTEE.

IN COMMITTEE

b)Outstanding Invoice – legal advice from NALC

No confirmed advice to date. Mentoring is being investigated as a way forward. Information from D Stevens to be issued at the end of the meeting.

The Council resolved to come out of Committee.

OUT OF COMMITTEE

c)CCTV – update

The Clerk reported that the funding application had been successful and that the completion work of the project could now be undertaken. Completion by the 31st March 2007 was a condition of the grant award. Noted.

d)Cornwall County Council
Modernisation of Registration Service

Results of the consultation questionnaire which was sent out in November was now available.

The County Council at its meeting on 9th January agreed to seek approval from the Registrar General to:

- : Recognise Cornwall as a single registration district
- : Upgrade Newquay outstation
- : Withdraw the part-time and limited registration services provided at six of the County's seven outstations at Callington, Torpoint, Looe, St Just, Hayle and St Ives.
- : Transfer locally held registers to a central repository
- : Introduce an on-line appointment booking facility and Registration Information service.
- : Introduce a new staffing and management structure, including the Transfer of former statutory officers to Cornwall County Council Employment.

e)DTI – Reply re Post Office Network

This letter was in response to the Town Council's recent letter of concern.

f)CALC – Annual Conference and AGM – Gvt White Paper delegates invited

Councillors were invited to attend the above conference on 10th February. Councillors Smith, Rees, Angwin, Bennett and the Town Clerk agreed to attend and the fee is £10 per delegate to be paid by the Council.

g)Lloyds Bank closure – letter from local residents re publicity

The Clerk read a letter from two local residents supporting the Mayor on her recent visit to London to present the petition to Lloyds Head Office. Councillors Trezise and Strick reported that they had received similar comments of support.

11. FINANCE

a)Applications for financial assistance:
1972 Local Government Act 1972 – Section 137

Nil.

b)Letters of thanks

1. Spectrum
2. WRVS

c)Accounts for payment

It was resolved that the following accounts be approved for payment:

Totalling	£2464.91
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d)Consideration of purchase of a bronze maquette – referred from meeting of 18/12/07

Councillor Nicholls stated that the public should be asked if they wished the Council to purchase the above maquette. Councillor Thomas stated that he was not in favour of such a purchase. It was agreed to leave the matter for the time being.

On a proposal by Councillor Angwin seconded by Councillor Lee the Council resolved to go INTO COMMITTEE.

Councillor Thomas left the meeting at this point.

e)IN COMMITTEE – Employment – Superannuation Scheme – application to join. Following a request from an employee the Council agreed to apply to admit as requested and to budget accordingly.

OUT OF COMMITTEE

12.PLANNING

a) As previously circulated.

Councillor Nicholls declared an interest in application P/E/17/A/SJD.

The Council recommended support for all of the above four applications

b)Decisions:

As previously circulated.

13.CALC – Nomination to County bodies for election at CALC AGM

The Clerk reported receipt of this invitation to nominate.

14. Veterans Day Function (BR)

Councillor Rees suggested the Council consider arranging a Veterans Day together with the members of St Just British Legion. He agreed to arrange a viewing of a CD at his home to outline the idea. Funding could be applied for if required. He asked for interested Councillors to volunteer. Councillors Casley, Trezise, Strick and Rees initially expressed an interest.

These Councillors would report back at the next meeting.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

a)CALC – nomination for President – Town Council rep. B Rees
Noted.

16.PUBLICATIONS

The Clerk reported receipt of the following publications that were available from the Clerks Office on request.

- a)League of Friends of West Cornwall Hospital
- b)PAROW –minutes and agenda of meeting
- c)Sure Start
- d)Local Council Review
- e)West Cornwall Interlink
- f)Cornwall County Council – Council Plan 2006/9

17. MATTERS OF REPORT

- a) Councillor Angwin reported repeated dog fouling incidents in the Town area.
- b) The Mayor reminded Councillors that a coach would be going to County Hall on 30th January re the Hospitals protest.
- c) Councillor Lee reported continuing problems in South Place with inconsiderate parking.
- d) Councillor Strick reported the untidy state of a small section of land at Lower Boscawell that was being used for fly tipping. Further enquiries would be made.

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

CONFIRMED THIS 19TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2007.

Town Mayor.....

