## ST. JUST-IN-PENWITH TOWN COUNCIL

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## **TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

You are hereby summoned to attend the next **Ordinary Meeting** of the Town Council to be held as follows:-

DATE: MONDAY 12 MARCH 2012

TIME: 7.15 P.M.

VENUE: COUNCIL CHAMBER, 1 CHAPEL STREET, ST JUST

# Town Clerk

To:

Mayor: Councillor M Thomas

Deputy Mayor: Councillor Mrs S James

# Councillors

Ms P S AngoveN McFaddenB F AngwinF MorrisW F EastM NichollsC S McClaryMrs S OldsK McFaddenD Stevens

#### 12 MARCH 2012

#### **AGENDA**

## 1. Public Address at Council Meetings

A period of fifteen minutes will be set aside to enable members of the public to put questions directly to the Council. Anyone wishing to put a question to the Council must do so by submitting it in writing **by no later than 10.00 a.m.** on the Friday preceding the meeting.

## 2. Apologies for Absence

## 3. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

## 4. Minutes

To pass the following resolution:

**<u>RESOLVED</u>** – that the Mayor signs as a true and accurate record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 February 2012 (copy attached).

## 5. <u>Neighbourhood Plans</u>

Andy Golay and Chloe Pitt from Cornwall Council's Planning & Regeneration Service will be attending the meeting to advise the Town Council on the new Neighbourhood Plan process which came into being as part of the new Localism Act 2011.

## 6. <u>The Queen's Diamond Jubilee</u>

The attached report by the Town Clerk sets out a number of options for the Town Council to consider on how it might wish to mark The Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations, together with indicative costings.

The Town Council's instructions are sought.

## 7. <u>Business Rates Update and Request to Continue Lobbying Locally</u>

The Town Council is asked to consider the content of the attached briefing note from the National Association of Local Councils regarding the Local Government Finance Bill, and in particular the call measures to be included in the Bill to localise business rates to go further to reflect and incentivise the key role of the local town and parish council in supporting economic and business growth.

The Town Council is asked the request from CALC to write to Andrew George MP on this issue.

## 8. <u>Internal Audit Committee</u>

To receive the minutes of the Internal Audit Committee held on 17 February 2012 and to consider the recommendation contained therein.

Copies of the documents referred to in the minutes will be available at the meeting for inspection.

## 9. Community Land Trust Conference

Councillor Mrs James, as Chair of the Lands End Peninsula Community Land Trust (CLT) has been offered a free place to attend a CLT conference on the new Localism Bill to be held in London on 22 May 2012.

As the conference is primarily on the new Localism Bill Councillor Mrs James has asked if the Town Council would consider paying her travelling expenses as her attendance at the conference would also be beneficial to the Town Council.

The Town Council's instructions are sought on this request.

## 10. CPRE Cornwall

The Town Council is asked to consider the content of the attached letter from CPRE Cornwall dated 27 February 2012, and its request that the Town Council considers joining the organisation.

The Town Council's instructions are sought.

# 11. Finance

(a) Applications for Financial Assistance.

The attached report of the Town Clerk gives details on a number of requests for financial assistance which have been submitted to the Town Council for consideration.

## (b) Accounts for Payment

The Council is asked to approve the schedule of accounts for payment as presented at the meeting by the Town Clerk.

# (c) Letters of Thanks

## 12. Planning

#### (a) Applications

As part of the formal consultation process, the Town Council's comments are sought on applications received from Cornwall Council since the last meeting as set out on the attached schedule. Copies of the applications are available for

inspection at the Town Council offices.

#### (b) Decisions

To note the decisions received since the last meeting.

## 13. <u>Information Items</u>

#### 1. Public Conveniences Review Update for Town and Parish Councils

The Town Council is asked to note the contents of a letter from Councillor Julian German, regarding an update on the latest position regarding the public conveniences review.

## 2. <u>Proposal to Empower Town & Parish Councils</u>

The Town Council is asked to note the response from the Department of Communities and Local Government regarding the proposal to empower town and parish councils submitted by Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council.

## 14. <u>Matters for Report</u>

Town Councillors to raise any matters for report.

## 15. <u>Exclusion of the Press and Public</u>

If necessary, to consider passing the following resolution:

"RESOLVED – that under Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, it is proposed that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the business specified in the following item(s)

## LARGE PRINT VERSION AVAILABLE ON REQUEST