

MINUTES of the TOWN MEETING of ST JUST-IN-PENWITH TOWN COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, 1 Chapel Street, St Just on Monday 23 May 2011 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillor M Thomas - Mayor
Councillor Mrs S James – Deputy Mayor

COUNCILLORS

Ms P S Angove	F Morris
B F Angwin	M Nicholls
K McFadden	Mrs S Olds
N McFadden	D Stevens

TOWN CLERK

Elaine Baker

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Chris Goninan – Cornwall Councillor
Annie James - Manager St Just Library
Caroline Dugdale - Area Operations Manager, Library Service, Cornwall Council
Andy Golay - Cornwall Council
Charlie Griffiths - Architect, LEPCLT
Alan Fox - Cornwall Community Land Trust

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor McClary.

TC.10 PUBLIC ADDRESS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Town Council received a presentation from Owen Davies about a project for a new enlarged and improved skate park facility in St Just. Owen commented that a new facility was needed because older skaters vandalised the current skate park, and it was often too crowded and had health and safety issues.

A Facebook page had been set up and 170 people had already signed up in support of the scheme.

The proposal was for a “key hole” bowl and drawings of the construction were circulated to members of the Town Council.

Details of potential funding organisations were also circulated.

A number of fundraising activities had been organised towards the project.

The Deputy Mayor thanked Owen and his friends for attending the meeting and putting their proposal to the Town Council.

The Town Council agreed to consider the proposal at its next meeting on 13 June 2011.

TC.11 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

The Deputy Mayor declared a personal interest in minute no. TC.23/11(Land's End Peninsula Community Land Trust) as Chairman of the Community Land Trust.

Councillor Stevens declared a prejudicial interest in minute no. TC.19/11 (Applications for Financial Assistance) as a member of the committee of the St Just Recreation Centre.

TC.12 REPORT OF TOWN MAYOR, DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCILLORS

The Mayor reported that he had attended the Hayle Town Council Mayor Making Ceremony on 12 May 2011, and together with the Deputy Town Mayor the Marazion Town Council Mayor Making Ceremony on 17 May.

The Deputy Mayor reported that she had attended a meeting of the Centre for Pendeen on 3 May and the St Ives Town Council Mayor Making Ceremony on 16 May.

Councillor Ms Angove reported that she had attended an e-Planning meeting at the end of April.

Councillor Stevens reported that he had attended a meeting of the Plen Project on 19 May regarding a new building.

TC.13 REPORT OF CORNWALL COUNCILLOR

Councillor Goninan reported on the following issues:-

Geevor

Bill Lakin was recovering from an operation and therefore the meeting at County Hall had been cancelled. However, a successful meeting had been held with Tamsin Daniel.

Highways

A meeting with representatives of Cornwall Council's Highways Department and local residents had taken place on 12 May at Truthwall.

Schemes for Truthwall were now being costed and would be presented to the residents as part of the final consultation.

Health Issues

Councillor Goninan was concerned over the level of emergency activity at Treliske Hospital due to implications that the number of patients above plan had only been paid 30% of the payment by result tariff. In the last financial year, at RCHT there had been over 1,400 spells above plan, a spell being the time from admission to finally being discharged to home. This had a considerable impact not only on the

finances of the trust but also on its performance. In March, RCHT had only 59% of patients meeting the Right to Treatment standard, which should be 90% of patients receiving RTT within 18 weeks. RCHT had the worst hospital figures in the South West in respect of this issue. This also affected a number of other issues, but with consultants trying to catch up on elective work, he was concerned that more outpatient appointments were being held at Treリスケ to deal with the backlog and this resulted in residents having to travel greater distances for appointments.

There had also been concerns about the future of a doctor led casualty service at West Cornwall Hospital.

Housing Issues

A meeting had been held to try to re-establish regular meetings between Cornwall Councillors and Penwith Housing Association concerning strategic developments being considered by providers and issues which councillors wished to have discussed on behalf of their residents. Progress was being made with the possibility of meetings being held in three areas, west, central or east.

Children's Centre

Attended a meeting at the Brambles Nursery with Councillor Bill Maddern, staff and local parents to discuss possible changes to local services. The meeting was generally positive and further consultation meetings would be held.

St Just Library/Shared Services

A councillor's consultation event was held at St Clare with officers from Cornwall Council. The meeting had not been well attended by our library staff but it's future looked secure with more services hopefully being delivered from the building.

Community Chest

Councillor Goninan reported that his Community Chest was now open and asked for any community groups who needed help with funding to get in contact with him.

TC.14 TOURIST INFORMATION SERVICE (TIC) ST JUST LIBRARY

Annie James and Carol Dugdale attended the meeting to update the Town Council on the arrangements for the TIC in St just.

It was confirmed that the £2,500.00 allocated by the Town Council in its 2011 / 2012 budget for TIC provision in the town would be used to enable the TIC to operate from 11 July to 10 September 2011, a total of nine weeks during periods when the library would normally be closed. This would be achieved by using a combination of permanent and relief library staff and experienced agency workers.

The total cost of 27 hours per week for nine weeks was £2,267.19p.

This left £232.81p which would be used for training purposes.

The Council was also advised that volunteers may be used and expressions of interest had been received. The Library would be working with the Land's End

Accommodation Providers and Volunteer Cornwall who had also offered help. It was confirmed that the TIC would be open as follows through the nine week period.

09.30 – 4.00 Monday
10.00 - 4.00 Tuesday
09.30 – 5.00 Wednesday
10.00 – 4.00 Thursday
09.30 – 6.30 Friday
10.00 – 1.00 Saturday

The Town Council noted the arrangements.

The Town Council was also advised that Steve Kessell, Visit Cornwall had confirmed that information on graded accommodation would be made available on the Visit Cornwall website.

TC.15 COUNCILLOR REQUEST FOR ITEM TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA

E-Planning

Councillor Ms Angove reported that she had attended a meeting of Cornwall Council's e-Planning Group and that she had been impressed by the development that had been made in respect of accessing planning applications electronically and the work being done by some local councils across Cornwall in this area.

It was AGREED that Cornwall Council be invited to a future meeting of the Town Council to give a presentation on e-Planning.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

Needs and Future Aspirations for St Just and Pendeen and How the Town Council Should Move Forward & Observer Role on Outside Bodies and Grant-Aided Organisations

Councillor Ms Angove explained that the purpose of the item was to give the Town Council an opportunity to debate its future direction, in particular how it dealt with reoccurring applications for grant funding from outside organisations. Councillor Ms Angove suggested that one of the roles of those councillors appointed to outside bodies should be to report back to the Council on its work and financial position at least on an annual basis. This would assist the Council in its decisions on funding applications.

The Deputy Mayor felt that it was important for the Council to be more proactive in its contact with younger people and suggested a possible link with the local school's Youth Council. This would clearly demonstrate the Council's willingness to engage with the local youth.

Councillor Nicholls stated that his earlier intention in bringing this issue to the Council was to possibly suggest that a public meeting be arranged with the local community to determine its views on future needs for St Just and Pendeen.

RESOLVED: That a working party be established to consider the issues discussed and to make recommendations to the Council on a possible way forward.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.16 BOSAVERN FARM ALLOTMENTS

The Council considered the contents of a letter from Cornwall Council regarding the proposed draft heads of terms for allotments at Bosavern Farm following a meeting which had been held on 21 April attended by Councillor Stevens.

Councillor Stevens advised the Town Council that unfortunately LAG funding had been frozen for new applications. However, an expression of interest had been previously submitted to the LAG and approved, and in view of this it was hoped that if funding became available at the end of July then the Town Council would be in a favourable position, but this had not been confirmed.

It was agreed that Councillor Stevens would contact David Rodda, Cornwall Development Company regarding other possible funding streams and that the Town Clerk be asked to write to Adam Birchall, Cornwall Council advising him of the current position, whilst reaffirming the Town Council's wish to see the project delivered.

(Action by: Elaine Baker)

TC.17 SOLOPROTECT – LONE WORKING

The Town Clerk provided the Town Council with details on an identicom Scheme to reduce the risk to Town Council staff working in a lone worker environment.

RESOLVED: That the purchase of one i1770 system on a 36 month contract be approved with immediate effect.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.18 USE OF PLEN-AN-GWARRY & MARKET SQUARE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

RESOLVED: That the use of the Plen-an-Gwarry and the Market Square electricity supply by the Lafrowda Committee on 16 July 2001 for the Lafrowda Day celebrations be approved.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.19 FINANCE

(a) Financial Assistance

Councillor Stevens declared a prejudicial interest in respect of the request from the St Just Recreation Centre as a committee member and withdrew from the meeting for consideration of the item.

The Town Council considered requests from the Trustees of the Bolitho Club in respect of proposed works to the building and from St Just Recreation Centre in respect of further maintenance and improvement works.

RESOLVED: That no award of financial assistance be made to either

organisation.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

(b) Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED: That the accounts to the value of £4,201.40 be approved for payment.

(c) Letters of Thanks

Letters of thanks were received from St Just in Bloom and Pendeen Parish Rooms.

TC.20 PLANNING

(a) Applications

PA11/03322 Demolition of outbuilding and construction of dwelling with associated works on land opposite 2 and 3 Church Road, Pendeen. Applicant: Mr. A. Patrick. **(T Cl. No Objection).**

PA11/03330 Conservation Area Consent for demolition of outbuilding and construction of dwelling with associated works on land opposite 2 and 3 Church Road, Pendeen. Applicant: Mr. A. Patrick. **(T Cl. No Objection).**

PA11/03015 Demolition of existing sun lounge and construction of single storey extension on south west elevation and replacement of existing flat roof with pitched roof on existing storey extension. Applicant: Mr. D. Harris. **(T Cl. No Objection).**

PA11/03103 Stationing of 4 static holiday homes at Roseland's Caravan Park, Doran, and St. Just. Applicant: Mr. C. Flack. **(T Cl. No Objection).**

PA11/03292 Construction of replacement garages and workshop (amended design W1/10/0012 to incorporate alterations to roof) at 2, Bollowal Place, Cape Cornwall Road, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. N. Hayward. **(T Cl. No Objection).**

(b) Decisions

PA11/0166 Construction of 4 workshops with associated parking at Chywoone Rural Workshops. Applicant Mr. Terrance Morris Agricultural Ltd. **Approval** (T Cl. Support).

PA11/01924 Change of use of land and siting of a kiosk and catering trailer at Levant Mine, Trewellard, Pendeen. Applicant National Trust. **Withdrawn** (T Cl. Strong Objection).

TC.21 INFORMATION ITEMS

The Town Council noted the contents of a letter from the Mayor of the City of Bendigo, Australia, Cornwall Council regarding car parks and details on a

Renewable Energy Conference being organised by Cornwall Council on 28 & 29 July 2011.

TC.22 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

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)

TC.23 LAND'S END PENINSULA COMMUNITY LAND TRUST (LEPCLT)

The Town Council received an update on progress from members of the LEPCLT, and Cornwall Council representative, and in particular received details on three potential affordable housing sites within the parish.

The Town Council confirmed that if LEPCLT decided to move forward to planning application stage on any of these sites, and the Town Council was supportive of the proposals, it was happy for the application to be submitted in the name of the Town Council as this would reduce the application fee by 50%.

TC.24 TOWN COUNCIL INSURANCE 2011 / 2012

RESOLVED: That the renewal quotation received from Zurich Municipal in respect of one year's insurance cover with effect from 1 June 2011 to 31 May 2012 be accepted.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

Meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

Town Mayor