MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING of ST JUST-IN-PENWITH TOWN COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, 1 Chapel Street, St Just on Monday 3 August 2015 at 7.15 p.m.

## **PRESENT**

Councillor K McFadden - Town Mayor Councillor Mrs F Cock – Deputy Town Mayor

## **COUNCILLORS**

B Clemens D Roberts
N McFadden G Roberts
T McFadden Mrs G Salmon
F Morris D Stevens

#### **TOWN CLERK**

Elaine Baker

#### ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Dave & Sylvia Smith & Colin Stevens – St Just Community ABC Ltd.
Stephen Semmens – Local resident
Nicki McFadden – Applicant PA15/05214
Sharon Olds – Local resident
Members of the public

## TC.90 PUBLIC ADDRESS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

None.

# TC.91 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mrs Blundy, Mrs McQueen and Cllr Mrs James.

## TC.92 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

The Town Mayor and T McFadden declared a non-registerable interest in minute no. TC.97/15(a (Applications) in relation the planning application PA15/05214 as they were related to the applicant and agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of the application.

Cllr N McFadden declared a pecuniary interest in minute no. TC.97/15(a) (Applications) in relation to planning application PA15/05214 as the applicant and agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of the application.

Cllr Mrs Salmon declared a non-registerable interest in minute no. TC.97/15(a) (Grant Applications) as a member of the St Just in Bloom Group and agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of the application.

## TC.93 <u>DISPENSATIONS</u>

There were no dispensations granted.

## TC.94 MINUTES

<u>RESOLVED</u>: That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 20 July 2015 be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Town Mayor.

## TC.95 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## TC.96 FINANCE

#### (a) Financial Assistance

In accordance with her disclosure of interest, Cllr Mrs Salmon withdrew from the meeting for consideration of the grant application from the St Just in Bloom Group.

The Town Council considered a report by the Town Clerk which set out requests for financial assistance from the St Just Community ABC Ltd. towards the cost of installing disabled toilet facilities within the Town Hall which had been deferred from the last meeting, and the St Just in Bloom Group towards its sustainability project.

David & Sylvia Smith attended the meeting to respond to questions from the Town Council regarding the installation of disabled toilets at The Old Town Hall. David Smith explained that in addition to the grant funding application to the Town Council, the group had also secured £5,000 from BBC Radio Cornwall which meant that they could now commence with Phase 1 of the works.

Following detailed discussion the Town Council

RESOLVED: That the following grants be awarded:-

(a) St Just Community ABC Ltd. £2,000.00 (b) St Just in Bloom £1,000.00

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

## (b) Accounts for Payment

<u>RESOLVED</u>: That the accounts to the value of £1,226.03 be approved for payment.

(Action by: Elaine Baker)

#### (c) <u>Letters of Thanks</u>

The Town Clerk reported that letters of thanks had been received from Pendeen Gig Club and the St Just Amateur Boxing Club in respect of the recent grant awards.

#### TC.97 PLANNING

## (a) Applications

**PA15/06380** Proposed concrete hard standing for horse trailer and portable stable/tack room at Higher Tregiffian Farm, Tregiffian, St. Buryan. Applicant: Mr. Jeremy Jenkins. (**T Cl No objection**)

In accordance with their declarations of interests the Town Mayor, N McFadden and T McFadden withdrew from the meeting for consideration of the following planning application.

In the absence of the Town Mayor, the Deputy Town Mayor took the Chair for consideration of the following item.

**PA15/05214** Retention of earthworks and use of land for Landscape Contractor's business at Access track to Leswidden Fuel Depot, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. T.N. McFadden.

The Town Clerk commented that no further comments had been received from the planning officer pending site visits to both the Leswidden and Carnyorth sites.

It was proposed by Cllr Morris and seconded by Cllr Clemens that the application be deferred pending the receipt of formal comments from the planning officer.

Cllr Stevens proposed that the Council submit an objection to the planning application on the grounds of inappropriate development within the AONB, detrimental effect on iconic Balleswidden Mine Stack which lay adjacent to the site (impact on WHS), that the land was not designated as industrial land (not a brownfield site) and that approval to the development would set a dangerous precedent with the AONB and WHS. The proposal was seconded by Cllr D Roberts.

The second proposal was put to the vote and approved 3 votes to 4.

RESOLVED: T Cl objection on the grounds of inappropriate development within the AONB, detrimental effect on iconic Balleswidden Mine Stack which lies adjacent to the site (impact on WHS), that the land is not designated as industrial land (not a brownfield site) and that approval to the development would set a dangerous precedent with the AONB and WHS.

**PA15/06479** Retention of installed ATM and associated works at Arica House, 13, Market Square, St. Just. Applicant: Ms. Louisa Wolstencroft, Cardtronics U.K Ltd. (**T Cl No objection**).

**PA15/06480** Advertisement consent for the retention of illuminated lettering internally illuminated acrylic fascia sign at Arica House, 13, Market Square, St. Just. Applicant: Ms. Louisa Wolstencroft, Cardtronics U.K Ltd. (**T Cl No objection**)

**PA15/06573** Retention of 3 replacement antennas and 1 like for like replacement 300mm dish atop existing 15m high lattice tower and ancillary development thereto at Telecommunication Site 11916, land at St. Just B.T. Radio Station, Higher Bosavern, St. Just. Applicant: E.E. Ltd. (**T CI No objection**).

## (b) Decisions

**PA15/04747** Construction of two single storey holiday units at Highfield Stables, Access Track to Highfields, Nancherrow, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. W. Tieken. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection in principle but would prefer the front elevations facing down the Tregeseal Valley to be granite faced due to the prominent location of the site).

**PA15/05058** Erection of a single detached dwelling on land at Carnyorth, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. David King. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

#### (c) Enforcements

ENF15/01104 – Construction of a chalet, land to the r/o 11, Botallack Moor. The Town Clerk reported that the enforcement case had been closed as the landowner had confirmed that that the shed was to be solely used for storage purposes, and that as such it was ancillary to the main accommodation and did not require planning consent.

## TC.98 INFORMATION ITEMS

The Town Council received the following:-

- Open letter from Cllr Edwina Hannaford to Mark Williams, Chairman of the Cornwall Branch of the Society of Local Council Clerks and Sarah Mason, Executive Officer, CALC regarding the change in sending paper copies of planning applications to local councils;
- Notification from Cornwall Council of the Town & Parish Council Summit with the Voluntary Sector to be held on Wednesday 30 September 2015 at County Hall Truro; and
- Notification of the Coming into Force of Public Path Order Highways Act 1980 –
   Section 119 The Cornwall Council (Footpath No.4. St Just-in-Penwith (Part))
   (Kerrow Farm & Environs) Public Path Diversion Order 2015.

# TC.99 MATTERS FOR REPORT

The Town Clerk reported that she had received an email from Cllr Mrs James regarding the introduction of car parking charges for local residents using the spaces at the St Just Football Club. The Town Clerk reminded the Council that in October 2011 (min no. TC129/11 referred)) it had approved expenditure for the provision of 12 free car parking spaces for residents in exchange for the club's car park being resurfaced. Local residents

were concerned at the introduction of a £150.00 annual charge and therefore Cllr Mrs James had brought the matter to the Council's attention.

However, the Town Clerk explained that she had spoken to Malcom Ellis, Chairman of the football club who had confirmed that the charges related to additional car parking that was being created and did not apply to the 12 free spaces provided by the Council.

The Deputy Town Mayor reported that she had received a number of complaints from local residents regarding the condition of the road surface between West Place and Bosorne Street, St Just. The Town Clerk said that she would report the matter to Cornwall Council's Highways West Team.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

Cllr G Roberts reported that unfortunately he had been unable to attend the Pengarth Day Centre AGM.

Cllr Clemens reported on a successful Pendeen Silver Band week and that the band had been the recipient of a £1,000 donation from Cape Cornwall Golf Club.

## TC.100 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

<u>RESOLVED</u> – 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.

## TC.101 SUBMISSION OF DEVOLUTION BUSINESS CASE

The Town Council received the contents of an outline business case to Cornwall Council's Strategic Devolution Group which proposed a rationalisation of Cornwall Council assets and services within the locality to achieve budgetary savings.

## **RESOLVED:- That**

- (1) the Town Clerk is authorised to submit the outline business case to Cornwall Council's Strategic Devolution Group on behalf of the Town Council;
- (2) the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Town Mayor, Deputy Town Mayor and Cllr Stevens is authorised to continue to work with Cornwall Council on the development of a detailed business case; and
- (3) the detailed business case is brought before the Town Council for final approval prior to submission to Cornwall Council.

Meeting closed at 7.40 p.m.

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