

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 9 February 2015 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillor K McFadden - Town Mayor
Councillor N McFadden – Deputy Town Mayor

COUNCILLORS

Mrs M Blundy	F Morris
Mrs F Cock	D Roberts
T McFadden	G Roberts
Mrs G McQueen	Mrs G Salmon

TOWN CLERK

Elaine Baker

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr Mrs S James – Cornwall Council
Richard Marsden – Laurence Associates

PUBLIC ADDRESS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

None.

TC.256 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Cllr Clemens.

TC.257 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Cllr Mrs Salmon declared a non-discloseable interest in TC.262 (Applications) in respect of planning application PA14/00560 as she was related to the applicant and agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of the application.

TC.258 DISPENSATIONS

None received.

TC.259 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 26 January 2015 be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Town Mayor.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.260 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

TC.261 FINANCE

(a) Financial Assistance

The Town Council considered a report by the Town Clerk which set out details of requests for financial assistance from the Nancherrow Project towards its youth "drop in" sessions and the Cornwall Male Voice Choral Festival towards its biennial festival.

RESOLVED: That the following grant awards be approved.

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| (a) | Nancherrow Project | £3,000.00 |
| (b) | Cornwall International Male Voice Choral Festival | £200.00 |

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

(b) Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED: That the accounts to the value of £212.76 be approved for payment.

(Action by: Elaine Baker)

(c) Letters of Thanks

None.

TC.262 PLANNING

(a) Pre-application

Richard Marsden , Laurence Associates attended the meeting to seek the Town Council's informal views on a potential development on land adjacent to the Queen's Arms, Botallack prior to the submission of a formal planning application to Cornwall Council.

Mr Marsden explained that Laurence Associates had been asked to carry out a feasibility study by the Tregothan Estate. The proposal was for three to four detached houses of a traditional design which was sympathetic to the character of the rural village location. The properties would remain part of the Tregothan Estate. The Town Council's initial view was supportive of the proposal but reserved its formal views until the submission of a planning application.

(b) Applications

PA15/00533 Material alterations to previously approved application PA14/04560. Construction of two storey extension, alterations and installation of PV panels at 10, Old Foundry Close, Nancherrow, St. Just. Applicant: Mrs. J. Doland. **(T Cl strong objection on grounds of design out of keeping with the rest of the housing estate).**

In accordance with her declaration of interest Cllr Mrs Salmon withdrew from the meeting for consideration of the following application.

PA15/00560 Domestic extension at Kittiwake, Escalls Cliff, Sennen, Penzance. Applicants: Mr. and Mrs. D. Jackson. **(T Cl no objection).**

PA15/00580 Advertisement consent for the siting of a visibility (threshold) sign and a welcome and orientation sign at Cape Cornwall, St. Just. Applicant: National Trust. **(T Cl no objection)**

The Town Clerk also reported the receipt of further comments from the Planning Officer in respect of application PA14/08512 Nineveh Farm, Trewellard. The Planning Officer had originally stated that she was concerned at the scale of the development and the Town Council had supported this view. However, the Planning Officer had revised her comments as the application was not for an unfettered dwelling but ancillary accommodation to be used in conjunction with the farm and as the building would be similar in scale to the extant garage / workshop the officer was recommending conditional approval of the application.

The Town Council expressed its concern at the planning officer's amended comments which were contrary to those submitted when the Council had previously considered the application. The Council was also concerned that its views were not being taken into consideration. On the basis of the above the Council:-

RESOLVED : That

- (1) Cornwall Council is advised that the Town Council's objection remains on the grounds of scale of the development and inappropriate use of material; and
- (2) The Town Clerk be requested to write to the Planning Officer, copied to Miles Foreman, local Cornwall Councillor, Community Network Manager and Chair of the Area Planning Sub Committee outlining the Council's concerns regarding the consultation process and in particular concerns that the Town Council's comments are not being taken into account in the consideration of planning applications.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

(c) Decisions

PA14/11774 Proposed stone faced extension replacing existing timber conservatory including a roof light at Long Barn, Lower Boscaswell, Pendeen. Applicant: Mr. G. Berry. **Approval** (T. Cl. Support).

PA14/09999 Proposed extension and internal alterations at 4, Carrallack Mews, St. Just. Applicants: Mr. and Mrs. J. Curnow. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

TC.263 CLOSED CHURCHYARD, ST JUST

The Town Clerk reported that she had received a request from Martin Banks, Local Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, St Just regarding the erection of signage on the entrance to the Closed Churchyard advising people to keep their dogs on the lead as there had been an increase in dog fouling, damage to plants and disturbance to hibernating wildlife. Mr Banks had also suggested wording for the sign.

The Town Council considered the request but felt that the erection of a sign would be ineffective as a deterrent and therefore did not support the request. Accordingly, it was agreed that Mr Banks be informed of the Council's decision.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.264 INFORMATION ITEMS

None.

TC.265 MATTERS FOR REPORT

The Town Clerk advised the Town Council on the current position regarding Cornwall Council's Face-to-Face Service, and in particular the future of the Library Service. The Town Council was informed that Cornwall Council was currently working on a revised programme of public consultation in the light of a recent legal challenge.

The Town Council was also advised of details of the West Cornwall HealthWatch Annual General Meeting to be held on 6 March 2015 and the nomination process to the Committee.

Cllr G Roberts reported that he had attended the CAP meeting on 5 February 2015.

Cllr Mrs McQueen raised an issue relating to a tree preservation order at Leat Road, Pendeen.

Meeting closed at 8.04 p.m.

Town Mayor