

A Meeting of the Town Council was held on Monday 23rd July 2007 in the Council Chamber at 1 Chapel Street St Just.

Present: Councillor M Nicholls – Town Mayor
Councillor C McClary – Deputy Town Mayor
Councillors Mrs S Olds, M Thomas, B F Angwin, KMcFadden, N McFadden,
D Stevens, B Rees together with the Town Clerk (Mrs E George).

1.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mrs S Smith.

2.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A Declaration of Interest in agenda item 11(d) was made by Councillor D Stevens.

3.REPORT OF TOWN MAYOR

The Town Mayor gave a verbal report (copy to the Clerk) of his official appointments since the last full meeting of the Council as follows:

- 26th June – Cape Cornwall School – A Diary of Two Journeys.
- 2nd July – a meeting with Arthur Roberts re funding of St Just in Bloom
- 9th July – St Just in Bloom – start of judging and welcoming the judge.
- 21st July – Lafrowda Day – Old Cornwall Society and 12 noon parade.

4.REPORT OF THE DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

The Deputy Town Mayor reported that he had attended a meeting at Geevor regarding the World Heritage Site and Management Plan.

5.REPORT OF TOWN COUNCILLORS

Councillor Rees reported that he had attended meetings as follows: 3 Veterans Day meeting and a St Just in Bloom meeting.

Councillor Thomas reported that he had attended a meeting of the Mayors Parlour Group at Penwith District Council in place of the Town Mayor.

Councillor Stevens reported a meeting of the MCTI and stated that the document was with the printers and would be launched on 1st August.

Councillor K McFadden reported his attendance at an Affordable Housing Presentation at County Hall and believed this could be a possible Agenda item in the future.

6.REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Nil.

7.REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Nil.

8.REPORT OF THE POLICE OFFICER

In the absence of the Police Officer, the Clerk read the report in which 14 crimes were reported. This compared to 27 for the same period last year. It was reported that Lafrowda

Day was held without any serious incidents. The Police dealt with 2 road traffic collisions, and 2 reported incidents of disorder to the end of the evening, other minor incidents were dealt with on scene to the satisfaction of those involved.

9.CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

The Council unanimously resolved that the minutes of the meetings held on 25th June 2007 and 7th July 2007 be confirmed and signed.

10.MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a)Land at Boscaswell Downs – update

The Clerk reported that Mr Nigel Sumpter indicated that some financial help with legal costs would be available from the County Council in due course.

The Council voted unanimously to instruct the Clerk to proceed with contacting the solicitors for the legal work to be undertaken for the transfer of the lease of the above piece of community land as agreed.

b)Casual Vacancy – update

The Clerk reported that the timetable for the election was now in process. Noted.

c)Veterans Day – update(BR)

Councillor Rees gave an update on the proposed events for the day. Councillor Thomas expressed his concern at the road closure and the affect on the traders in the town.

Councillor Rees explained that the road would not be closed until 12 noon. This was then agreed to be acceptable.

11.FINANCE

a)Applications for financial assistance

Cornwall Dyslexia Association.

The Clerk reported receipt of the accounts and gave details accordingly. The Council resolved not to award any financial assistance at this time.

b)Letters of thanks.

Nil.

c)Accounts for payment:

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Totalling = £3629.62

d)Report re office computer equipment

The Clerical assistant Ms Emma Sanson had issued a report to the Council on the lack of memory on her computer in the office. This was causing considerable problems particularly with saving information or amending existing documents etc.

The Council instructed the Clerk to obtain some professional advice and assistance to improve the memory capacity if possible.

12.PLANNING

Councillor Thomas made the following statement:

“On commenting on the following application I should make it clear that my comments are based on the information currently available and do not commit me to taking the same position when the matter is discussed at the District Planning Committee when full information is available.”

a)Applications

07/S/0004/F Modification of clause 4 of the third schedule of a section 106 agreement under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, dated 15th July 2004 in respect of sales or lettings by mortgagees for L & K Developments at land at Bosorne Road, St Just.

The Council voted unanimously to object to the above application and agreed that the original clause be retained in its existing form.

b)Decisions

07/P/0361/F Demolition of existing garage and construction of dwelling and associated works at Dunheved, Trewellard for Mr & Mrs Harris. Refusal (T Cl. No objection.)

07/P/0450/F

Installation of two solar panels on rear roof extension for Mr C Goninan at 11 South Place St Just . Approved (T Cl. No objection)

07/P/0467/F

Construction of garage/store at UK Stunts Ltd. Leswidden Dries, Leswidden for Mr M May. Refusal. (T.Cl. supported)

c)Letter from the Planning Department – information required with applications
A copy of the above information was issued to all Town Councillors.

13.PARKING IN SOUTH PLACE(BR)

Councillor Rees raised the subject of inconsiderate parking in South Place and the fact that it had recently been reported that vehicles were obstructing the access to the post-box at that location.

The Clerk was instructed to contact the County Council with regard to parking in South Place.

14.ALLOTMENTS PROVISION FOR ST JUST AND PENDEEN (DS)

Councillor Stevens stated that he had been approached by members of the public in St Just and Pendeen requesting consideration be given to the provision of allotments in the area. He had been looking at details from other local Councils relating to land acquisition, provision of sheds, costings etc together with an adequate water supply, security of the site etc. Some suitable land had been identified within St Just and this would need to be looked at further.

He would progress the subject and report back to the Council in due course.

15.WHAT ARE THE COUNCILS THOUGHTS ON MEETING INFORMALLY ONCE/TWICE A YEAR WITH NEIGHBOURING PARISH COUNCILS. (MN)

Councillor Nicholls raised this idea based on the “clustering” idea proposed some while ago by national government.

On a proposal by Councillor N McFadden, seconded by Councillor M Thomas it was unanimously agreed that the Council writes to the neighbouring parishes of Zennor, Morvah, Sennen, St Levan, St Buryan, and Sancreed and ask the Parish Council if it would support such an idea.

16.CORRESPONDENCE:

a)CCC- One Cornwall – supplementary submission by CCC
The Clerk reported receipt of this information. Noted.

b)PDC _ - Review of Polling District

This review which requires completion by December 2007 was consulting with Parish and Towns Councils to determine if the present arrangements best suit the needs of the electors in the area.

The Council noted this review.

17. PUBLICATIONS:

The Clerk reported receipt of the following publications that were available to Councillors on request.

- a)St Just in Bloom
- b)PAROW – minutes and agenda
- c)NALC – Local Council Journal
- d)Clerks and Councils direct – newsletter

18. MATTERS OF REPORT

Councillor Stevens reported on the success of the recent Lafrowda Day.

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

CONFIRMED THIS 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2007

Town Mayor

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