

Public Speaking: Prior to the commencement of the meeting a member of the public was given permission to speak to the Council regarding planning application 07/P/1153/F.

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A Meeting of the Town Council was duly convened and held in the Council Chamber at 1 Chapel Street St Just on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> October 2007 at 7.15 p.m.

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

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**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Nil.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Olds declared an interest in the application for financial assistance made by the St Just Pre-School Playgroup.

Councillor Thomas declared an interest in planning applications 07/J/0053 and 07/P/1099/FA.

Councillor Angove declared an interest in planning applications 07/J/0053 and 07/P/1099/FA .

Councillors Angwin, N McFadden and K McFadden all declared an interest in planning applications 07/P/1099/FA and 07/P/1139/F.

**3. TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT**

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

- 10<sup>th</sup> October – Working Party
- 12<sup>th</sup> October – Mayors Parlour Meeting
- 15<sup>th</sup> October – Cape Cornwall School – choosing new head
- 21<sup>st</sup> October – Madron Service – Trefalgar Day
- 21<sup>st</sup> October – Penzance Wind Band at St Johns Hall
- 25<sup>th</sup> October – Mayors Parlour Meeting with John Wilkinson.

**4. DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT**

Nil.

**5. REPORTS OF TOWN COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Smith reported that she had attended meetings as follows: 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Working Party re Just a Word edit meeting, 9<sup>th</sup> October – Age Concern meeting at St Johns Hall with all the Day Care Managers within Penwith, Social Services and PDC inclusion officer regarding supporting one another for a stronger voice within Cornwall, 15<sup>th</sup> October – Cape Cornwall Comprehensive School re presentation of short listed candidates for the post of new Head Teacher, 23<sup>rd</sup> October - funeral service for Andy Jones the St Just area NBM, 24<sup>th</sup> October – I was invited to a meeting of the Pendeen Gig Club. 29<sup>th</sup> October – AGM of Age Concern St Just.

**6. REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Nil.

**7. REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Angove spoke in her capacity as County Councillor on-

1. Highways budget – being used for monitoring speed cameras locally and
2. Unitary Authority – work is continuing in preparation to set up the new structure.

**8. REPORT OF POLICE OFFICER**

PCSO Andrew Tonkin had faxed the monthly crime report and apologised for his non attendance at this meeting. The Clerk read the report as follows:

7 crimes reported for the period.  
2 assaults and 5 thefts.

The Police are enforcing the double yellow lines and limited waiting areas in the Town. Adults and children warned of the dangers of riding bicycles without lights. Local newsagents will ensure that all children will have lights on their bikes before undertaking early morning deliveries.

**9. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

The minutes of the meetings of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2007 and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2007 were confirmed and signed. Councillors N McFadden and K McFadden abstained from voting.

**10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a) Land at Boscaswell Downs – update (EG)

The Clerk reported that she had received an email from Nigel Sumpter and the County Council had agreed to pay the reasonable costs of the legal transfer of the land. The solicitors were waiting for confirmation of this from the County Council.

b) Casual vacancy – nomination invited and election date

The Clerk reported that nominations were being sought for the casual vacancy and that if a poll is to be held the relevant date is 29<sup>th</sup> November 2007.

c)CCC – “One Cornwall” newsletter

A copy of the above had been issued to all Town Councillors.

d)PDC – recycling provision – response from Mr Mike Toms

The Clerk read a letter from Mr Toms in response to the Councils September letter. He had informed the new contractor of his concerns regarding frequency of emptying and the fact that the public are responding positively to recycling and that adequate resources need to be in place. Mr Toms will monitor the situation and advise of any developments. There is currently no civic amenity site in the West of the District and this is causing a problem with fly tipping. This situation is also currently being addressed.

e)Mayors invite to local groups for visit – response from O.C.S.

The Old Society had written to say they would be pleased to see the Mayor or any Town Councillor at their meetings which were held on the second Tuesday of the Month at 7.30 p.m. at Age Concern St Just. Noted.

The St Just Nursery responded that they would be pleased to receive a visit from a Town Councillor to view the improvements that have been undertaken. Arrangements could be made by telephone.

f)Mayors invite to neighbouring Parish Councils

There had been very little response to this request. St Levan had responded that if a meeting was arranged they would endeavour to attend.

## **11. FINANCE**

a)Applications for financial assistance

Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act

1. St Just Rugby Football Club (awaiting accounts)
2. Cirque Du Ciel
3. St Just Pre-School Playgroup
4. Vitalize (awaiting accounts)
5. St Just Sports Centre
6. Pendeen Band

The Council resolved to make the following donations.

1. St Just RFC - £500
2. Cirque Du Ciel - £200
3. St Just Pre-School Playgroup - £500
4. Vitalize – re-present on receipt of accounts
5. St Just Sports Centre - £1000
6. Pendeen Band - £300.

b)Letters of thanks

RNLI.

c)Accounts for payment:

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Totalling

£5670.45

## **12. PLANNING**

Councillor M Thomas made the following statement:

“In commenting on this 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 and full information is available.”

### **a) Applications**

P/E/16/A/10/FBM

The partial rebuilding of a substandard part of a room. The room is to be used as a dark room and studio space. A canopy is to be added over the doors and also a ramp up to them, at Cape Cornwall School, Cape Cornwall Road, for Executive (Children, young people and families portfolio)

The Town Council fully support this application.

07/P/1184/F

Repaint render on South Elevation a sandstone colour at Sunday School, Cape Cornwall Street for A Reynolds. Town Council had no objection.

07/P/1099/FA

Amendments and revisions to consent 06/P/0031/F reducing amount of new build works, creation of smaller dwelling at Gews Farm, Bethany Place, St Just for Danick developments Ltd. Town Council had no objection provided that the 106 Agreement and the 50% Affordability were kept in place.

07/P/1139/F

Change of use, conversion and renovation of cottage to form holiday let and associated access work at The Old Forge, Crippas Hill for Mr N McFadden  
Town Council fully supported this application.

07/P/1085/F

Construction of Summer House at Bosgrowynek, Bosvargus, St Just for Roy Valentine and Turid Nyhamar. Town Council had no objection.

07/P/1153/F

Demolition of double garage and construction of dwelling at 16 Bank Square, St Just for Mr & Mrs B Whitaker. Town Council had no objection provided that adequate parking provision is made within the curtilage of the site.

07/J/0053

Felling of one Sycamore and Lopping of one Sycamore at Appletree Cottage, Tregeseal for Mrs Jocelyn Hubble. The Town Council supported this application.

07/P/1138/F

Construction of lean to porch on side elevation at Barton Cottage, Lower Trewellard for Ms E Jupe. The Town Council had no objection to this application.

## **b) Decisions**

07/P/1010/F

Construction of dwarf wall UPVC porch on rear elevation at 25, Trewellard Road, Pendeen for Mrs Russett. Tcl: No Objection, PDC APPROVED

06/J/0060

Felling of Pine & Leylandii at The Lodge, Tregeseal, St Just, for Mr Michael Roberts. Tcl: No Objection as long as replanting takes place. PDC: APPROVED

06/P/0528/F

Construction of seven dwellings arranged in a terrace of three and a terrace of four and associated access works at Land at Parcel 1220, Jubilee Place/Crescent Place, Pendeen for Mr J Morris. Tcl: No Objection PDC APPROVED

07/P/0930/F

Construction of Greenhouse at Jasmin Cottage, 7 Lafrowda Terrace, St Just for Mrs J Mouldsley. Tcl: Support PDC APPROVED

07/P/0347/F

Re-roofing with Spanish slate on front roof elevation at 11 Cape Cornwall Street, St Just for Mrs Tregear Tcl: Support PDC APPROVED

07/P/0904/F

Construction of porch on front elevation, extensions on side and rear elevations and other alterations including works to front wall and relocation of access at Corner House, Bosorne St Just, Tcl: Support PDC APPROVED

07/P/0905/F

Enlargement of Ground Floor Extension on rear elevation and construction of first floor extension at 7 Levant Road, Trewellard for Mr O Cornick. Tcl: Support PDC APPROVED

07P0822/F

Replacement of two time expired caravan and portacabin and addition of one new protacabin and toilet facility for office purposes and business operation at Westward Airways Ltd, Lands End Aerodrome, St Just for Westward Airways Ltd Tcl: Support PDC APPROVED

07/P/0853/S

Approval of reserved matters of siting, design and external appearance of 3 dwellings permitted under outline application 05/P/0778/O at Old St John Ambulance Hall, Trewellard for Mr K Scott Tcl: No Objection PDC APPROVED

07/P/1048/F

Two storey rear extension and front porch at 6 South Place, St Just for Mrs Sarah Tieken Tcl: No Objection PDC APPROVED

07/P/0701/F

Construction of extension and alterations at Bosgwyn, Cape Cornwall Road for Mr A Beresford. Tcl: Support PDC APPROVED

07/P/0970/F

Construction of First floor extension on rear elevation for Mr H Thomas Tcl Supported but objected to materials PDC APPROVED

**c) Withdrawn**

07/P/0911/FD

Variation of condition 2 of 04/P/0221 to allow the transfer of the annex of Brea Farmhouse to Brea Barn. WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT

**13. ST JUST IN BLOOM (MN)**

The Mayor stated that he had attended a recent meeting of the St Just in Bloom Committee and they had asked the Town Council to support the Committee by purchasing some floral displays for the area outside the offices during the next summer season. The Council agreed to comply with this request.

**14. PRAYERS – ARE THEY RELEVANT TODAY, OR NECESSARY AND FORM OF ADDRESS WITHIN MEETINGS – E.G. COUNCILLOR, MR, MRS, SURNAMES, CHRISTIAN NAMES. (CMc).**

Councillor C McClary made the following statement for the record.

“Despite comments in the press that might be seen by some to prejudge this agenda item before debate, I remain open minded on these issues.”

The subject of formal address within meetings was debated at length with the final decision being taken to continue with the current practice of formal address within Town Council public meetings. Voting against this decision Councillors Angove and Thomas.

The subject of prayers prior to the commencement of a meeting was also discussed at length. Some Councillors felt it was no longer appropriate while others felt it was important to retain the tradition.

The proposal was put not to continue with prayers before a meeting but to replace it with one minute’s silence for reflection.

Voting for the above proposal – Councillors McClary, Angove, Stevens, Thomas, Olds and Rees,

Voting against the above proposal – Councillor Nicholls, Angwin, Smith, NMcFadden and K McFadden.

The proposal was carried 6 to 5.

**15.TWINNING WITH A TOWN ABROAD (NMc)**

Councillor NMcFadden raised the subject of the possibility of twinning with a town in Europe. He felt there were areas that could form a common link with this part of Penwith. It was stated that the School has a link with a town in Europe and it may be useful to work within that link. The matter to be discussed again when more information was available.

The Clerk stated that the Town Council currently has a sister town informal twinning with Burra in South Australia. Information and local publications have been exchanged and the Schools have been informed and benefited from the link.

**16. CORRESPONDENCE:**

a) Letter from Mrs J Reynolds

The Clerk read this letter from Mrs Reynolds thanking the Town Council for awarding her the Citizen of the Year Award last year and stating how much she appreciated the gesture.

b) PDC letter re Town and Parish representative to Standards Committee

The Town Council had no objection to the nomination stated in the letter.

c) PDC – Councillor C Goninan – Engaging Communities (previously circulated)

The above information had been circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

d) Post Office consultation and survey form from PDC

The Clerk reported that she had completed the survey form on behalf of the Town Council identifying the vital role that the two Post Offices played in the community life of this area and the devastating effect if either one should close. Noted.

**17. PUBLICATIONS**

The following publications had been received and were available on request from the Town Clerks Office:

- a) PDC Delivering Affordable Homes – previously circulated to all Councillors
- b) PAROW – minutes and agenda
- c) PDC – minutes and reports for Council
- d) Outreach Magazine
- e) DEFRA – ways to tackle climate change
- f) The Selus – St Just and Sancreed Parish Church magazine
- g) PDC – Older Peoples Forum – 19<sup>th</sup> edition newsletter
- h) Standards Board – Town and Parish Standard

**18. MATTERS OF REPORT**

Nil.

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