

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 June 2014 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT

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

COUNCILLORS

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

TOWN CLERK

Elaine Baker

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr Sue James – Cornwall Council
Mike Peters – Highways Manager – Cormac Solutions Ltd.

PUBLIC ADDRESS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

None.

TC.37 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

TC.38 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

The Deputy Mayor declared a discloseable interest in respect of Minute No. TC47/14 (Applications), in particular PA14/03797 as Cornwall Garden Services had been awarded the demolition contract and he agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of the application.

Cllr Mrs Cock declared non-discloseable interests in respect of minute no. TC47/14 (Applications), in particular planning applications PA14/04438 and PA14/05020 as she was related to the applicants and agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of these applications.

Cllr D Roberts declared a non discloseable interest in respect of Minute No. TC47/14 (Applications), in particular PA14/04554 as the applicant was a personal friend and he agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of the application.

Cllr G Roberts declared a non-discloseable interest in Minute No. TC46/14 (Finance) in respect of the grant application from Pengarth Day Centre. As a member of the Board of Trustees he agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of the item.

TC.39 DISPENSATIONS

None received.

TC.40 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 27 May 2014 be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Town Mayor.

TC.41 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the meeting.

TC42 MARKET SQUARE, ST JUST

Mike Peters, Highways Manager, Cormac Solutions Ltd attended the meeting to discuss the current waiting restrictions within Market Square, St Just and to outline the process for changing the current Traffic Regulation Order.

Town Councillors commented that the present 30 minute time limitation on the parking bays did not allow sufficient time for people using the local shops and was affecting trade. The Town Council suggested an increase to 45 minutes or 1 hour which it was felt would help the fragile economy and help protect local businesses.

Mr Peters stated that any change in the time would require a change in the current Traffic Regulation Order and outlined the process which would include a period of public consultation the cost for which would be in the region of £3 – £4,000. He also stated that Cornwall Council had no budget for Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs), and that nominations for new orders were only being sought after April 2015 and even then there was no guarantee that funding would be available. It was likely that if the Town Council wished to proceed it would need to fund the cost from its own financial resources. Mr Peters also commented that legislation was currently going through Parliament to replace TROs with new Department of Transport Regulations. This would be a cheaper option but there was no indication as yet as to when the new regulations might be introduced.

Cllr Mrs Cock commented on the existing car parking signage in the square which she felt was too low and needed to be raised which would help to increase public awareness.

The Town Council thanked Mr Peters for attending the meeting, and agreed that further discussion was required before any decision was taken in respect of a new TRO. The Town Clerk was asked to place the item on the agenda of a future Council meeting.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.43 GEEVOR CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Town Clerk updated the Town Council on the progress of the revised Conservation Management Plan for Geevor Tin Mine.

A meeting had been held between representatives of Cornwall Council (CC), English Heritage (EH) and Pendeen Community Heritage (PCH) where it had been jointly agreed that comments received from stakeholders during the consultation period had been incorporated into the new plan and that the plan could now be finalised as a draft for formal adoption by CC, EH and PCH. The plan would be used to support bids for grant funding and set out priorities for future management actions. The document was also a principle document required by EH to enable it to issue a five year term consent for works to the scheduled monument which would remove the need to apply for Scheduled Ancient Monument Consent for proposed works.

A copy of the final approved plan would be sent to the Town Council for information.

TC.44 BUS SHELTER, CARNYORTH

The Town Clerk reported that Cllr Mrs James had raised an issue regarding the future use of the Town Council's bus shelter at Carnyorth in view of the fact that the local bus company had altered the bus stop location which had affected the number of people using the shelter.

The Town Clerk acknowledged that the shelter was in a poor condition but that it still provided additional shelter for those using the local bus service, community bus and walkers to the area. A quotation had been obtained from Far West Gardening Services, the Town Council's approved contractor, and the Town Council was advised that the cost of carrying out some minor landscaping improvement and internal redecoration was £100.00.

The Town Council agreed that it was important to retain the facility for the local community and

RESOLVED: That the quotation from Far West Gardening Services be accepted and that the work as specified be approved.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.45 FRIENDS OF ST JUST LIBRARY

The Town Council considered a request from the "Friends of St Just Library" for Town Council representation on its committee.

RESOLVED: That consideration of Town Council representation on this group be delayed until the Friends Group became a formally constituted group.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.46 FINANCE

(a) Financial Assistance

In accordance with the disclosure of his interest Cllr G Roberts withdrew from the meeting for consideration of the following item.

The Town Council considered a report by the Town Clerk which gave details on a request for financial assistance from the Pengarth Day Centre in respect of its annual transportation costs.

RESOLVED: That the following grants be approved:-

(a) Pengarth Day Centre £500.00

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

(b) Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED: That the accounts to the value of £5,766.52 be approved for payment.

(Action by: Elaine Baker)

(c) Letters of Thanks

Letters of thanks had been received from the St Just District Community Sports Association, Centre of Pendeen and the Pendeen Rally in connection with their recent grant awards.

TC.47 PLANNING

(a) Applications

In accordance with the disclosure of his interest the Deputy Mayor withdrew from the meeting for consideration of the following application.

PA14/03797 Demolition of existing storage building and erection of a new dwelling on land at site of former Trewellard Stores, Pendeen. Applicant: Mr. David Ramsay. **(T Cl no objection)**.

PA14/04140 Application for a small studio/shed in the garden of Archavon, Market Street, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. Kelvin Collins. **(T Cl no objection)**.

PA14/04535 Construction of a domestic garage at 10, Cresswell Terrace, Botallack, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. H. Charman. **(T Cl no objection)**.

PA14/04560 Construction of a side extension, alter the porch and installation of P.V. panels at 10, Old Foundry Close, Nancherrow, St. Just. Applicant: Mrs. J. Hemphill. **(T Cl objection, timber cladding not in keeping with the character of the local area).**

PA14/04710 Proposed refurbishment of rear sunroom with upvc windows/doors at 8, Pleasant Terrace, St. Just. Applicants: Mr. & Mrs. M. Watkins. **(T Cl no objection).**

PA14/04036 Build over existing extension to include a balcony at 4, Crescent Place, Pendeen. Applicant: Mr. Paul Glasspoole. **(T Cl no objection).**

PA14/04578 Various tree works at Carvorrow, 13, Carrallack Terrace, St. Just. Applicant: Mrs. Ethel Angwin. **(For Information Only).**

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

PA14/04438 Conversion of attached outbuildings and extension to form granny annex to Gurland Farm Cottage, St. Just. Applicants: Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Morrison. **(T Cl objection, timber cladding not in keeping with the character of the building).**

In accordance with the disclosure of his interest Cllr D Roberts withdrew from the meeting for consideration of the following application

PA14/04554 Demolition of extension and construction of new timber frame extension. Replacement of all UPVC doors and windows with painted hardwood doors and windows at Hendra Cottage, Hendra, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. Alexei Rutkowski. **T Cl objection, timber cladding not in keeping with the character of the buildings).**

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

PA14/05020 Replacement windows and front porch door at 42, Cape Cornwall Street, St. Just. Applicants: Mr. & Mrs. Roger Cargeeg. **(T Cl no objection).**

(b) Decisions

PA14/03311 Listed Building Consent for installation of solid fuel burning stove in Vestal Cottage (No. 2) Pendeen Lighthouse. Applicant: Trinitas Services Ltd. **Approval (T. Cl. No Objection).**

PA13/10878 Restoration of current single house back into two separate dwellings at 1-2 Chapel Terrace, Trewellard, Pendeen. Applicant: Mr. Stephen Perrin. **Approval (T. Cl. No Objection).**

(c) Enforcements

EN14/00619 – Botallack Moor
Letter had been sent to the owner of the caravan.

EN14/00781 – Chywoone Rural Workshops, St Just
Following a recent site visit submission of a pre-planning application had been advised regarding the proposed siting of a building on the site. However, following concerns raised by other local Cornwall Councillors a further site visit was to be made as there were concerns that there may be a breach of planning control.

TC.48 INFORMATION ITEMS

None received.

TC.49 Matters for Report

The Deputy Mayor reported that Jonathan Hancock, on behalf of the Lafrowda Festival had passed on their thanks to the Town Council for covering the cost of additional road signage.

The Town Clerk advised the Council that Grant Thornton had completed the audit for the year ending 31 March 2014 and was pleased to report that the information contained in the annual return was in accordance with proper accounting practices.

The Town Clerk reported that the Town Mayor had received an invitation to light the annual Midsummer Bonfire at Chapel Carn Brea on 23 June 2014. As this was on the same night as the next Town Council meeting it was RESOLVED that the time of the meeting be brought forward to 6.30 pm to enable the Mayor and Town Councillors to attend.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

The Town Clerk reported that confirmation had been received that the next meeting of the Mayors Healthcare Campaign Partnership was to be held on Thursday 12 June 2014 in the Board Room, St Clare, Penzance. It was AGREED that Cllr Mrs Blundy would represent the Council at that meeting.

The Town Clerk advised the Council that a request had been received from The Cornishman about the possibility of the Town Council nominating the Lafrowda Festival in the Community Event category of the Cornishman Community Awards. The Town Council AGREED to nominate the Lafrowda Festival.

(Action : Elaine Baker)

The Town Clerk advised the Council of a number of “drop-in” sessions that were being run by Cornwall Council to enable local residents and businesses to have a say on how future EU investment could be delivered by the Local Action Groups. It was AGREED that Cllr G Roberts would attend the session in Penzance on behalf of the Town Council and report back to the next meeting.

Councillor Mrs Blundy gave a brief update on the progress of the St Just & Pendeen Community Survey. Positive feedback had been received and 20 survey trays had been positioned at locations in St Just and Pendeen. Copies of the questionnaire would also be sent out with the next edition of Outreach.

Cllr Mrs Cock referred to the consultation being carried out by the Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust to identify new night landing sites. It was AGREED that this item would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Cllr Mrs Salmon reported that she had attended the opening of the exhibition by the St Just Mining Research Group and the St Euny Well bridleway.

Cllr G Roberts reported that the Euchre Night had raised £90.00 and thanked the Town Council for donating a raffle prize.

Cllr Mrs McQueen reported that there would be a Town Council stand on Lafrowda Day and she also reported on the poor condition of the men's public conveniences in St Just. The Town Clerk stated that she would contact Cornwall Council about the public toilets.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

Cllr Mrs James reported that occupancy of the new homes at Gews Farm would begin on 2 /3 July 2014 and that work on the pedestrian island was due to start in mid-June.

Meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.

Town Mayor