

MINUTES of the MEETING of ST JUST-IN-PENWITH TOWN COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, 1 Chapel Street, St Just on Monday 4 October 2010 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillor D Stevens - Mayor

COUNCILLORS

B F Angwin

W F East

K McFadden

N Mc Fadden

C S McClary

F Morris

M Nicholls

Mrs S Olds

TOWN CLERK

Elaine Baker

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Chris Goninan, Cornwall Council

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Morley Thomas and Councillor Mrs James who were representing the Town Council at a meeting arranged by Truro City Council to discuss the Localism agenda and the possible devolution of services.

TC.166 PUBLIC ADDRESS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

None received.

TC.167 MINUTES

RESOLVED:-That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 20 September 2010 be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Mayor.

TC.168 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Councillor N McFadden declared a personal interest in minute no.170/10 (Highways Issues) as a resident of South Place, St Just.

TC.169 COUNCILLOR REQUEST FOR ITEM TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA

**Lafrowda Club**

Councillor Ms Angove advised the Town Council that she had become involved in certain matters relating to the Lafrowda Club in Chapel Street, St Just and in particular issues relating to the Board of Trustees and lease with the Operatic Society.

The Town Council was informed that the original deeds to the building had been lost, and Councillor Angove commented that she was still awaiting additional information from Cornwall Council's Legal Services on this point, and that in view

of this she was not proposing that the Council take any further action at the present time. However she would be grateful for any assistance from Town Councillors in further investigations.

RESOLVED: That the position be noted.

TC.170 HIGHWAY ISSUES

Councillor N McFadden declared a personal interest in this item as a resident of South Place, St Just.

Councillor Goninan reported on the outcome of discussions with Andy James, Regional Engineer, Cornwall Council regarding a possible Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) at Carnyorth, South Place, Regent Terrace and Bosorne Road, St Just to enable yellow lining to be introduced along parts of the roads to alleviate the traffic congestion in these areas. Maps identifying the areas to be the subject of the proposed TRO were circulated at the meeting. The local Police had been consulted and were supportive of the proposals, although they had suggested that both sides of the road at Carnyorth should be yellow lined. It was also proposed that the yellowing lining in Bosorne Road should be staggered to enable emergency access to the football ground.

Councillor Goninan also reported that BIFFA, Cornwall Council's refuse collection contractor had experienced turning problems in the Bosorne Fields area of the town and he was discussing with South West Water about the possibility of some land in its ownership for additional off-street car parking to alleviate the problems if it was decided to proceed with a yellow box in that location.

In addition, double yellow lines were being proposed outside the flats opposite Rees Court to alleviate problems for Biffa. Additional car parking was available on the opposite side of the road.

Councillor Goninan also advised the Town Council that in view of the cost, it was not possible for a mini roundabout to be placed at the junction of the B3066 at Carn Bosavern. However following a recent traffic survey it was likely that a new speed limit of 40 mph would be introduced along the road from the junction to Kelynack and it was hoped that this would help alleviate some of the traffic problems.

To improve the visibility for cars entering the town from Penzance the only option would be to reduce the height of the hedge on the left hand side of the road and this was currently being discussed with the landowner.

The Town Council asked Councillor Goninan to find out how much it would cost to install a mini roundabout at the junction of the B3066 and it was agreed that a further meeting would be held between Cornwall Council and the Town Council on this issue.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council supports a Traffic Regulation Order to alleviate on street parking problems within St Just as outlined at the meeting.

TC.171 ST JUST PLAYING FIELD AND THE CLOSED CHURCHYARD

Councillor Goninan, in his capacity as Chairman of St Just-in-Bloom advised the Town Council of planned improvements at the playing field which would include the removal of the shelter and the installation of new picnic benches, seating, and planting and a new wildlife habitat area within the closed churchyard.

RESOLVED: The Town Council were supportive of the proposals as outlined but not for the demolition of the shelter located at the playing fields.

TC.172 CORNWALL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP – REFRESHED SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

The Town Council considered the content of the new draft Sustainable Community Strategy which had been produced by Cornwall Council and which set out a vision and objectives for Cornwall from 2010 – 2030. A questionnaire also accompanied the draft document with any responses to be submitted to Cornwall Council by 16 October 2010.

Following discussion of the issues it was:-

RESOLVED:- That the Town Council's response to the questionnaire be approved as set out below:-

- Question 2 ***To what extent do you agree with what we want to achieve: Cornwall will lead the country in sustainable living*** – Strongly agreed.
- Question 3 ***As a stakeholder in implementing the strategy, to what extent do you agree that you will set measurable objectives for:*** - Strongly agreed with all statements.
- Question 4 ***To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following two statements.***  
***More meaningful community participation*** – strongly agreed.  
***An enhanced role for the private and voluntary sectors*** – strongly agreed provided was supported by adequate funding provision.
- Question 5 ***Do you have any general comments on the long term objectives under the following heading***  
***Economy*** – More small suitable industrial development sites.  
***Self sufficient and resilient communities*** – More affordable housing for local people on the local housing register.  
***Good health and wellbeing for everyone*** – Deliver as many services as possible within the locality  
***Environment*** – Pressure to be put on South West Water to bring second treated sewage up to tertiary level.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.173 CHRISTMAS TREES

This item was deferred until the next meeting of the Council pending receipt of the quotations in respect of the Christmas Trees.

(Action by : N McFadden)

TC.174 FEAST

The Mayor reminded the Council that at its meeting on 22 March 2010 the Council had approved a recommendation of the Working Party that an approach be made to the local school Governors to determine if the local schools would be interested in coming forward with proposals to help celebrate Feast for which the Town Council could provide financial support.

The Town Council had allocated £1,500 within the Project Cost Centre for 2010 / 2011 to support Feast celebrations. Councillors will recall that a similar amount was allocated within last year's budget of which only £150 was spent.

Councillor Mrs Olds commented that she had raised the issue with the board of Governors at St Just Primary School but she had not received any feedback. Councillor Morris agreed to raise the issue at the next Governor's meeting at Cape Cornwall School.

Following discussion of the issues raised it was

**RESOLVED:** That the Town Clerk be asked to place an article in the next edition of the Cornishman to publicise the fund and that a notice be placed in the notice board inviting organisations / groups to apply for funding.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.175 FINANCE

(a) Application for Financial Assistance

None received.

(b) Accounts for Payment

**RESOLVED:** That the accounts to the value of £1,657.62 be approved for payment.

(c) Letters of Thanks

The Town Council was advised that a letter of thanks had been received from the Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust in respect of the £500 donation.

TC.178 PLANNING

(a) Applications

**PA10/05776** Construction of dormer windows at Lyndhurst, Penzance Road, Pendeen. Applicant Ms. C. Belsham. **T Cl no objection but would like to see the addition of a finial on the dormer window to match those on the existing building.**

**PA10/05509** Construction of extension with 2 dormers on south elevation and 3 rooflights on north elevation, replacement outbuilding and construction of stable block at Glenmoor, Tregeseal, St. Just. Applicant Mr. & Mrs. D. Cape. *This item was deferred for consideration until the next meeting of the Council on 18 October pending the receipt of the*

*Planning Officers comments.*

(b) Decisions

The Council noted the following decisions which had been received since the last meeting:-

**PA10/03842** Re-roofing, raising dwarf walls and installation of roof lights to existing conservatory at 3, Murray Villas, Carrallack Lane, St. Just. Applicant Mr. R. Harrison. No Application-Certificate of Lawfulness.

**PA10/03209** Change of use, conversion and extension of barn to self-contained living accommodation and installation of solar panels on roof at Little Carn Greaan, St. Just for Mr. Ben Weschke. **Grant of Conditional Planning Permission** (T. Cl. No Objection).

**PA10/03795** Construction of porch on north elevation at 15, Tregeseal, St. Just for Mr. & Mrs. Lackford. **Grant of Conditional Planning Permission.** (T. Cl. No Objection).

**PA10/336549** Felling of Macrocarpa tree at 12, Carn View Terrace, Pendeen for Mr. S. Trow. **Consent.** (T. Cl. Strong Objection).

**PA10/04269** Creation of hardstanding at Lyndhurst, Penzance Road, Pendeen for Mr. D. Belsham. **Refusal of Planning Permission.** (T. Cl. Objection on grounds of being out of keeping with local area, crossing the footpath and is adjacent to a free car park).

**PA10/04475** Demolition of rear porch and construction of conservatory at Lanherne, Botallack, St. Just for Miss M. Clarke. **Grant of Conditional Planning Permission.** (T. Cl. No Objection).

TC.179 INFORMATION ITEMS

(a) Sustainable Energy Community

The Town Council received a report on the public meeting held on 21 September 2010.

(b) Home Start – Kernow

The Council was advised that the Annual General Meeting of Home Start – Kernow would be held on 18 October 2010.

(c) Town Council Photograph

The Town Council noted that the annual photograph of the Town Mayor and Council would take place on 18 October prior to the commencement of the Council meeting.

TC.180 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED - that in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following matters on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the identified paragraphs of Part I, Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended).

TC.181 CITIZEN AND JUNIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD 2010 (Exempt Paragraph 2)

The Council considered nominations for the Citizen and Junior Citizen of the Year awards which would be formally announced at Feast Sunday on 31 October 2010.

Meeting closed at 8.06 p.m.

Town Mayor