

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 6 December 2010 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT

Cllr D Stevens - Mayor
Cllr M Thomas – Deputy Mayor

COUNCILLORS

Cllr Ms P S Angove	Cllr K McFadden
Cllr B F Angwin	Cllr N Mc Fadden
Cllr W F East	Cllr F Morris
Cllr Mrs S James	Cllr M Nicholls
Cllr C S McClary	Cllr Mrs S Olds

TOWN CLERK

Elaine Baker

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr Chris Goninan, Cornwall Council

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

TC.228 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Councillor Stevens declared a personal interest in planning application PA10/06447 at minute no TC. /10 (Planning) as the applicant was known to him.

TC.229 MINUTES

RESOLVED:-That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 22 November 2010 be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Mayor.

TC.230 PLANNING

(a) Applications

Councillor Stevens declared a personal interest in application no. PA10/06447 as the applicant was known to him.

PA10/07112 Construction of annexe extension and double garage at Inglenook Cottage, Levant Road, Trewellard, Pendeen. Applicant Mr. C. Buck. **(T. Cl. requested further clarification from the Planning Officer as to why the application had come before the Council and agreed to defer consideration until the appropriate application was received.)**

PA10/06447 Change of use, conversion and extension of office and workshop to form dwelling at Rosewell, Cot Valley, St. Just. Applicant Mr. Alec Maund. **(T. Cl. deferred consideration of the application pending comments from the Planning Officer following the site visit).**

(b) Decisions

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. **Approval (T. Cl. Support).**

TC.231 COUNCIL PRECEPT 2011 / 2012

The Mayor presented the detail of the proposed budget for the financial year 2011 / 2012 which had been previously circulated to all members of the Council, an amended version of which was tabled at the meeting for consideration by the full Council.

The Mayor reported that the £28,214 carried forward figure from the 2009/ 2010 budget included the £8,000 previously approved by the Town Council towards the provision of allotments and that it was proposed to allocate the remaining £20,214 towards General Reserve / Contingency which could be used to support additional non specified items / projects when the need arose.

Regarding St Just and Pendeen Feast celebrations, members of the Council felt that a letter should be sent to the local organisations / groups reminding them that financial assistance was available from the Town Council to support Feast events and in view of the poor take up in recent years it was agreed that the matter would be referred to a future meeting of the Tourism & Environment Committee to consider ways to raise the profile of Feast and the number of events held during the celebrations.

In respect of the three year financial assistance provided by the Town Council to Centre for Pendeen, Pendeen Parish Rooms, Nancherrow Centre, St Just Sports Centre and the Lafrowda Committee, the Mayor reported that financial provision had been made within the proposed budget for 2011 / 2012 but that these would be considered in detail by the Town Council in the next financial year. The Mayor also reported that the proposed budget included financial provision for the CCTV which was in need of upgrading and the Tourist Information Centre as its funding from Cornwall Council was to be withdrawn as part of the budget cuts.

Following detailed discussion of the proposed budget and cost centre allocations (copy appended to the signed minutes) the Council

RESOLVED :

- (a) To agree a total estimated expenditure for 2011 / 2012 of £96,720;
- (b) To agree an estimated balance on 31 March 2011 of £17,443;
- (c) To agree the amount to be met by precept for 2011 / 2012 of £79,277, and

- (d) That £20,214 of the carried forward figure from 2009 / 2010 is allocated to General Reserve / Contingency.

TC.232 STATEMENT FROM COUNCILLOR SUE JAMES TO ST JUST TOWN COUNCIL

Councillor James made the following statement to the Town Council in respect of the article which had appeared in the recent edition of the Cornishman regarding library closures:-

"I regret any concern caused to the colleagues on this Council by the piece in the Cornishman that suggested this Council is supporting the Liberal Democrat campaign to save libraries from closure in Cornwall. I wish to assure you that I neither implied nor stated that the campaign had any connection with the Council and did not claim to be leading the campaign as a town councillor.

I have made the reporter aware of the misleading information in the piece, mainly attributable to the headline and caption not written by her, and she is seeking permission from the editor to remedy matters. In drawing this to her attention I have made it plain that this Council has not discussed the possibility of library closures and therefore has no collective view to offer."

Meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

Town Mayor