

MINUTES of the TOWN MEETING of ST JUST-IN-PENWITH TOWN COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, 1 Chapel Street, St Just on Monday 25 July 2011 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillor M Thomas - Mayor  
Councillor Mrs S. James – Deputy Mayor

COUNCILLORS

Ms P S Angove	F Morris
B F Angwin	M Nicholls
C S McClary	Mrs S Olds
K McFadden	D Stevens

ASSISTANT TO TOWN CLERK

Shirley Darby

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Chris Goninan – Cornwall Councillor

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

TC.62 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 11 July 2011 be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

TC.63 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Councillor K McFadden declared a prejudicial interest in minute no. TC.67/11 as Pengarth Day Centre was a customer and agreed to withdraw from the meeting for consideration of the item.

TC.64 REPORT OF THE TOWN MAYOR, DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCILLORS

The Mayor reported that he had attended the Grand Opening of the Brambles Nursery & Children's Centre on 28 June and on 2 July paraded for Armed Forces Day with the Royal British Legion. On 9 July he had attended the West Cornwall Hospital Fete at St. Johns Hall. On 12 July, the Mayor met with St. Just in Bloom for their judging day. Paraded on Lafrowda Day (16 July), hosted the buffet in the Council Chamber and visited the Exhibition at the Women's Institute Hall for the Old Cornwall Society. On 18 July, together with the Deputy Mayor had attended the annual "walk round" of Penwith Housing Association (PHA) properties within St Just accompanied by Marcus Millington, which included discussion on the issue affordable housing.

The Deputy Mayor reported that she had attended a Board Meeting of the LEPCLT on 30 June, had met with Cornwall Council Highways at Trewellard on 5 July regarding the taking down of the finger post to enable its refurbishment. The Deputy Mayor had also presented the awards at the "Dreckly Come Dancing" event on 9 July. On 15 July, attended a meeting with Chris Goninan, Cornwall Council and St. Just Football Club regarding progress on the car parking provision for local residents. On 16 July the Deputy Mayor had participated in the Lafrowda Parade and on 18 July met with the Mayor and Marcus Millington of the PHA.

Councillor Stevens reported that he had attended his first meeting as the Town Council's representative to the West Penwith Community Bus Association.

TC.65 REPORT OF THE CORNWALL COUNCILLOR

Councillor Goninan reported on the following items:-

Highways

Residents of Truthwall had agreed a pedestrian refuge at Truthwall Lane with new signage and road markings entering from St Just. The work was planned to begin in September.

Carn Bosavern Farm

Attended a meeting with representatives of Cornwall Council and the Bosavern Farm Community Group on 8 July.

Patient Transport

The new national medical criteria had now been introduced for patients using ambulance transport. If a patient did not qualify then they were signposted to Transport Access People (TAP). Frequent users (those using the service in excess of three or more times a week) would have free transport from home to hospital. The same arrangements applied to patients at Derriford Hospital.

People using Derriford Hospital from St Just would lose their £20 maximum per journey and would now have to pay the full fee of the number of miles times 40p plus the miles the driver travels from home to the patient and back.

Advisors

A positive meeting had been held on 13 July which demonstrated the benefits of having someone locally to respond to elders' concerns. At the next meeting on 28 September the issue of training to become "befrienders" would be discussed.

West Cornwall Hospital Forum

The forum met on 8 July and discussed in some detail the manning of the Casualty Unit which at present was open from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. RCHT was currently advertising for new middle grade doctors. Referring to the article in the last edition of the Cornishman, responses were awaited from RCHT on why the doctor referred to in the article, and another, had not been considered suitable for appointment.

Housing Issues

The first meeting of Cornwall Councillors and PHA took place on 4 July. Meetings will be held every six months with Penwith & Kerrier councillors. A meeting for other councillors would be arranged for October.

St Just Carts

Attended a meeting with Volunteer Cornwall, who had expressed an interest in the project.

St Just in Bloom

Judging took place on Tuesday 12 July and our thanks to the Mayor who spent the morning with us. We also had nine 'It's Your Neighbourhood' awards judged. The results will be known on 15 September at the South West in Bloom presentation day which this year was to be held in Newquay. The garden competition was judged last Wednesday and our presentation evening will take place in late September

Penwith Radio

The Ofcom application had been made.

Day Care Centres

Attended a meeting on 8 July to discuss grant and other allocations for 2011/12 and future funding in respect of the Hayle and Pengarth Day Centres.

Assurances had been given by Cornwall Council's Adult Care & Support Service that St Just Age Concern would continue to receive its annual grant.

TC.66 CONSTITUTIONAL CUSTODIAN – LANDS END PENINSULA COMMUNITY LAND TRUST – (LEPCLT)

The Deputy Mayor reported that in order to register as a Charity, for which the LEPCLT had conditional approval at present, there was a need for three words ("and child care") to be removed from their current Articles of Association.

A further general meeting of the LEPCLT was to be held on 15 September 2011 to consider changing the Constitution, and as Constitutional Custodian, the Town Council was required to be represented at the meeting and to vote on the issue.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Ms Angove is appointed as the Town Council's representative with immediate effect.

TC.67 TRUSTEES OF PENGARTH DAY CENTRE

Councillor K McFadden declared a prejudicial Interest in this item as the Day Centre was a customer, and withdrew from the meeting for consideration of the item.

An invitation had been received from the Trustees of Pengarth Day Centre for a member of the Town Council to become a member of the Trustee Board.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Angove is appointed as the Town Council's representative with immediate effect.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

TC.68 QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE BEACONS

The Town Council was informed that it had been invited to participate in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons event to be held on 4 June, 2012. The aim of the event was to light 2012 beacons throughout the United Kingdom to mark the Queen's reign.

The Town Council expressed its interest in participating in the event but felt that a meeting with representatives of the Old Cornwall Society and the National Trust would be beneficial before progressing with this item.

(Action by: Elaine Baker)

TC.69 (a) Financial Assistance

The Town Council considered a report by the Town Clerk regarding a request for financial assistance from the Pendeen Gig Club towards the purchase of a new gig boat.

RESOLVED: That a financial contribution of £1,00.00 be awarded to the Pendeen Gig Club.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

(b) Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED: That the accounts to the value of £2,974.73 be approved for payment.

(c) Letters of Thanks

The Town Council was advised that a letter of thanks had been received from Pendeen School, St. Just Bolitho Club, Amanda Olds of 1<sup>st</sup> St. Just Guides and Councillor Rose Smith of Sancreed Parish Council.

TC.70 PLANNING

(a) **PA11/04486** Construction of single storey extension, conversion of attic to bedroom and garage to additional living accommodation at Brook Cottage, Cot Valley, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. M. Gear. **(T. Cl. No Objection)**

**PA11/04549** Replacement of windows and doors at 28A Boscaswell Village, Lower Boscaswell, Pendeen. Applicant: Mr. O'Loughlin. **(T. Cl. Had this been a necessary application, the Council would have had No Objection but as this fell under Permitted Development the Town Council felt that if any fee have been paid for this application, it should be refunded).**

**PA11/05405** Demolition of existing extension and W.C. and construction of single storey extension at 10, Boswedden Road, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. R. Gowan. **(T. Cl. No Objection)**

(b) Decisions

**PA11/03450** Erection of porch to the front elevation, installation of solar panels on the east and west roof space and conversion of garden shed to artist's studio at 1, West Place, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. D. Shutt. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

**PA11/03195** Construction of extensions and alterations to incorporate annexed accommodation at 1, New Road, Tregeseal, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. P. Fildan. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

**PA11/03849** Construction of single storey extension at Peace and Plenty, Sennen. Applicant: Miss S Stanton-Nadin. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

**PA11/04467** Erection of extension and side annexe at Boslowen, Pendeen. Applicant: Ms. M. Hoole-Jackson. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

(c) Enforcements

**EN11/01539** Alleged unauthorised change of use of land to a car parking area at 25, Carn Bosavern, St. Just.

TC.71 INFORMATION ITEMS

CAPE CORNWALL COASTWATCH

The Cape Cornwall Coastwatch Station was holding an Open Day on Sunday, 14 August, 2011 from 11.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. to which all Town Councillors were invited.

FEAST / MAYOR'S SUNDAY

The Mayor asked the Town Council for its views as to which occasion it preferred for the presentation of the Citizens' of the Year Awards. Following consideration of the issue the Town Councillors stated that they preferred the awards to continue to be presented at Feast Sunday.

Regarding Mayor's Sunday, it was agreed that the idea of inviting two representatives from local organisations to attend a semi-formal reception was a good idea, and that it should be held at the end of September or in November but not too close to Feast or Christmas. The venue for this was left undecided.

TC.72 MATTERS FOR REPORT

Councillor Angwin enquired as to the progress of the Kenidjack Allotments and it was decided there would be an update by Councillor Stevens at the next Council meeting in September.

Councillor Morris reported that he had been asked to become a Trustee of the Bolitho Club which he had accepted and therefore had resigned as a Governor of Cape Cornwall School.

Councillor Nicholls reported that Matt Myers had offered to move the public seat from outside of Lilian's Fish and Chip Shop to the Car Park. Councillor Morris volunteered his help with this.

Councillor Stevens reported that he had attended a de-brief meeting with Inspector Jean Phillips regarding Lafrowda Day and that there had been positive feedback on the day from both sides.

TC.73 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED – that under Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, it is proposed that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the business specified in the following item(s)

TC.74 TOWN CLERK

The Deputy Mayor reported that she had carried out The Town Clerk's Annual Appraisal and advised that Town Council that some issues needed to be raised with Staffing and Premises Committee at its next meeting.

TC.75 TOWN COUNCIL SIGN

The Town Mayor reported that a quotation had now been received from Tecmet Engineering.

The Mayor stated that he was willing to use £500 of his Mayor's Allowance for the installation of a new sign on the Council building, which together with the grant of £400 from Cornwall Council meant that £900 was available to fund the project. The Mayor sought the Town Council's views.

The general consensus was that it was inappropriate expenditure at this time and maybe a compromise could be made with a small sign placed at the front of the building or maybe lettering painted on the windows.

It was requested that the item be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

(Action by : Elaine Baker)

Meeting closed at 8.22 p.m.

Town Mayor