

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 5 February 2018 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT

Cllr Brian Clemens - Town Mayor
Cllr Marna Blundy – Deputy Town Mayor

COUNCILLORS

Zoe Baxter
Sue James
Jonathan Manser
Constance Moore
Farmer Morris

Louise Paine
Grenville Prowse
Geoff Roberts
Debbie Shephard
Bev Strick

LOCUM TOWN CLERK

Cas Leo

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Pip Morse + 12 others
Tony Wood – Planning Application No. PA17/11107 PA17/11112 Registered to speak.

TC.216 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

TC.217 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were one declaration of interest - Cllr Brian Clemens relative to a contractor.

TC.218 DISPENSATIONS

There were no dispensations granted.

TC.219 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 22 January 2018 be approved as an accurate record with the amendment below and signed by the Town Mayor.

TC.220 MATTERS ARISING

There were one matter arising from the previous minutes 22 January 2018. The words “on the terms outlined” were asked to be added to TC.209 for clarification.

TC.221 Presentation

Presentation Ms. Allie Scott, Plastic Free.

Consideration of what is needed to support Plastic Free Coastlines. Allie Scott explained the type of behaviour needed and the commitment to plastic free initiatives. The Council must lead by example to remove single use plastic items from the premises, support Plastic Free Coastlines events and have a councillor representative on the Plastic Free Coastlines Steering Group. Councillor Debbie Shephard volunteered to be the link person. Town Council fully supported the Plastic Free Initiative.

RESOLVED: The Town Council passed the resolution to commit to the Plastic Free Coastlines Initiative and for Councillor Debbie Shephard to be a member of the Steering Group

TC. 222 Presentation

Presentation Mr. Pip Morse Footpaths. Consideration of what is needed to support work on public footpaths.

Mr Morse provided copies of his hand outs. While some paths are in good shape many others are close to impassable often with very mature growth. Much of the furniture is in a poor state of repair like the steps and poles. The proposal for discussion was for rolling Winter Deep Cuts every three winters for Gold paths and once every four for others. If there was better coordination with local large landowners like the National Trust, this could save money. Councillor Sue James suggested that Mr Morse think about providing a map to highlight the areas needing attention and then liaising with Penwith Landscape Partnership.

TC.223 FINANCE

(a) Financial Assistance.

None

(b) Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED: That the accounts to the value of £6,008.02 be approved for payment.

(Action by: Cas Leo)

(c) Letters of Thanks

CRUSE Bereavement Care in Cornwall for £400 Grant from the previous meeting.

TC.224 PLANNING

Cllr Mrs James made the following statement: -

"As both a Cornwall Councillor and Town Councillor for the St Just-in-Penwith Electoral Division, I wish to make it clear that any views and opinions expressed today will not affect

my decision making at a later stage of the planning process when I might have additional information and be in a different role."

Pre-Application Pre- Application Discussion - Martin Nicholas (Raptor Scaffold Designs) brought in one his birds (a Falcon) to illustrate the use of a facility he was hoping to develop at Bosavern. Councillors asked some questions about the design, footpaths, height of buildings and purpose of the project. Several Councillors indicated support for the facility.

(a) **Applications**

PA17/11642

Application to replace roof on Barn "B" at Carrallack Farm, Carrallack Lane, St. Just. Applicant: Mrs. Susan Pentreath. **(T. Cl. No Objection).**

PA18/00306

Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an existing use of a building and land as a dwellinghouse and its cartilage at Poets Corner, Truthwall Lane, Truthwall, St. Just. Applicants: Mr. and Mrs. G.J. Forrester. **(T. Cl. No Comment).**

PA18/00402

Proposed replacement doors, windows and roof covering plus dormer window to rear elevation at 4, Bethany Place, St. Just. Applicant: Ms. T. Hart. **(T. Cl. No Objection).**

PA18/00513

Restoration of store/workshop in rear garden at 6, Lafrowda Terrace, St. Just Applicant: Mr. Roger Davison. **(T. Cl. No Objection).**

PA18/00531

Proposed redesign of lean-to porch – Planning Approval PA17/02055 at Tor Barn, Higher Bojewyan, Pendeen. Applicants: Mr. and Mrs. D. Adams. **(T. Cl. No Objection).**

PA18/00076

Conversion of existing garage to self-contained annex with holiday let restriction (holiday let use only) and upgrading and extension of existing cottage at New Cottage, Boswedden, St. Just. Applicants: Mr. D. Woodcock and Ms. M. Meehan. **(T. Cl. No Objection).**

PA17/11107

Construction of a single detached dwelling on Plot 1, land adjacent to 21, Falmouth Place, Carnyorth, St. Just. Applicants: Mr. and Mrs. N. Wason. **(T. Cl. Support).**

PA17/11112

Reserved matters application (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) following Outline Approval PA16/11355 dated 26/01/2017 and Withdrawn Application PA17/07131 dated 28/09/2017 for the construction of single detached dwelling on Plot 2, Falmouth Place, St. Just. Applicant: Mr.

Karl Callighan. **(T. Cl. Support)**.

PA18/00057

Retrospective Consent for the change of use from double garage to a one-bedroom holiday let at Chase End House, Truthwall Lane, Truthwall, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. Adam Miller. **(T. Cl. No Objection)**.

PA18/00393

Change of use and refurbishment of disused two storey stone building to create a dwelling at former Botallack Cricket Club, Truthwall, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. Morgan. Francis. **(T. Cl. Support)**. Councillor Farmer Morris Objective and asked for this to be recorded in the minutes.

(b) **Decisions**

PA17/10484

Outline Planning Permission with all matters reserved: Construction of a single storey dwelling on land and buildings west of Carnyorth Environmental Education Centre, Carnyorth, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. Farmer Morris. **Withdrawn** (T. Cl. Support).

PA17/10640

Demolition of existing single storey barns and construction of single storey residential unit at Bosavern Farm, Bosavern, St. Just. Applicant: Mr. Stephen Revill. **Withdrawn** (T. Cl. Building too contemporary to fit in with the other traditional buildings at Bosavern).

PA17/11098

Various tree works at Cuckoos Cottage, Road from Cot Manor to Kelynock Farm, Cot Valley, St. Just. Applicants: Mr. and Mrs. Forsyth. **Approval** (T. Cl. Agreed with Tree Officer's recommendation).

PA17/11236

Single storey front extension replacing porch. Install window in ground floor gable wall at 8, Levant Close, Trewellard, Pendeen. Applicants: Mr. and Mrs. M. Johnson. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

PA17/09607

Change of use of land to holiday letting including a new vehicle access and siting of mobile holiday let shepherds hut on land west of Higher Little Waters, Tregeseal, St. Just. Applicant: Mrs. Rachel Baker. **Withdrawn** (T. Cl. Support).

PA17/11332

Erection of new pvcu lean-to conservatory to front at 10, Tregeseal Terrace, Road from New Road to Bosvargus Hill, Tregeseal, St. Just. Applicant: Mrs. Nicholls. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

PA17/11413

Application for demolition of garage and for erection of wood framed cabin e to be used as a study at 6, Levant Road, Trewellard, Pendeen. Applicant: Mrs.

Linda Walker-Hall **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

(c) Appeals

None

TC.225 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Councillor Marna Blundy updated the Council on the current position of the Neighbourhood Planning process. In advance of this meeting, a full update on Neighbourhood Planning was sent by email along with a summary of the key points and the notes of the Community Engagement Task Group meeting on 31st January.

Recorded Notes from the meeting at Pendeen Parish Hall on Wednesday, 17th January 2018 previously circulated were noted.

(Action by: Cas Leo)

TC.226 Library

Town Council discussed the latest offer from Cornwall Council circulated previously by email. Cornwall Council will now be reviewing the Library plans and options available. They will provide a revised option based on a modern working layout together with costs. The design will need to address all compliance and backlog and the internal decoration within the £100k budget. If they can achieve this, they will then arrange to the present revised proposal. They hope to get the plans completed by the 16th February and we will update ASAP of the outcome after that day. The Mayor said the Friends of St Just Library would be welcome to attend but expressed the view the date may slip. The Mayor mentioned the Clerk had been asked to send photographs of the current office furniture to Cornwall Council which he has done.

The Mayor then referred to a Library email dated 29 January 2018 from Councillor Zoe Baxter in which a comment was attributed to the Mayor that the £100,000 which had been agreed for TC if we moved out of current TC building into the library had been withdrawn?

The Mayor said that he had never said this. He also commented that if the Councillor wanted clarity why didn't she go to him instead of the clerk and three separate councillors. He said in his role as Mayor and being a business man in the town, his reputation was damaged by these comments. He would expect a full written apology within the week to himself copied to Councillors or consider legal action. Councillor Zoe Baxter said she was only seeking clarification of what he said.

The Mayor then raised the issue that it had been reported to him that Councillor Zoe Baxter had been seen using her mobile phone at the previous meeting, although he himself had not seen it. The Councillor denied that she had been playing with her phone. The Clerk then asked to move on to the next item of business.

TC.227 Request to Join Audit Committee

Geoff Roberts has requested to join the Audit Committee although he is away for 9 February 2018 Meeting.

RESOLVED: The Town Council passed the resolution to allow Councillor Farmer Morris to stand down from being a member of the Internal Audit Committee

RESOLVED: The Town Council passed the resolution to allow Councillor Geoff Roberts to be a member of the Internal Audit Committee.

(Action by: Cas Leo)

TC.228 INFORMATION ITEMS AND MATTERS FOR REPORT

The Clerk confirmed that a total of £4,600 remains in Grants until 31 March 2018.

Mayor raised the matter of St Just Church vandalism and stated it was not a local person.

The Mayor discussed a letter that had been received from Andrew Burt of St. Just Parochial Church Council regarding funding required for work needed to the Church Graveyard and Higher Bosavern Graveyard. The Council said that it was keen to know what other sources of funding he had planned to approach but also asked the Clerk to send Mr. Burt a grant application form to complete with full details and return for a future meeting. Councillor James thought that the War Grave Commission may be connected in some way to Higher Bosavern Graveyard and could be one source of funding.

The Clerk mentioned that a 1-day cemetery training course in Truro was being advertised but on checking it was not focused on closed cemeteries, so was not suitable to attend.

The Coastline Letter read out at the previous meeting and then circulated to all councillors following that meeting wanting to identify sites for housing was again discussed. It was decided at this stage the council should point out to them they are currently going through a Neighbourhood Plan process. It was also mentioned that there is no specific target for housing needs.

CCTV - Council is considering taking advantage of joining the Tolvaddon CCTV monitoring system, but would like to arrange a visit to see a demonstration of the monitoring. The Clerk has discussed the visit with Traci Parker, Business Development Manager, Cornwall Fire Rescue. Councillors would like to visit on a Wednesday evening in March. The clerk will approach Traci Parker to arrange this visit.

Matters for Report

A.3071 Report circulated. The Mayor is trying to arrange a meeting for Tuesday 27 February 2018 to discuss policing matters/traffic issue. To date, the Inspector has agreed to attend but we are awaiting others to confirm.

Interim Audit Report has been received and will be put before the Audit Committee in February 2018.

Friends of St Just Library requested clarification of the Library situation which was previously dealt with at TC.220.

Cornwall Council Car Parking Order proposals were circulated previously.

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) CALC training will be available April/May 2018.

Cornwall Council has received/accepted the Precept Request.

Constance Moore attended the St. Just and Huelgoat Twinning Committee Meeting and was invited to attend the trip to France in May 2018.

Bev Strick said that the accounts for the Centre of Pendeen were good and she had attended Geevor Church Service.

Jonathan Manser said he had the letter forwarded by the Clerk reference an outside Basket Ball request from residents. Sue James suggested it be sent on to Mr Wallace at Cornwall Council (the landowners) given the permissions needed and costs of £8K involved.

Grenville Prowse said the Sports Hall were following their Development Plan e.g. use of scaffolding, lights being replaced, over the next year.

Marna Blundy had also attended the Geevor event at the Pendeen Church a historical record of mining in the district. She also attended The Future of NHS Event at St John Hall (lack of funding in NHS).

The Mayor mentioned he will be attending the Cornwall Council Planning Committee in Penzance on Monday, 12th February, 2018 for two planning cases where he can only restate the Town Council's official position.

The Mayor reported that Pendeen Band has been successfully fundraising nearly £700.00 through events like a breakfast and raffle, to send players up to an event in Torquay.

The Mayor had needed to replace the bulb in the defibrillator. A discussion then took place resulting in establishing which residents would be interested in training on the apparatus, although it is designed to be used following instructions within the device. Marna Blundy will design a poster to establish interest.

The Mayor had attended:

4 February Feast of St Ives with 5 other Mayors.

The Mayor walked with the contractor and Chris Goninan of St Just in Bloom to look at what could be done on grass growing on certain lengths of the road in St. Just. The suggestion was that the Clerk ask St Just in Bloom to mark on a map the areas and measure the metres needing attention. Once these areas and lengths are known, to then ask James Hardy about top up payments for those areas along with T.Cs own contractor for comparison.

TC.202 Exclusion of the Press and Public

If necessary, to consider passing the following resolution:

"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).”

Meeting Closed at 9.26 p.m.

Town Mayor