

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING OF ST JUST-IN-PENWITH TOWN COUNCIL
held on Line, Zoom on Monday 26 October 2020 at 7.15pm

**THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND POLICE AND CRIME PANELS
(CORONAVIRUS) (FLEXIBILITY OF LOCAL AUTHORITY AND POLICE AND
CRIME PANEL MEETINGS) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2020 No.
392**

Present

Marna Blundy Town Mayor
Sue James Deputy Mayor

Councillors

Farmer Morris Debbie Shephard
Daisy Gibbs
Zoe Baxter Grenville Prowse
Constance Moore Louise Paine

TC.52 Public Address at Council Meetings

Fiona Wooton speaking on Application PA20/08473. Jess Morris in attendance

TC.53 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received on behalf of Brian Clemens Jonathan Manser and Chris Denley.

TC.54 Declarations of Interest

Farmer Morris
Application PA20/07712.

TC.55 Dispensations

None.

TC.56 Minutes

RESOLVED: That, the Town Mayor signs as a true and accurate record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 12 October 2020.

TC.57 Matters Arising

Debbie Shephard (Neighbourhood Planning) mentioned anyone wanting to have their comments recorded needed to submit them in writing.

TC.58 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED: To approve the accounts **£3,197.37** and **N Plan £2,047.30** for payment as set out on the attached schedule.

(b) Financial Assistance

In July 2019 St Just Town Council pledged £2,000 per year for 3 years financial support for the Pendeen Community Cemetery Project with the first payment made on 02/09/19. The second payment for this year is now due. The Council are now asked to approve the next payment. Sue James mentioned that the Centre of Pendeen are now acting in the role of a charity supporting them with a banking facility.

RESOLVED: To approve this and next payment in 2021.

- (c) To approval of the current list of Direct Debits (circulated by email before the meeting).
- (d) To approval of the current Local Purchase Order for a single payment over £5K the Council has only one for Footpaths Contractor.
- (e) To approve the Financial Regulations, Risk Assessment Arrangements recommended by the Audit Committee.
- (f) Quarter Two Report July – September 2020 (Noted).
- (g) CIL funds received, £2661.25 4 November 2019 and £1740.00 5 May 20 (Noted). Discussion on possible uses and potential projects such as Youth Projects e.g. Nancherrow or the Skate Park and Bus Stop near Gews Farm were discussed. The Clerk would speak to the CLO to arrange a site meeting to look at the possibilities
- (h) Having reviewed Standing Orders, to approve them for use.

RESOLVED: To approve (c) to (e) and (h) above.

TC.59 Planning

Sue James read the following statement:

As both a Cornwall Councillor and Town Councillor for the St Just-in-Penwith Division, I wish to make 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 different information and be in a different role.

a) **Applications**

1. **Application** PA20/08314
Proposal Replacement bay windows
Location 6A Cape Cornwall Street, St. Just. **No Objection**
2. **Application** PA20/07638
Proposal Replacement of roof and rotten windows, erect building signage, general internal alterations and change of use of a small part of the building (20 square metres) from office kitchen to take-away.
Location Bank House Bank Square St Just **No Objection**

3. **Application** PA20/08268
Proposal Changes to prior approved Planning (PA12/11270). Alterations and extension of existing Water Tower to be used as a residential unit.
Location Cape Cornwall Golf and Country Club, St. Just.

Deferment on the decision until the reports/comments are in from AONB/WHS.

4. **Application** PA20/08256
Proposal Modification of Condition 2 of 02/P/0235 to permit use of site for caravan and camping between 1 April & 31 October with variation of Condition 1 in relation to Decision Notice W1/09-0855

Location Trevedra Caravan and Camping Site Sennen **Support**

5. **Application** PA20/08550
Proposal Proposed conversion of single storey barn to dwelling and single storey extension.

Location Barn, Nanpean Farm, Cape Cornwall, St. Just. **No Objection**

6. **Application** PA20/08473
Proposal Proposed erection of an agricultural building and polytunnel.
Location Gwennel Farm, Tregeseal, St. Just.

Deferment until Land Agent, AONB and WHS comments are received, and Applicant's investigations about the culvert are fully addressed.

7. **Application** PA20/08601
Proposal Single storey entrance lobby/cloaks extension with roof terrace over.

Location The Old Barn, Lower Bostraze, Newbridge

Objection – on the use of materials planned to be use in this application and thus make it look out of character. The plans should retain the granite appearance on where it can be seen.

8. **Application** PA20/07712
Proposal Construction of domestic garage

Location Old Miners Dry Trewellard, Pendeen **No Objection**

9. **Application** PA20/08498
Proposal Single storey rear extension and solar panels to the south east elevation.

Location Chy Men 2 Lafrowda Terrace St Just **No Objection**

b) **Decisions**

Application: PA20/06096.

Proposal Replacement rear single storey extension and replacement of garage.

Location: 7, Carn Bosavern Close, St. Just. **Approval** (T. Cl. No Objection).

- c) **Appeals** *None*
- d) **Appeal Decisions** *None*
- e) The draft Letter to the local MP on Government Planning Changes was agreed with one minor amendment.
RESOLVED: To approve the letter to be sent to the MP.
- f) The Council were required to make a Protocol decision on PA20/03290 Goldings Barn, St. Just. This agricultural barn with its complimentary extension will make it look like an agricultural building and will enhance the barn. The Application was considered again by the Town Council.

The Council considered that it would:

- blend into the landscape, with a significant tree planting plan.
- The barn is too small and not viable as a dwelling without an extension.
- Council supports sustainable and energy efficient building in the parish.
- Both CC and the TC have declared a Climate Emergency. The Council is promoting sustainable and energy efficient buildings.

RESOLVED: To support the application and select Choice 3 given by the Planning Officer.

TC.60 Neighbourhood Plan (NP)

The Neighbourhood Planning Team are meeting next week. They are helping in answering any questions residents are coming back with on the Draft Plan.

TC.61 Library

St Just Library is providing the public with a restricted Foyer Service. On the property side, the issue of a second broken window was referred to the Property Committee meeting next week. The staff are also monitoring the pad to open the main door which was not functioning but is again now.

TC.62 Coronavirus Report

The Clerk is continuing to send emails from the various bodies such as CALC and Cornwall Council to Councillors on advice the Town Council should take. New Government Guidance changes week on week and is sent on to Councillors. The Clerk mentioned he had just received the latest and would be forwarding once he read through it and its many attachments.

TC.63 Edward Hain Hospital Consultation draft letter.

The item was brought forward from the last meeting. A draft was presented to Town Council for approval before Clerk signs on behalf of the Town Council and sends off.

RESOLVED: The draft letter was agreed and the Clerk would send letter off.

TC.64 Cornwall Council Dog Fouling posters.

Cornwall Council is inviting Town and Parish Councils in Cornwall to apply to receive five “We’re Watching You” (there is a cost for the posters, but it is a reduced cost) glow in the dark signs to help tackle dog fouling in a notorious site within your community this autumn. The Council needs to have a Community Ambassador who can be either paid or a volunteer. Preferably, the Community Ambassador should not be directly associated with the Council. The strict deadline for application submissions is 17.00pm on Friday 6th November 2020. Two names were suggested and the Mayor and Deputy Mayor would approach them and if agreed give their details to the Clerk. Louise Paine offered to take on the role if no volunteer could be found.

RESOLVED: The Clerk would use the information to submit an application to Cornwall Council.

TC.65 Mayor’s Report

Arrangements for Annual Award presentations

I’m pleased to say that I’ve made arrangements with all the award winners, and presentations will be made to Riley Rivett at Pendeen Primary School in front of his class; to Archie Prout at Cape Cornwall School in front of his year group; to Daisy and Jo from the Daisy Chain at Botallack, together with certificates they will deliver to all 88 community wardens in the scheme; and to Mo O’Brien at Cape Cornwall Surgery with all her colleagues in attendance.

Mayors of Cornwall meeting 15th October

1. Policing

This gave a chance to discuss policing with Jim Pearce, the Temporary Assistant Chief Constable for Devon and Cornwall, as well as Police Commander for Cornwall: I asked about the lack of police response to 101 calls from our area, and we discussed community concerns - the lack of confidence that the police will respond, plus the growing confidence of offenders that they won’t be caught. I would value input from Councillors about how we can progress this.

2. Brittany Ferries

There is concern about the long-term future of Brittany Ferries and the impact that its loss would have on Cornwall. Councils are encouraged to write to their MP, and we were given a suggested draft letter, if this is something Council would wish to do.

RESOLVED: The draft letter was agreed and the Clerk would send letter off.

Road Safety at Boscaswell Stores

I attended a site meeting with the Head of Pendeen Primary School, the Nursery Manager, parent representatives, the Manager of Boscaswell Stores, Andy from Highways, and Sue as Cornwall Councillor, following a recent accident involving a pupil, and ongoing concerns about safety at the junction. It was frustrating that every suggestion - whether double yellow lines, deliveries at the side, a zebra crossing, a speed reduction to 20mph, or speed humps - seemed to be ruled out by Highways, and even a crossing patrol volunteer, who could only help twice a day, seemed problematic. I think it’s fair to say that most of those present were keen to see some safety measures put in place, and concerned that without action there could be a more serious accident. When you look at the location, a five-way junction, combined with a busy shop, a car park and a bus stop, seems a perfect storm to me. I would welcome Councillors’ thoughts on what might work.

Lafrowda Club

I was invited, along with Farmer Morris and Chris Denley, to take a look inside the Lafrowda Club on Saturday. There are hopes to identify this as a building at risk, and enquiries continue about the Trusteeship of the Club.

TC.66 Committee Reports

TC.67 Correspondence

The Clerk took a phone call from the Western Hunt who said they would not be meeting in St Just this Feast.

Pendeen Community Cemetery correspondence (email) shared before the meeting was discussed.

The Council received confirmation that the Devolution Meeting with Cornwall Council is on 5 November, 2020.

TC.68 Information Items and Matters to Report

Grenville Prowse raised the issue of an area of land near the primary school which had previously been looked after by St Just in Bloom.

Discussion on a photograph of the Old Council Offices Barclays Bank was discussed and if it could be identified be given to the new owners.

Permission was also given to produce leaflets for the Daisy Chain by the Council.

TC.69. 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).

TC.70 Asset Register

Deferred to next meeting

The meeting closed at 9.28pm.