

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON FRIDAY 2 JANUARY 2009

Present: Cllr P La Broy - Mayor

Cllrs J Blatchford, J Bryson, L Deely, L Emo, E Greenwold, K Harris, L Moores,

P Moores, F Partridge, H Partridge, H Phillips, L Sharratt

Mrs C Kett – Town Clerk

C/001/09

To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllrs P Dolphin, W B Garvie, T Macey, N Tucker

C/002/09

To receive Members Declarations of Interests

Cllr F Partridge, as the owner of land adjoining the site, declared a personal and prejudicial interest in C/010/09

Cllr H Partridge, as the owner of land adjoining the site, declared a personal and prejudicial interest in C/010/09

C/003/09

Minutes

(i) **To receive, confirm and sign the minutes of the Council meeting held on 4 December 2008**

Resolved: That the minutes are a true and accurate record and should be signed by the Mayor

Cllr P Moores requested that his abstention be noted

(ii) **Report by Town Clerk on matters arising from the above minutes**

None

C/004/09

To receive & consider reports and minutes of the following committee meetings and adoption of any recommendations contained therein:

(i) **Planning Committee 18 December 2008** *excluding recommendation contained in PL/151/08 re application 2008/02281 which is item number C/010/09 on this agenda*

Resolved: That the report and minutes be adopted by the Council

(ii) **FS&GP Committee 18 December 2008**

Resolved: That the report and minutes be adopted by the Council

C/005/09

Mayors Announcements/Remarks

None

C/006/09

(a) **Correspondence Received: for information**

unless stated otherwise all letters copied to all cllrs

(i) Bude Christian Fellowship: letter of thanks for the grant to the community street nativity project. Noted

(ii) CCC: temporary prohibition of traffic Helebridge Road to Buttsbear Cross 2 February 2009. Noted

(iii) CCC: press release re Arts Council England grant for community activity 'FEAST'.

Noted

(iv) NCDC: call for potential housing sites. Noted

(v) Lions Club of Bude: notification of disbanding and arrangement re the upkeep of the wishing well situated in The Triangle

Resolved: That permission be granted for the Rotary Club to take over the upkeep of the wishing well

(vi) CCC: temporary prohibition of traffic footpath along the north side of Bude Canal between Helebridge and Foundry Cottage 1 January 2009 for one month. Noted

The Mayor stated that since drawing up the agenda two letters had been received from members of the public regarding the Binhamy Farm planning application. These would be brought to the attention of the Council during that agenda item

(b) **Correspondence Received: action required**

- (i) St Petros School: request for permission to hold the annual inter-school cross country event on Summerleaze Downs 6 February 2009
Resolved: That permission be granted
- (ii) Post Box Poughill: closure of
Town Clerk reported that Cllr V Newman (NCDC) had been approached by several local residents expressing their concerns at the sealing closed of the post box in the centre of the village.
Resolved: That a letter of objection to the sealing of the post box be sent to the Post Office copied to Dan Rogerson MP with a suggestion that if a location for the box was the problem then BSTC land be used for the siting of a post box

C/007/09

Maximum 15 minutes for electors present to put questions or make observations concerning the business of the Council

Resolved: That Standing Orders be suspended

Observations included:

- Various comments were made about the Binhamy Farm planning application

Resolved: That Standing Orders be resumed

C/008/09

Opportunity for CCC cllrs present to discuss CCC issues relevant to BSTC

None were present

C/009/09

Opportunity for NCDC cllrs present to discuss any NCDC issues relevant to BSTC

None were present

Cllr F Partridge and H Partridge left the room as per their previously declared personal and prejudicial interests

C/010/09

2008/02281 – Outline planning permission, delegated by officers, for mixed use development comprising housing (including affordable housing), employment, retirement village, extra care facility, retail, land for new community building, public open space and landscaping on land at Binhamy Farm, Stratton Road, Bude for Catesby Property Group:

Recommendation from Planning Committee meeting: That Council considers

- the possibility of holding an extraordinary meeting to allow the further discussion of this proposed development
- requesting a site visit/ public meeting with North Cornwall District Council

These recommendations arise from the following issues

- the development is on a green field site when Bude has brown field sites which remain unused
- the development is on a site of historic interest
- a high percentage increase in housing and the population
- concern regarding the possible increased risk of flooding due to 400 new houses
- the sustainability and viability of the current town centre
- more information is needed about the creation of 500 new jobs
- whether the current economic climate would affect the sale of these new homes
- lack of infrastructure – sewerage, water, electricity (current sewerage is non UV treated)
- lack of local services – transport, education and health
- adequacy of highway network

Discussion followed which included detailed discussion regarding the points raised by the Planning Committee

Resolved: That due to the level of local concern the Town Council request NCDC to hold a site meeting/public meeting as the following concerns have been raised:

- the development is on a green field site when Bude has brown field sites which remain unused
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Cllr F Partridge and H Partridge were invited back into the room

C/011/09

Leases: consideration and sealing of the leases for:

- (i) **Pitch and Putt facility: North Cornwall Cricket Club – 5 years**
Resolved: That the lease is sealed once the solicitors advise that it is appropriate to do so
- (ii) **Cricket Pitch and Pavilion: North Cornwall Cricket Club – 30 years**
Resolved: That the lease is sealed once the solicitors advise that it is appropriate to do so

C/012/09

Report by cllrs on meetings attended as BSTC delegated representatives together with consideration of any action required as a result of their attendance:

- (i) Parish & Town Council engagement event and electoral review consultation held at NCDC office, Camelford on 11 December 2008
Resolved: That a letter of objection be sent to the Implementation Committee regarding the proposed location of the One Stop Shop in Bude

C/013/09

Financial Report:

- (i) **Schedule of payments already made 19 December 2008 – 2 January 2009 (V925)**
Resolved: That all payments to be made (V925: £382.43) be approved
- (ii) **Schedule of payments to be made 19 December 2008 – 2 January 2009 (V926 – V952 inc)**
Resolved: That all payments to be made (V926 – V952 inc: £23,861.88) be approved

C/014/09

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 S1(2) & S1(6) –

Resolved:

“That in relation to the following item publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted and the press and public are instructed to withdraw”. The following item is confidential and the meeting will proceed ‘in committee’

The following minutes are currently confidential and are only available to councillors

Signed:Date:.....