

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 7th January 2016

Present: Cllr L Deely - Mayor - Cllrs: L Bartrop, A Biggs, J Bryson, P Curtis, B Dixon, J Heard, I Hemmings, P Kelly, P Moores, F Partridge, H Partridge, P Tilzey, N Tucker and B Willingham

Miss Donna James – Town Clerk
CC Cllrs P Dolphin and N Pearce

C/256/16 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllrs: P Kelly and CC Cllr D Parsons

C/257/16 To receive declarations of registered and non-registered disclosable pecuniary interests and non-registerable interests

None

C/258/16 Dispensations: to consider requests for dispensations (for which a 'Dispensation Request' form must have been completed and submitted to the Proper Officer at least 3 working days prior to the meeting)

None

C/259/16 Minutes: to receive, confirm and sign the minutes of the following Council meetings:

(i) Full Council – 3rd December 2015

Resolved: to accept the Minutes of the meeting as a true record of the meeting, with the following addition:

On minute number **C/249/15** after 'Every rate payer in the Parish will receive a copy.' Add the words '*of the referendum*'

The addition was made on the minutes and they were signed by the Mayor.

C/260/16 Minutes of committee meetings (acting under delegated authority) and their recommendations:

(i) Planning Committee – 10th December 2015

(ii) Planning Committee – 23rd December 2015

(a) To receive and consider reports and minutes of the committee meetings listed above (5 i - ii)

Resolved: to receive and consider the reports and minutes of the committee meetings as listed above

(b) To adopt any recommendations of the committee meetings listed above (5 i – ii)
None.

C/261/16 Mayor's remarks

On the 13th December I accepted the Twinning Association's invitation to their Christmas gathering and was pleased to meet those involved and be brought up to date on the Association's activities.

On the 20th December I attended the Bude Town Band's fundraising Carol evening at the Falcon Hotel. An excellent night's entertainment was provided by the Town Band, Friggin' Rigg'in' and young dancers from the Methodist Church. We are blessed to have so many talented organisations in Bude which provide activities for all ages.

This week I have been busy trying to ascertain what is going on (or more to the point not going on) at Hillhead. I have been informed by the Project Manager that work will definitely commence next week, 11th January. I am still trying to get further details of the work schedule.

I have now received the following email:

“The scheme involves three phases of work: setting back the hedgerow; the diversion of services (for example electricity and phone cables) and; the construction of the roundabout.

The work that has been started is the work on the hedgerow.

We do not have a full programme for the subsequent phases of work – liaison is still taking place with the statutory undertakers regarding moving the services. The actual work on the roundabout cannot take place until the second phase is complete.

I hope to have a full programme soon and I will let you the details when I have them.

Sorry I cannot give you more detail at this time.”

C/262/16

Correspondence received – for information

(i) Cornwall Beach and Dune Management Plans from CH2M

C/263/16

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

Members of the public expressed their concerns re agenda item 15 (planning application), asked when the Councillors surgeries would begin, if there had been any progress on the letter to EA re the weir or the Sea Pool.

C/264/16

Opportunity for Cornwall Councillors present to discuss Cornwall Council issues relevant to BSTC

CC Cllr Pearce wanted to wish CC Cllr Parsons well. He advised that he had asked CC where the money received by them for the beach huts would go towards CC's debt.

CC Cllr Dolphin advised that she was now in a better position to attend the council meetings. The Government want Cornwall to build more houses and CC wished to control 2nd home buyers. She felt that the parish did not need all of the houses proposed in the planning application on the agenda.

C/265/16

Opportunity for Bude Neighbourhood Beat Manager to discuss Policing issues relevant to BSTC – circulated prior to the meeting

None – the Council requested that the Town Clerk invite the Police to attend a future Council meeting and update the Council on the current state of policing in the parish.

C/266/16

Members questions

Cllr Willingham questioned re the agenda item 'and any other planning application received' on the last planning meeting in December

Cllr Bryson questioned re the advice being sought whether non committee members can sit at the committee table.

C/267/16

Neighbourhood Plan – Update from the Mayor

There was a steering group meeting on the same day as this council meeting. There was a requirement to change some small print which requires technical attention, a quote for £600 had been received to address the issues which had been agreed at the steering group.

C/268/16

Devolution – To consider the setting up of a working group, to work with the Clerk, to do preparatory work and research on devolution to be reported back to full Council and to appoint a minimum of 3 Councillors to the group

Council resolved to set up a working group with the following Councillors: A Biggs, J Bryson, P Moores, F Partridge, H Partridge and P Tilzey and that Cllr Biggs chair the Working Group. The Town Clerk and CC Community Link Officer Chris Simms to attend where possible.

C/269/16

Appointment of members to Committees and outside bodies:

- (a) Properties Committee - 1 vacancy
Cllr Moores volunteered – **Resolved** by Council that Cllr Moores be appointed to the committee
- (b) Staffing Committee - 1 vacancy
Cllr H Partridge was nominated and seconded
Cllr B Willingham volunteered but was not seconded
Council **resolved** that Cllr H Partridge be appointed to the committee
Cllrs Bryson and Willingham voted against
- (c) Heritage and Culture - 1 vacancy
Cllr Bryson volunteered – **Resolved** by Council that Cllr Bryson be appointed to the committee

C/270/16

Planning – To consider and agree response to Cornwall Council on: Planning application PA15/10905 – outline app for proposed dev uotp 260 dwellings, public open space, allotments, scout hall, business/community hub, GP surgery and office space. Land North of Stratton Road, Bude for SW Strategic Dev, Mrs heard, Mr Heard and Mrs Hudson

Resolved by the Council that:

The council object to this application as we have concerns on the following grounds, which include but are not limited to;

Affordable housing is insufficient,

Parts of the site are outside of any previously identified development areas.

It goes against the wishes of the local community as expressed in the emerging neighbourhood plan.

Over development.

Water supply/table/drainage.

Sewage.

Coalescence.

Dormice, slow worms, bats.

Sensitivity of vintage trees.

Infrastructure - School, Dentist, GP.

Insufficient access to the site.

Access vehicles merging onto known pinch point.

Cycle/footpath/bridleway - no improvement made to access or provision.

C/271/16

Financial Report:

(i) Schedule of payments made V00993-V01075
Resolved – that the schedule of payments be noted

(ii) Schedule of payments to be made V01076-V01076
Resolved – that the schedule of payments be made

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.30pm

Signed..... Date.....