

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6th DECEMBER 2018

Cllrs present: B Willingham (Chairman), S Browning, L Deely, B Dixon, T Gibbs, P Kelly, P La Broy, P Moores, F Partridge, H Partridge, T Philp, P Tilzey, D Towl

Cornwall Cllr: D Parsons and P La Broy

Officers present: Mr K Cornwell – Acting Town Clerk and RFO
Mrs T Gliddon – Committee Administrator (CA)

Public present: 3

Press: 1

Meeting start time: 7pm

The Mayor informed the Council that Mr Jack Gardiner, former Councillor of 8 years and Chairman (Mayor) of the Council had sadly passed away, a one minute silence was held in remembrance.

C/443/18 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllrs: J Bryson, I Mason, L Moores and N Tucker.

C/444/18 To receive declarations of interest and non-registered disclosable pecuniary and non-registerable interests

None received

C/445/18 Dispensations: to consider requests for dispensations

None received

C/446/18 Minutes – Full Council: To receive, confirm and sign the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 1st November 2018

Resolved: That the Minutes were a true and accurate record of the Meeting and they were signed by the Chairman.

C/447/18 Minutes – Committees:

- i) Planning Committee – 25th October 2018
- ii) Heritage & Culture 25th October 2018
- iii) Properties Committee – 1st November 2018
- vi) Libraries Sub-Committee – 1st November 2018
- v) Planning Committee - 8th November 2018
- vi) Staffing Committee – 9th November 2018
- vii) Finance & General Purposes Committee – 15th November 2018
- viii) Planning Committee – 22nd November 2018

(a) To receive and note the Minutes of the Committee Meetings listed above (i-viii) (acting under delegated authority)

Resolved: To note all Committee meeting Minutes i-viii en-bloc.

(b) To consider and agree any recommendations of the Committee Meetings listed above (i-viii) (acting under delegated authority)

None

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C/448/18

Correspondence received

- i) Correspondence had been received regarding the temporary closure of Stratton MIU.
 - ii) Colwill's Estate agents had informed the Council that the Hookways/Jennings site had now been sold.
 - iii) Safe Cornwall Partnership Plan 2019-22 consultation had been circulated to Cllrs.
 - iv) The Local Government Boundary Commission had sent the map for the new boundaries for the Bude-Stratton (Cornwall Council) area.
 - v) Bude Marine group had sent a letter of thanks for their recent grant informing the Council they had purchased two Tablets for the groups use.
 - vi) Correspondence had been received regarding the recent award of Best Coastal holiday Town 2018 being given to Bude. BSTC would like to congratulate all involved at the Bude Tourist Board on gaining this award again.
 - vii) Correspondence had been received from Natural England showing proposed Coastal Access proposals for land owned by BSTC.
 - viii) Correspondence had been received The Environment Agency outlining historic sewage pollution issues.
- All correspondence was noted.

C/449/18

Public participation – a maximum of 15 minutes for public present to make comments concerning the business of the current Council (maximum of 2 minutes per person - dependent on numbers present; questions must be directed through the Chairman)

A member of the public spoke regarding the recent WW1 exhibition held at the Castle and commented on the good working relationship between the Archive Team and the Old Cornwall Society.

A member of the Bude Town Football Club spoke regarding an upgrade of a sports pitch in Bude. The funding for the upgrade would come from S106 monies from the new Cavanna Homes development off Stratton Road. There was discussion surrounding the allocation of S106 funds, C Cllrs present commented that they would be looking into this funding. The ATC would chase up CC for an update on recent S106 funding used in Bude-Stratton area.

C/450/18

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

Cllr D Parsons: Spoke at length with regard to the overnight closure of Stratton Hospital MIU. He reported this was apparently due to the lack of trained nurses to cover this time period. The closure would be temporary from 6th December 2018 until Feb 2019. The MIU would remain open from 8am-10pm daily. Cllr Parsons wanted to make it clear to BSTC that neither he or his fellow C Cllrs knew anything of these proposals until Tuesday of this week, when they discovered the news of the closure via social media. He and BSTC Cllrs agreed that this was disrespectful to Cllrs and the Town's people alike. He reported that he and fellow C Cllr's La Broy and Chopak, had been, and would be working hard to get this situation resolved and have the MIU up and running over night again as soon as possible. Cllr Parsons took questions from the floor.

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Cllr P La Broy: Reiterated all of Cllr Parson's words regarding the Stratton MIU, and he would report any news as and when it was available. He spoke briefly regarding a meeting with a Planning officer from CC held at BSTC and the possibility of a Community Land Trust being able to provide key Worker housing.

C/451/18 **The Bude Tri-Services Safety Officer's Report**

None present

C/452/18 **To receive reports of Meetings (non-committee) from Councillors (if any)**

Cllr S Browning had attended the Environmental Policy Development working group. He has also attended the Bude Canal and Harbour Society meeting, who were working on plans for the Canal Bi-Centenary year.

Cllr P Tilzey had been attending regular BCCT meetings. He reported that funding was starting to come in for future projects.

Cllr B Willingham reported that he and the ATC/RFO had attended a meeting at the Blanchminster Trust regarding the Binhamy Trust which has been setup to take over the Binhamy Castle Heritage Site.

C/453/18 **Mayor's report:**

"November was a full month beginning with remembrance Sunday on the 11th November, which marked the centenary of the 1918 Armistice. This year Scott Mann MP, joined me to lay wreaths in Bude and Stratton. The Castle held the 'Lest We Forget – A New Dawn' in conjunction with the Old Cornwall Society and there was a field of remembrance in the Castle Grounds.

The Bude Heroes Awards were held in the Ivor Potter Hall, it was a brilliant evening and something we can continue in the years to come.

I also attended a show to commemorate Remembrance Day at Budehaven School, the autumn performance of the Bude Choral Society, the singing of the 'Carols of The Stratton Hundred' and lastly I attend the opening of the a pub in Trelana Retirement and nursing home.

I was invited to the 100th birthday celebrations of local post mistress for Kilkhampton, were I presented a bouquet along with the Bude Post master who presented the card from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

The Bude Christmas Fayre was held in the Parkhouse Centre and Castle this year, with 50 stalls and live music, with acts from across the community. The fayre was very well attended and I would like to thank all the staff that helped put together the event.

I would also like to thank all at the Bude Tourist Information Centre who have helped Bude to win Best UK Seaside Town again this year".

C/454/18 **2019/2020 Budget and Precept:**

(a) To consider and adopt the budget of the Council for 2019/20

Resolved: That BSTC adopt the budget of the Council for 2019/20

(b) To consider the recommendation from the Finance and General Purposes Committee FGP/223/18 **Resolved:** To recommend to Full Council that the precept for

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2019/20 be set at £875,899, an increase in the Council Tax on a Band D property of £7.18 per annum.

Resolved: That the precept for 2019/20 be set at £875,899, an increase in the Council Tax on a Band D property of £7.18 per annum.

C/455/18 Sealing of the Transfer of Title and Option Agreement relating to Bude Library

Resolved: That the Transfer of Title and Option Agreement relating to Bude Library be sealed.

C/456/18 To consider the recommendations of the Beach Play Areas Working Group and agree any associated actions and expenditure

Resolved: That the Finance & General Purposes Committee be given full power to deal with all actions and expenditure moving forward to facilitate the devolution of the Beach Play Areas.

The Chairman, with the agreement of the Council allowed a member of the Bude Coastal Communities Trust (BCCT) to speak during the next item.

C/457/18 To consider a devolution plan for the Crooklets skate park and potential to work in partnership with BCCT to deliver a new skate park facility

The member of the BCCT gave the Council an outline of the proposed plan to re-develop the skate park at Crooklets beach carpark. The current skate park is in the ownership of CC and could be devolved to BSTC along with the Beach Play Areas. There would be no expectation from BSTC to fund any future maintenance of the skatepark. The project could cost in the region of £250,000, with a timescale of 18mths – 2yrs. Ownership of the site would go to BSTC who would in turn lease the site. The ATC advised that CC would want to devolve the site to BSTC as a fully Constituted Organisation.

Resolved: To delegate the matter to the Finance & General Purposes committee in order to investigate further, with a view to include the skatepark in the devolution of the Play Areas.

C/458/18 To consider a request for use of Summerleaze Downs in April 2019, for a weekend of events to highlight the positive impact of coastal areas on mental health and wellbeing

Cllr F Partridge reported to the Council that he and the ATC had met with the organiser of the proposed event to discuss the usage of Summerleaze Downs.

Resolved: That BSTC approve the use of the Summerleaze Downs for the proposed event to be held on 5th-8th April 2019, subject to the usual terms and conditions being met. This approval being only in respect of BSTC owned land at Summerleaze Downs.

C/459/18 To agree changes to the January 2019 Meeting Schedule, removing the Planning Committee on the 3rd and the Finance and General Purposes Committee on the 17th, and moving the Full Council Meeting scheduled for the 3rd to the 17th

Resolved: That Planning Committee on the 3rd January 2019 and the Finance and General Purposes Committee on the 17th January 2019 be removed and the Full Council Meeting scheduled for the 3rd January 2019 be moved to the 17th January 2019.

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C/460/18

Financial Report:

i) Schedule of Payments made – 15th November 2018 – 6th December 2018

Resolved: to note the payments made

ii) Schedule of Payments to be made – 7th December 2018

Resolved: to approve payments to be made

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm

Chairman's Signature..... Date.....

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