



Full Council Minutes

Meeting held at 6pm on Thursday 3rd August 2023
in the Conference Room, Parkhouse Centre, Bude

Present: Cllrs Dawe (Chair), Aulsberry-Vockins, Browning, Colwill, Corrigan-Turner, Dearing, Diffey, Goode, Herbert-Coulson, Hanna, Haynes, La Broy, Moores, O'Sullivan, Purchase, Quinton and Tame

In Attendance: T Cant (Town Clerk), I Saltern (Deputy Town Clerk), F Churchill-Zerilli (Projects & Strategy Manager), J Goode (Communications Officer) and 9 members of the public

FC/147/23 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Bluett and C Cllrs Chopak and Tilbey who had work commitments and the reasons were accepted.

FC/148/23 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest on agenda items.

FC/149/23 Dispensations Granted

No dispensations had been granted.

FC/150/23 Approval of Minutes and Resolutions

The minutes of the previous meeting on 13th July 2023 were agreed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

Minutes of the following meetings were noted:

- i. Planning Committee – 5th and 19th July 2023
- ii. Oversight Committee – 20th July 2023
- iii. Staffing Committee – 27th July 2023
- iv. Properties Committee – 27th July 2023

Resolutions:

Members resolved to agree

- i. SC/38/23(i) That the Staffing Committee recommend the proposed changes to the staffing structure to Full Council along with costings.
- ii. SC/46/23 - That the staffing Committee agree the changes to the Parkhouse Centre Caretaker's present contract/tenancy agreement

FC/151/23 Correspondence received

Items 1-4 – various, BSTC Flag protocol – Correspondence was noted.

FC/152/23 Opportunity for Cornwall Councillors present to discuss Cornwall Council issues relevant to BSTC

Cllr P La Broy – reported that he had raised the issue of homelessness with Cornwall Council. He had met with Cornwall Council's Dog Warden and was comfortable with the policing of dogs on Bude's beaches.

He had met with the Berries Avenue Action Group regarding proposed improvements to the play area. Cornwall Council's Asset management Group had met and discussed the devolution of Bude Skate Park to the Town Council. Big Blue Surf School was seeking to develop Bude as a centre of excellence for adaptive surfing (surfing for people with additional needs).

Very few grants had been received under the Shared Prosperity Fund from this area and applications were encouraged. Sarah Bull, the new Community Link Officer for Bude and Camelford had been recruited. Canal dredging was on schedule for the autumn. A member of the public suggested that Tamarisk should be replanted following the proposed flood alleviation works on the River Neet.

FC/153/23 Public participation – for public present to make comments concerning the business of the current Council

Issues were raised regarding 1 Lords Court, young people and learning disabilities, the establishment of a Youth Council, the arrival of the railway to Bude, maintenance of the Bude Light and the potential for the skate park to flood.

FC/154/23 Retrospective approval of quotation re fire alarm system

It was resolved to approve the quotation from M&E Alarms for necessary upgrading of the fire alarm system within the Parkhouse Centre as agreed at the Oversight Committee (OS/080/23) held 20th July 2023.

FC/155/23 To receive an update from the Bude Climate Partnership concerning the Bude Area Community Jury on Climate Change

The Project Coordinator for the Bude Climate Partnership, gave a presentation regarding the above issue and outlined the potential impacts of sea-level rise on Bude. He explained the process of forming and holding a Community Jury on Climate Change, and stated that the process was being supported by the Environment Agency, Cornwall Council, and climate experts *Shared Future*. He requested that the Council encourage community participation in the process and review the recommendations of the Jury on Climate Change.

FC/156/23 Request from Bude Climate Partnership re Community Jury on Climate Change

Resolved: To support the Bude Area Community Jury on Climate Change, and commit to reviewing the recommendations made by the Jury at the end of the process.

FC/157/23 To consider an invitation from Cornwall Council to review renewals for Public Spaces Protection Orders (dogs)

The invitation from Cornwall Council to review renewals for Public Spaces Protection Orders was discussed. Cllr Goode relayed her experience of run-ins with dogs. Cllr Colwill suggested that consideration could be given to orders around schools during term times. It was felt that a blanket order covering all times would be easier to enforce. Cllr K Goode suggested playparks, nurseries, play groups and schools should be included within any proposed Public Spaces Protection Order.

Resolved: to submit a response to the consultation proposing no dogs in play parks and Bude Skatepark, and dogs to be kept on leads outside schools, playgroups and nurseries in the parish.

FC/158/23 Update on the Wheeled Sports Project and to consider the use of the beach office at Crooklets

The Projects & Strategy Manager outlined the current situation regarding the development of the existing skate park and the proposed new Wheeled Sports Facility site to the south of it. A Heritage Impact Assessment had been commissioned to investigate the potential for archaeology on the proposed new site. The Projects & Strategy Manager also outlined the funding situation and the proposal of using the Crooklets beach office as a youth facility linked to the skate park. The Projects & Strategy Manager also raised the request from Bude At War to make use of the building during their event in September. Cllr La Broy was eager to ensure that the public were made aware of the scale of the proposed new site for the Wheeled Sports Facility.

Resolved: That the beach office at Crooklets be presented as a proposal to funders as a youth facility connected to the redevelopment of the Skate Park to strengthen applications.

Resolved: That Bude At War could make use of the Crooklets Beach Office for the Bude At War event 15 – 17th September 2023.

FC/159/23 To receive an update and financial report for the Compass Point Project and consider the recommendation re flooring and flagpole

[Cllr Moores left the meeting at 7:44pm]

The Projects & Strategy Manager updated Councillors with the latest developments of the Compass Point Project, including the reasons for seeking to retain the existing outside flooring. Contractors had requested an extension to the programme timetable until November 2023. Half of the project's contingency budget has been committed – the cost implications of the programme had already been factored into the first half of the contingency.

Resolved: To propose to the landowner and leaseholder of the Storm Tower to keep the existing outside flooring in situ, to make the site safe and to fence the site off.

Resolved: To propose to the landowner and leaseholder that the Council replace the existing flagpole with a functioning flagpole that could be used if desired.

FC/160/23 To receive an update regarding the Bude Flood Alleviation Work

The Deputy Town Clerk reported the dates of commencement for the Bude Flood Alleviation Work:

- Site set-up – from Mon 21st Aug 2023
- Closure of Nanny Moores Bridge and Ergue-Gaberic Way – from Tues 29th Aug 2023
- Reopening of Nanny Moores Bridge and Ergue-Gaberic Way – 31st Oct 2023
- Works conclude – April 2024

FC/161/23 To approve change from licence to lease for EconetiQ and to authorise the sealing of the lease

The Deputy Town Clerk reported that advice received from the Town Council's solicitors had raised a number of points which would require further investigation and consideration and recommended deferring this item to Full Council in September 2023.

Resolved: To defer the approval of the lease and authorisation of its sealing to Full Council in September 2023.

FC/162/23 Financial Reports

- i. Schedule of Payments made between 21st July – 3rd August 2023
Members noted the schedule of payments to be made.

- ii. Schedule of Payments to be made on 4th August 2023
Members approved the schedule of payments to be made.

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 8:06 pm.

Chair's Signature.....

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