



Full Council Minutes

Meeting held at 6pm on Thursday 11th January 2024
in the Conference Room, Parkhouse Centre, Bude

Present: Cllrs Dawe (Chair), Aulsberry–Vockins, Browning, Colwill, Dearing, Diffey, Goode, Hanna, Haynes, Herbert-Coulson, La Broy, Moores, O’Sullivan, Purchase,

In Attendance: T Cant -Town Clerk (TC), Emma Mason (RFO), T Gliddon (Assistant Clerk admin)

Public: 3

Press: 1

Public participation: Members of the public present spoke re: NHS, Storm Tower project and wind farms.

FC/001/24 To receive apologies and accept reasons for any non-attendance

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Bluett (work), Corrigan-Turner (personal), Quinton (work) and Tame (personal). The reasons were accepted. Apologies also accepted from C Cllrs Chopak and Tilbey.

FC/002/24 To receive Declarations of Interest and note any dispensations granted

None received.

FC/003/24 To receive the Mayor’s Report

The Mayor had attended the Marhamchurch PC meeting in December. Cllr O’Sullivan thanked the Mayor for his attendance at the meeting.

FC/004/24 To note any reports from Cornwall Councillors

Cllr P La Broy discussed the dredging at the Bude Canal, which is reported to be on schedule with end date of Easter 2024. The bank repairs would be carried out when the dredging was completed. The Crescent car park overspill area would be used to trial overnight camping for camper vans this coming season. He had attended the Economic Growth Committee, Transport Committee and Disabled Tourism committee meetings. He reported that he still had Community Chest funds to allocate. Cllr La Broy paid tribute to Mark Blachford, a long standing member of the Bude Retained Fire fighters who had sadly passed away.

FC/005/24 To consider a Service Level Agreement with Cornwall Council regarding on and off-street parking enforcement in the summer.

Resolved: that BSTC do not take up the Service Level Agreement with Cornwall Council.

FC/006/24 Minutes

a. Full Council: to approve the minutes of the previous meeting 7th December 2023

Resolved: that the minutes were a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

b. Committees: to receive and note the minutes of the committee meetings listed below:

Planning Committee – 6th & 20th December 2023

Resolved: that the Committee minutes be noted.

Cllr Haynes arrived 6.36pm

c. Recommendations

To approve recommendation relating to CD/38/23 re Town Team (attached)

Resolved: to approve recommendations contained in CD/38/23

To approve recommendation PL/208/23 relating to earmarked CIL monies recommend to Full Council that the CIL monies currently held BSTC reserves for use towards Community Land Trust should now be ring fenced to be used towards BSTC affordable Housing to include Lords Court.

Resolved: to approve the recommendation PL/208/23

FC/007/24 To retrospectively appoint the Town Clerk, Tatiana Cant
Resolved: that the appointment of Tatiana Cant as Town Clerk to Bude-Stratton Town Council be approved on NJCSP 43 (42-45).

FC/008/24 To approve finance reports:
a. Schedule of Payments made between 8th December 2023 and 11th January 2024
Resolved: that the schedule of payments made be noted.
b. Schedule of Payments to be made on 12th January 2024
Resolved: that the schedule of payments to be made be approved.

FC/009/24 To agree grants, 2nd round 2023/24
Resolved: that grant be awarded as below:

Bude Pilot Gig Club	£2,500
Cognition Learning	£2,500
Exercise 4 Mobility	£ 950
waVe Project	£ 450
Bedazzled Theatre Group	£ 450
Bude Explorer Scouts	£ 350
Bude Women's Group	£ 499
Connect Bude	£ 375

FC/010/24 To receive and note the Internal Audit report 20th December 2023, and agree any actions necessary
The Town Clerk spoke to the item and explained that the recommendations would be addressed including an enhanced investment strategy. The Internal Auditor had noted that it was good practice to increase the precept at least in line with inflation. His recommendation to increase the General Reserves from 3 months to 6 months would not be implemented this year.
Resolved: that the report be noted and the recommendations in the report be implemented when appropriate.

FC/010/a/24 To receive a verbal report from the staffing Committee
The Committee Chair gave a verbal report to members of the meeting regarding matters pertaining to the 2024/25 budget. Minutes would follow. It had been agreed to fund the Project Officer role from the Carbon Officer reserve fund. The report was noted.

FC/011/24 To approve 2024/25 budget and precept request
The Council considered the budget for 2024/25.
Resolved: that the Budget for Bude-Stratton Town Council for 2024/25 be agreed, at a total of £2,405,206.

The RFO reported that the BSTC element of the 2024/25 precept would be an increase of 98p per week for a band D property.

Resolved: that the precept for the BSTC element of Council Tax would be £1,223,416

FC/012/24 To approve appointment of Deputy Town Clerk as Chair of Bude Climate Partnership

Discussion took place re the amount of time the DTC would give to the post and for how long he would carry the role out.

Resolved: that BSTC approve the appointment of the Deputy Town Clerk as interim Chair of the Bude Climate Partnership for 3mths, with a review in 3mths with management support at the discretion of the Town Clerk.

FC/013/24 To receive updates from Lead Cllrs on community activities and outside bodies

Cllr Dearing reported that Bude Climate Partnership would hold a meeting at the Falcon Hotel on 15th January to report on the outcome of the Climate Jury sessions. All Cllrs were invited and encouraged to attend.

Cllr Dearing and O'Sullivan reported that they had attended a "Meet the Cllr" session which had been held in Stratton.

Cllr Goode reported re: the Town Team.

Cllr Herbert-Coulson reported re: 80th anniversary of D-Day events. It was reported that Godfrey Harrison of Bude RBL had been awarded the OBE for services to the Community of Bude-Stratton. The Mayor and members offered their thanks and congratulations to Mr Harrison.

FC/014/24 To receive items of correspondence from the Clerk

None received.

FC/015/24 To note date of next meeting: Thursday 1st February 2024

The date of the next meeting was noted.

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 7.42pm

Chair's Signature

Date