



## Full Council Minutes

Meeting held at 6pm on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024  
in the Conference Room, Parkhouse Centre, Bude

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

**In Attendance:** T. Cant - Town Clerk (TC), T. Gliddon (Assistant Clerk admin)

**Public: 16**

**Press: 1**

**Public participation:** The public present commented on the BSTC Council tax precept increase and the Compass Point project.

**FC/016/24 To receive apologies and accept reasons for any non-attendance**

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Goode (personal) and Tame (personal). The reasons were accepted.

**FC/017/24 To receive Declarations of Interest and note any dispensations granted**

None received.

**FC/018/24 Climate partnership**

Representatives of the Bude Climate Partnership and the Climate Jury attended the meeting. It had been reported that good feedback had been received from the Environment Agency regarding the recent community meeting held at the Falcon Hotel. The recommendations of the Jury were presented. Requests of BSTC from the jury were 3 fold being:

- that BSTC facilitate a meeting for the wider community to discuss the recommendations, to be held within 6mths.
- that BSTC receive Budehaven School Climate Jury recommendations.
- that BSTC hold an extraordinary Full Council meeting within 3mths to receive the Climate Jury recommendations.

**Resolved: That BSTC hold an extraordinary Full Council meeting with 3mths, that BSTC receive the Budehaven school jury recommendations and that BSTC agree to help facilitate a meeting for the wider community with 6mths.**

**FC/019/24 To receive the Mayor’s Report**

The Mayor had attended the community meeting of the Bude Climate Partnership / Jury and had followed this up with a joint meeting of the Bude Town Team and the Climate Partnership to discuss the Town Team governance arrangements.

**FC/020/24 To note any reports from Cornwall Councillors**

C Cllr La Broy reported that CC funding for the Astro turf / lighting at Budehaven School had been awarded. He would be attending an informal meeting with representatives of the Bude Golf Club to discuss the ongoing works to the course. He had attended a meeting of the Bude CCTV group, who had offered to fit a camera to look at Foyer public conveniences using funding recently received from BSTC. He would be meeting with Connect Bude and the CC portfolio holder for transport to discuss transport to local health facilities. A meeting had taken place at Cavanna homes site to discuss the replacement of the Mill Stone. He discussed pedestrian crossing in Stratton and the upgrade of Rodds Bridge, the dredging and reinforcement of the canal wall and complaints from residents re: odour from the treatment works. Cllr La Broy took questions from the floor.

**FC/021/24 Minutes**

a. Full Council: to approve the minutes of the previous meeting 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Resolved: that the minutes presented were an accurate record of the meeting and were signed by the Chair.**

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

i. Planning Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Resolved: to note the minutes of the planning committee.**

ii Corporate & Democratic Services Committee – 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Resolved: to note the minutes of the Corporate & Democratic Services Committee**

iii Facilities & Environmental Services Committee – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Resolved: to note the minutes of the Facilities & Environmental Services Committee**

c Recommendations contained in CD/005/24 - *that Full Council adopt the flag policy as presented, with the additional principle that any group/organisation can request to fly a flag from any one flag pole and may, under extenuating circumstances, apply for further flags to be flown from more than one flag pole. Any such request should be agreed by the Full Council.*

The Mayor introduced members of the Royal British Legion, who spoke to members re the flying of the Union Flag. Lengthy discussion took place regarding the BSTC Flag Policy.

**Resolved: that recommendation CD/005/24 would not be adopted.**

**Resolved: that the current Flag Policy be re-examined and taken to the C & D Committee for approval, with the exception of February and March which will follow the policy as written.**

recommendation: that Full Council adopt the Whistleblowing Policy

**resolved: to adopt the Whistleblowing Policy**

recommendation: that Full Council adopt the Equal Opportunities Policy

**resolved: to adopt the Equal Opportunities Policy**

**FC/022/24 To approve recommendation to migrate to new IT provider**

The TC reported the current situation regarding the BSTC IT provider and the need to upgrade the system. The TC explained the need for a provider to be based in the local area and be equipped to migrate the BSTC systems to the Cloud. The TC had been in touch with three providers and would report further progress at a later meeting.

**Resolved: the item be deferred.**

**FC/023/24 To note the Q3 position and approve any movements of the Council's reserves**

Discussion took place.

**Resolved: to move the item to the C & D Committee for further discussion.**

**FC/024/24 To approve finance reports:**

a. Schedule of Payments made between 11<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024 and 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2024

**Resolved: that the schedule of payments made be noted.**

b. Schedule of Payments to be made on 2nd Feb 2024

**Resolved: that the schedule of payments to be made be approved.**

**FC/025/24 To appoint members to the following Committees:**

a. Corporate & Democratic Services – 1 vacancy

**Resolved: that Cllr Moores be appointed as member of C & D Committee**

b. Planning Committee – 2 vacancies

**Resolved: that Cllr O'Sullivan be appointed to Planning Committee**

**FC/026/24 To agree a response to proposed diversion of Bridleway 11**

Discussion took place re: the current Bridleway and the land under consideration for the diversion.

**Resolved: that BSTC object to the proposal – the proposed land is inappropriate as a bridleway: it is wet / boggy land and will be difficult for Cornwall Council to maintain as a bridleway.**

- FC/027/24 To receive updates from Lead Councillors on community activities and outside bodies**  
Cllr Corrigan-Turner – updated members on the activities of the Bee Team (MENCAP), who were providing accessible activities for people with learning difficulties.  
Cllr Herbert-Coulson – Updated on the recent meeting with the RBL re: 80th anniversary of D-Day.
- FC/028/24 To receive items of correspondence from the Clerk**  
There were no items received.
- FC/029/24 To note date of next meeting: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024**  
The date of the next meeting was noted.
- FC/030/24 To resolve to exclude the press and public due to the confidential or special nature of the business to be transacted**  
**Resolved – that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the confidential session.**

