

LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL

AT A MEETING of the **PROPERTY COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 13th May 2014 at 7.30 pm there were present:

Councillor Ian Goldsworthy- in the Chair

The Mayor - Councillor Sue Pike ex officio

Councillors: Sally Hawken, Adam Hodgkins, and Christina Whitty

Town Clerk – Andrew Deacon

Members of the Public - no members of the public were present

The Chairman advised those present of Housekeeping matters

1019/13 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors: Phil Seeva, Hella Tovar, Jane Pascoe, James Shrubsole and Tony Powell

1020/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interests were made

1021/13 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8th April 2014

Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, The Mayor seconded and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 8th April 2014 were **APPROVED**.

1022/13 MATTERS ARISING

1. Rapsons Skate Park (Minute 838/13(3))

The work on the repair and refurbishment of the fence had been completed satisfactorily.

2. Public Hall Hire Rates (Minute 923/13)

The Chair reported that the hire rates had been increased and the public seem to have received such increased well. It was felt that the rates may well have to be reviewed further at the end of the year.

1023/13 BUDGET REPORT TO 30th APRIL 2014

There was no Budget report due to the fact that the Accounts Clerk had been on holiday and was now catching up on certain work. The Chair reported that he would endeavour to get the Budget report out in its new format very soon.

1024/13 CORRESPONDENCE

A letter had been received from Mr Chris Smith requesting the Council's permission to erect an 8 foot by 6 foot shed on his allotment Plot 1A. The Committee could not see a problem with granting permission provided such shed was within the rules. The Town Clerk believed that it was. The Chair proposed and Councillor Whitty seconded and the Committee **RESOLVED** to grant the permission subject to allotment rules.

A letter had been received from a Mr Brian Colliass regarding drainage problems on his property adjoining Rapsons Field. The Town Clerk informed the Committee that the land in question was not owned by the Town Council but Cornwall Council. The Committee requested that the Clerk write to Mr Colliass and inform him of the fact and give him the name of the person to contact in Cornwall Council.

1025/13 REFRESHMENT ROOM

The Chair informed the Committee that he and Councillor Pascoe had inspected the room recently. It was clear that the stone column in the centre of the room was key to its future lay out. The Chair proposed and the Mayor seconded and the Committee **RESOLVED** to commission a Structural Engineer to report on the necessity of having such a large column and the potential cost of replacing the same.

1026/13 WESTBOURNE GARDENS

A discussion took place as to the gaining of a topographical survey of the gardens. It appeared that Cornwall Council did not possess such a Survey. The Town Clerk reported that he had contacted Andrew George to give an indication of a price for such a survey and had been informed that it would cost in the region of £650 plus VAT. The Clerk said he had arranged to meet Andrew George at the gardens at 8:15 the next morning to point out the prospective areas where entrances were proposed. Councillor Hawken stated that she thought that unwise as she was having a meeting during the week to see if it was possible to gain some of the garden land of Westbourne House. The Town Clerk pointed out that such a proposition had already been mooted with Cornwall Council and had been rejected by it.

The Chair proposed to defer the survey until the next meeting to allow time for Councillor Hawken to have her meeting.

The Town Clerk stated that it would do no harm to have the meeting with Andrew George. It was agreed that the Chair and Councillor Hodgkins would also attend.

PART II

1027/13 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of Business.

1028/13 ITEMS REFERRED FROM THE MAIN PART OF THE AGENDA

Councillor Hodgkins declared an interest and left the meeting

Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor J. Shrubsole seconded and the Committee **RESOLVED** to approve the confidential minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8th April 2014.

Item discussed: Country Produce Market

1029/13 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 the members of the Press and Public are re-admitted to the Meeting.

Councillor A. Hodgkins re-joined the Meeting

1030/13 ANY OTHER RELEVANT BUSINESS

The Committee decided that there would be an allotment holders meeting at the June meeting and in November.

1031/13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 10th June 2014.