

LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL

AT A MEETING of the **TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Long Room on Tuesday 9 May 2017 at 7.00 p.m. there were present:

The Mayor – Councillor Jane Pascoe – in the chair.

Councillors – Tyler Bennetts, Rachel Brooks, Anna Clarke, Ian Goldsworthy, Sally Hawken, Roger Holmes, Sue Pike, Tony Powell, Jan Raines, Susan Shand and Christina Whitty.

Town Clerk – Steve Vinson

Members of the Public – Cornwall Councillor Nick Craker and Felicity Sylvester.

Mayor's Chaplain – Kevin Grant led the Council in prayer.

The Mayor advised the Councillors and members of the public of Housekeeping matters.

1/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Mayor and Deputy Mayor presented Felicity Sylvester of the Brilliant Fish project with a cheque for £400. Felicity Sylvester thanked the Council for its support and provided the Council with a brief update on the project.

2/17 ELECTION OF A MAYOR FOR THE 2017/2018 YEAR

The Mayor nominated, Councillor Pike seconded the nomination and the Council **RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Christina Whitty as Mayor for the 2017/2018 year.

3/17 ELECTION OF A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE 2017/2018 YEAR

Councillor Hawken nominated, Councillor Goldsworthy seconded the nomination and the Council **RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Tyler Bennetts as Deputy Mayor for the 2017/2018 year.

4/17 APOLOGIES

None.

5/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, REGISTERABLE AND NON REGISTERABLE

Councillor Goldsworthy declared an interest in “Schedule of Accounts for Payment” 102880.

6/17 TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 25 APRIL 2017

Subject to the amendment of minute 588/16 to “5 Councillors against” the Mayor proposed, Councillor Hawken seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to adopt the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25 April 2017.

7/17 TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 20 APRIL 2017

The Mayor proposed, Councillor Brooks seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 20 April 2017.

8/17 TOWN CLERK’S UPDATE – 25 APRIL 2017 COUNCIL MEETING

The Town Clerk reported that legal advice had been sought in regard the PARTII item. The legal advice was that the proposed Council course of action was correct. Accordingly, the Town Clerk would carry out the action already approved by Council.

9/17 COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2017/2018

a). The Mayor proposed, Councillor Pike seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to approve the Membership of Committees for 2017/2018.

b). Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor Powell seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to change the start time for Council and Committee meetings to 7.30 p.m.

10/17 COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2017/2018

The Mayor proposed, the Deputy Mayor seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to approve the Councillor Representation on Outside Bodies 2017/2018.

11/17 LOCALISM ACT 2011 – GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

Councillor Brooks proposed, Councillor Pike seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** that Liskeard Town Council retains its General Power of Competence as defined by the Localism Act 2011 s1(1) and s8 and further defined in statutory instrument Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012.

12/17 SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS – TO BE APPROVED

Cheque 102871 – was a payment to a contractor for attending the Council Chamber from Callington to provide two years of updates.

Cheque 102888 – was a payment for the purchase of stock to sell in the shop area of the TIC.

Councillor Brooks proposed, Councillor Pike seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to approve for the Schedule of Accounts for Payment.

13/17 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR UPDATES

Councillor Nick Craker – was welcomed to the Town Council. As Cornwall Councillor for the North ward he would be invited to meetings of the Town Council's Sports Pitches and Recreation Provision Working Party. Councillor Craker indicated willingness to work with the Town Council on issues.

Councillor Sally Hawken – reported a conversation with John Betty Cornwall Council's Interim Strategic Director for Economic Growth and Development. Councillor Hawken hoped this would have beneficial impact upon the Cattle Market proposals.

Councillor Jane Pascoe – indicated that she had attended induction training and that it was still very early in the formation of the new Council.

14/17 OTHER REPORTS None

15/17 CORRESPONDENCE

Golden Tree Productions – 3rd May 2017 e-mail had been circulated. Owing to timings the item was dealt with directly by Council. Following discussion, Councillor Brooks proposed, Councillor Hawken seconded and Council **RESOLVED** that Councillor Brooks would coordinate a bid working with a group including Councillors Clarke, Hawken, Holmes, Pike and Shand. The group would include partners from businesses and community groups as necessary.

Co-option Vacancies – To date, four completed co-option forms had been received. It was anticipated that further would be forthcoming. One candidate said that they would be on holiday from 3rd – 10th June and not able to attend the 6th June Council meeting to be interviewed. It was noted that the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting on 23rd May might be an opportunity to hold a co-option interview for that one candidate. Following discussion, Councillor Brooks proposed, Councillor Clarke seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** that the candidate for co-option unable to attend 6th June Council meeting be offered the opportunity to attend a co-option interview at the 23rd May Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Late George Vaughan-Ellis Memorial Trophy – it was reported that the family of the late George Vaughan-Ellis hope to have the trophy available for the 17th May 2017 Mayor Choosing ceremony, at which event it would be presented by Mark Vaughan-Ellis his son. The family wish to award the trophy on this first occasion to Eileen Crouch.

Resignation Councillor Hella Tovar – The Town Clerk had received notification of Councillor Hella Tovar's resignation from the Council. The Mayor proposed, Councillor Pike seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to send a letter of thanks to Hella Tovar for the invaluable contribution to the Council, in particular her tremendous effort and involvement with the Museum.

Lorna and James Shrubsole – The Mayor read out the card received from the former Councillors Lorna and James Shrubsole. This thanked the Council for the tree and present and wished the Council and everyone all the best for the future.

16/17 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Mayor Choosing Ceremony on Wednesday 17 May 2017 at 7.00 p.m. in the Public Hall.

Town Council meeting in the Long Room on Tuesday 6 June 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

Councillor Powell proposed, Councillor Brooks seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to note the PARTII minutes 25th April 2017.