

LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL

AT A MEETING of the **TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 25 October 2016 at 7.00 p.m. there were present:

The Mayor – Councillor Jane Pascoe – in the Chair

The Deputy Mayor – Councillor Christina Whitty

Councillors – Ian Goldsworthy, Sally Hawken, Roger Holmes, Sue Pike, Tony Powell, Anne Purdon, Phil Seeva, James Shrubsole and Lorna Shrubsole,

Town Clerk – Steve Vinson

Mayor's Chaplain – Kevin Grant.

Members of the Public – Councillor Armand Toms Mayor of Looe, Brian Galipeau East Looe Town Trust, John Hesketh – Liskeard Town Forum, Camille Smith - Young People Cornwall, Luke and Chloe - Youth Parliament.

The Mayor's Chaplain led the Council and Members of the Public in prayer.

The Mayor advised the Council and Members of the Public of Housekeeping matters.

230/16 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Rachel Brooks, Martin Menear, and Hella Tovar and Cornwall Councillor Mike George.

231/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, REGISTERABLE AND NON REGISTERABLE

The Mayor indicated a non-registerable interest in Agenda Item 8 Heartswell South West Charity. The Mayor raised money for the Charity.

232/16 MAYOR'S REMARKS

The schedule of Mayor's Visits (some of which had been attended by the Deputy Mayor) had been circulated. The Mayor drew attention to the following events:

- George Vaughan-Ellis Memorial Service – 2.30 p.m. Saturday 29th October 2016 at the Methodist Church (Councillor Goldsworthy apologies due to work commitments).
- Farewell ‘Drink and Nibbles’ – Stuart Houghton and former Mayor Pam McKeown – 8.00 p.m. 2nd November 2016 Mayors Parlour.

233/16 TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2016

The Mayor proposed, Councillor Purdon seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 5 September 2016 be adopted.

234/16 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – BRIAN GALIPEAU AND ARMAND TOMS – BATHING WATER QUALITY

The two speakers outlined the current situation with Looe Bathing Water Quality. There was ongoing improvement in water quality. However, the methodology rating it had been changed so that it was now regarded as poor. This was partly due to the materials being flushed into the sewers that were not biodegradable. An information campaign was now being undertaken locally.

Councillors advised of the availability of the new About Liskeard magazine and the Liskeard Community Radio as ways of getting the message out to the Community.

235/16 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – CAMILLE SMITH - YOUNG PEOPLE CORNWALL AND LUKE AND CHLOE - YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Camille Smith provided details as to the work of the Young People Cornwall initiative which now covered Liskeard. Luke and Chloe explained about their involvement in the Youth Parliament and other volunteering opportunities. They thanked Councillor Hawken for spending time in earlier in the day with them to explain about the work of the Council. The Mayor outlined the joint working initiative to raise funding for a special piece of equipment. This was a project between the Liskeard School and Community College, Liskeard Town Council and local businesses.

236/16 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – JOHN HESKETH – TOWN FORUM

John Hesketh updated the Council on the recent review of the work of the Forum. He outlined the basis of the Community consultation and how this was now being used to shape the future activities of the Forum in a more focussed way.

237/16 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

a. COMMUNICATIONS & ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2016

Councillor L Shrubsole proposed, Councillor Pike seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT** the minutes of the Communications & Engagement Committee held on Tuesday 5 September 2016

b. PROPERTY COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2016

Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor Hawken seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT** the minutes of the Property Committee held on Tuesday 13 September 2016.

c. PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2016

The Deputy Mayor proposed, Councillor L Shrubsole seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT** the minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 19 September 2016.

d. FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2016

The Mayor proposed, Councillor L Shrubsole seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT** the minutes of the Finance Committee held on Tuesday 27 September 2016.

Motions:

1). That to assist with Medium Term Financial Planning in the period 2017/2018 – 2021/2022 the Mayor proposed, Councillor Hawken seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT**:

- a). A five-year capital programme.
- b). The progression of appropriate Section 106 related capital projects.
- c). The progression of Employment and Open Spaces related projects including those emerging via the Neighbourhood Plan process.

e. PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 11 OCTOBER 2016

The Deputy Mayor proposed, Councillor Purdon seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT** the minutes of the Planning Committee held on Tuesday 11 October 2016.

238/16 HEARTSWELL SOUTH WEST CHARITY CONTRIBUTION

Following consideration Councillor Purdon proposed, Councillor Hawken seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** that a grant of £500 be made to the Heartswell South West Charity in recognition of the work of the charity in supporting the roll out and maintenance of defibrillators in the community.

239/16 PUBLIC HALL PROJECT

Following discussion, Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor Seeva seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the approach taken to project and financial planning.

240/16 COMMUNICATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MUSEUM BUDGET ITEM

Following discussion, Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor Pike seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the £1,960 item of expenditure.

241/16 CO-OPTION VACANCY

Following consideration, Councillor Hawken proposed, Councillor Goldsworthy seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to proceed with advertising the co-option vacancy.

242/16 LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL / RIO

It was clarified that the monitoring of the library service element of the RIO proposal would be undertaken by Cornwall Council in its role as the statutory authority for library provision.

Following discussion, Councillor Pike proposed, Councillor L Shrubsole seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT** the Partnership Agreement which was signed by the Mayor.

243/16 COUNCIL TAX REFERENDUM PRINCIPLES FOR TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS

It was agreed that the Council's response should be circulated to the Cornwall Association of Local Council's CALC and the Member of Parliament.

Following discussion, the Mayor proposed, Councillor Pike seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** that the proposal would be neither proportionate nor sustainable.

244/16 CORNWALL COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS

The information was noted.

245/16 ACCOUNTS

The contract procurement for an item of expenditure dating from April 2012 was raised. Advice would be sought.

The Mayor proposed, Councillor Purdon seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the schedule of payments.

246/16 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR UPDATES

It was noted that Cornwall Council was consulting on the series of proposals referred to as GREG which included governance methodologies within Cornwall Council. This issue included the number of Cornwall Councillors representing Cornwall.

247/16 OTHER REPORTS

None

248/16 CORRESPONDENCE

Hillfort School requested to a letter of support to approach funders including TESCO for provision of allotments in the fields alongside the school. This was agreed.

249/16 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Town Council would be held at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday 6th December 2016.