

MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL
Held at the ST BLAZEY COMMUNITY ROOMS, Station Road, St Blazey, on
Thursday 25th January 2018

Present

Councillor J Anderson – Mayor
 Councillor R Taylor – Deputy Mayor

Councillors

G Allen, R Chamberlain, J Moore, T Nethercott, K Simms and J Taylor.

In attendance: Town Clerk
 Community Warden
 Cornwall Councillor P Giles

1801/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from St Blaise Town Councillors S Ford and Councillor S Wheeler, Cornwall Councillor J Rowse also sent apologies.

1801/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 30th November 2017 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

1801/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

1801/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

1711/08 Councillor R Taylor has sent the Clerk a message from Cornwall Council dated 16th September 2016 that says: We are aware of the signage for the escape lanes and are raising orders to get these replaced/fixed. The escape lane itself will be maintained as part of our Primary Route maintenance programme which runs from October through to January. This work was carried out early 2017.

The wellness café will take place in the over 60's club which Councillor Giles will talk about in her report.

Councillor Giles was told by Cornwall Council that the drains in St Blazey would be cleaned in December 2017 unfortunately they were not but will be cleaned this week.

1711/13 The letter in support of the STaRR project has not yet been sent.

1711/24 Councillor Moore on behalf of Grow St Blazey has applied for funding to work on the Car Park, the letter of support from the TC has not been written yet.

1801/05 **POLICE CRIME FIGURES**

November 2017

Assault	7		
Sexual Offences	5		
Burglary	5		
Criminal Damage	8		
Vehicle Offences	2		
Theft	6		
Public Order	2		
Other Offences	2		
Total	37	November 2016	32
Recorded Incidents	69	November 2016	92

December 2017

	Recorded 12/17	Recorded 12/16	Difference
Violence with Injury	2	9	-77.8%
Violence without Injury	7	3	133.3%
Burglary Dwelling	1	0	-
Burglary Non-Dwelling	1	0	-
Vehicle Offences	4	0	-
Shoplifting	0	7	-100%
Other Theft	2	2	0%
Criminal Damage	12	3	300%
Public Order Offences	6	1	500%
Trafficking of Drugs	1	0	-
Possession of Drugs	4	0	-
Other Offences	0	0	-
TOTAL:	40	25	60.0%

Incidents Recorded

	Recorded 12/17	Recorded 12/16	Difference
Anti-Social Behaviour	22	21	4.8%
Crime Not Recorded	1	1	0%
Crime Recorder	12	11	9.1%
Public Safety	37	37	0%
Transport	17	10	70%
TOTAL:	89	80	11.3%

Councillor Nethercott is concerned that we do not see police patrolling although we know they are in the area as we see the vehicles at the Community Rooms. We see that the crime figures are increasing but this is unsurprising as we had 1 policeman and 4 PCSO's covering the area but now just have 1 policeman and 1 PCSO.

The Clerk was instructed to write to get clarification on the cover for the area.

1801/06 **COMMUNITY WARDEN'S REPORT**

The Warden is up to date with all his work. Unfortunately the week after the Carol Concert, he and Amos Putt had to take down and re-erect the Christmas tree at St Blazey Church. The tree also had to be redecorated after storms brought the tree down and broke it into three pieces. He has now taken down the trees, removed the decorations and disposed of the remains.

The public toilets in Station Road remained open all over Christmas and the bank holidays thanks to Dave who was assisted by John Gronwalt.

After the heavy winds, Dave patrolled the area and collected litter after receiving complaints. He has been busy cleaning the chairs collected from Fowey Mayor Chamber.

Dave told the Council that he believed the van is on its last legs. The starter motor and the clutch are both not working to full efficiency. It is due for its MOT in March and does not believe it is worth spending money on. Earlier this year, as instructed by the council he and the clerk looked to replace the van and found that a 3 year old replacement would cost between £10,000 and £12,000. Dave has found 2013 peugeot Partner 1600 with a long base for £4995 plus vat.

Councillor Chamberlain proposed that the van be purchased, Councillor Nethercott seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed.

1801/07 **CORNWALL COUNCILLOR PAULINE GILES**

After numerous complaints about lorries visiting Travis Perkins, arriving early, waking residents and blocking drives, I met with the Regional Director and some residents on site to iron out the issues. We have, I believe resolved the problems.

I have toured the Incinerator Site at St Dennis and although there has been much controversy regarding it, I was impressed with the facility not only from a working perspective, but also an educational one. Whilst there, a group of children were visiting and learning about the importance of recycling in a fun and interactive way.

Last week, I had a meeting with Doubletrees School, with regards to addressing the residential parking issues on the main A390. It has been agreed to utilise the top 12 parking bays of their car park for permit parking within the hours of 4pm and 8am, weekends and school holidays. This I feel is a great solution to the parking problem, both supplying secure and assured parking for residents, whilst attracting much needed revenue for the school.

I have been asked by the Head Teacher, to request that a member of the Town Council to sit on their Board of Governors. Doubletrees are keen to forge a link, anyone interested, please let me know.

I was contacted by a resident from the houses at the top of Middleway, to say that there was a rat problem, as Cornwall Council no longer deal with pest control, it was agreed that they would send out letters to residents highlighting the importance of keeping their gardens clean and ensuring waste was locked away until bin day.

There is a new over 60s Club starting in St Blazey on Thursday 22 February from 2pm - 4pm at the Football Club. It will cost £2.50 a week, which includes refreshments and entertainment. Betty Hicks, who has set the club up, is hoping to organise Days Out, Lunches Out and all manner of fun things in the future. This is a great new club which will welcome older people from all over the surrounding area. Don't be lonely, go along and make new friends or catch up with old ones.

1801/08 **REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR JORDAN ROWSE**

Councillor Rowse sent the following report.

In December I used some money from my Community Chest to take the Happy Phoenix Club out for Christmas Lunch. The Happy Phoenix Club are an elderly lunch club who meet every Friday at the Burrows Centre.

Whilst we're on the topic of the Burrows, I welcomed the recent decision made by the Town Council that they would now look at costings for the potential extension of the Burrows centre. This is exactly what we need in our area and the Town Council has my full support on this.

PL24 in Bloom had a successful December planting and have now planted the over 3,000 daffodil bulbs, hopefully it won't be long before we see them blooming throughout the St Blaise area. I joined GrowStBlazey with my PL24 in Bloom hat on a couple of weeks ago to tidy up the Polgrean Triangle and planted some bulbs there. It is looking much better.

As I am on the Electoral Review Panel at Cornwall Council I have been spending a lot of time working on this these past couple of months and I just want to let the Town Councillors know that our Community Network Panel has favoured a Cornwall Council Division that keeps the whole of the St Blaise Town Council boundary together. We are favouring a Council submission for our Community Network Area of a St Blaise Division, a Par, Tywardreath and Fowey Division, and a Lanlivery, Luxulyan, Lostwithiel and Lerryn Division. I am sure the Town Council will be pleased to hear this.

A reminder that my next surgery is at Par Library on Saturday 3rd February at 10:30.

1801/09 **COUNCIL REPRESENTATION FOR PL24 IN BLOOM**

Councillor Ryan Chamberlain volunteered for the role of Council representative to the PL24 in Bloom group, all the Councillors agreed. Councillor Simms is also interested and so will also be a representative.

1801/10 **IMPLECATIONS OF LOCALISM AND CORNWALL COUNCIL CUTS**

The Clerk has not heard back from Rachael regarding the fencing at King Edward Gardens to see if this can be repaired before we have the park devolved to us.

1801/11 **LAND REGISTRY SEARCH**

Councillor Chamberlain is concerned about the derelict site in Fore Street, he and the Clerk will look into ownership through the land registry and enquire about future plans.

1801/12 **CO-OPTED MEMBERS TO RECEIVE THE SAME MEMBER'S ALLOWANCE AS ELECTED MEMBERS**

St Blaise Town Council has the right to spend money on anything an individual can spend on due to the Clerk having CILCA certification in the General Power of Competence. Councillor Chamberlain proposed that the TC pay co-opted members the same members allowance as elected members, Councillor Moore seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed.

1801/13 **OVERVIEW OF CAROL CONCERT**

The Council discussed the Carol Concert and it was agreed that the Carol Concert will be on 2nd December at 4.00 pm. The Church will be asked if refreshments can be served afterwards as they were this year. The Mayor said that she felt it had been worthwhile serving them.

1801/14 **PROJECT LIST**

New Community Centre/Burrows Centre – Further to the Council agreeing to obtain new tenders for the extension at the Burrows, our architect has said ; We can arrange to go back out to tender for you, we will send out the same information as before and advise the 3 contractors we would go out to. Council are concerned that this is not following the correct tender process. The Clerk will investigate further.

Our current planning permission expires on 11th September 2018, the architect is concerned that the process from going out to tender to a start on site would be longer than 8 months and so advises that we either renew the application or begin the parking area to enact the planning permission.

Neighbourhood Planning – Councillor Moore told the council that the NP web-site was not being updated. Councillor Nethercott and Councillor Moore have somebody who would be prepared to take over maintenance of the site however the Council do not know how much she would charge.

Councillor Chamberlain said he would be prepared to take on this activity, the Clerk will forward him information and so the Council can make a decision next month.

Councillor Moore has seen Tracy from CRCC who informed her that Ryan Searl who works as a NP advisor from CC can work on the plan for free.

The Environment Agency are arranging an event where many local organisations will be represented in April. Councillor Moore believes the draft plan may be ready for the event.

King Edward Gardens – The Clerk still doesn't know when the gardens will be devolved but will contact our solicitor and Cornwall Council to see if this process could be brought to a conclusion soon.

1801/15 TOWN CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk has received complaints about litter, broken glass, dog mess, food waste etc. between Par Lane and the beach. The Clerk has looked at the area and found it clean except for plastic bottles which she feels is due to recycling bags being turned over in the wind.

A resident of the Mount has complained about Wainhomes road surfacing in the Mount Crescent area. The Clerk and the Warden have visited the area but feel the work is acceptable.

The Clerk has received a letter from Cornwall Council regarding proposals to change car parking charges however there are none within the Towns Boundary.

The Clerk reminded Councillors to forward minutes of meetings that they receive on behalf of the TC.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic

Bridge Street to Porcupine, Tywardreath Highway.

Timing: 25th to 26th January 2018 (22:00 to 06:00 hours)

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic

Location: St Andrews Road, Par.

Timing: 06:00 hours on 10th March 2018 to 06:00 hours on 12th March 2018

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic

Location: B3269 Between Edgecombe Road And Castledore, Castledore and B3269 Between Castledore And Little Pinnock, Castledore and B3269 Between Little Pinnock And Polglaze Farm, Fowey and B3269 Between Polglaze Farm And The A3082 Roundabout At Newtown, Newton.

Timing: 12th to 16th February 2018 (09:30 to 16:30 hours)

1801/16 PLANNING MATTERS

There have been four planning applications received and it was RESOLVED to not object to any of them.

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| PA17/11295 | Extension and alterations to dwelling
14 Pembroke Close
St Blazey |
| PA17/11161 | Outline Planning
With all Matters Reserved: Construction of new dwelling.
Penarwyn House
St Blazey |
| PA18/00107 | Works to fell a Eucalyptus tree tree cover by a TPO
Rosehill House Residential Home
St Blazey |
| PA17/12238 | Use of annexe as residential dwelling.
Land adj to 117 Station Road
St Blazey |

Results Received

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| PA17/09446 | Application for the formation of an “off road” parking space complete with dropped kerb.
18 Doubletrees
St Blazey
APPROVED |
| PA17/10423 | Proposed access improvements.
79 Landreath Place
St Blazey
APPROVED |
| PA17/11295 | Extension and alterations to dwelling
4 Pembroke Close
St Blazey
APPROVED |

1801/17 ALEXANDER HALL

The Clerk has had to have the roof repaired due to many slates coming off the roof during the storms. Fowey Town Council have kindly given us 46 cushioned chairs which will replace the plastic ones at Alexander Hall, The Clerk has written a letter of thanks.

1801/18 **ST BLAZEY COMMUNITY ROOMS**

Unfortunately Memory Matters who have been using the rooms on a Monday have cancelled their booking due to their funding being withdrawn by National Lottery. This is because of lack of members.

1801/19 **ACCOUNTS****December****Payments Received**

Hall Bookings	370.00
Interest	3.31
High Deposit Int	156.72
C/R room hire	46.00
Doubletrees Ct	576.00
High Deposit Int	141.67 11/17

Expenditure

Clerks Wage	1371.85
Wardens Wage	611.74
Broadband	25.00
UK Fuels	60.20
Earl Haig	150.00
HMRC	562.99
CC (pen)	483.00
Eclipse	14.38
Aviva	280.90
Cumbrian CC	174.00
CC Refreshments	11.05
Councillors All	1135.00
Greenbarnes	287.74
MC Band	250.00
ST A Garden	224.89
Pennon Water	14.68
<u>AH</u>	
Bus Rates	285.00
EON	72.00
Pennon Water	122.00
Cleaners Wage	80.53
Chubb (parts)	13.31
Southern Electric	261.41
<u>PC</u>	
Locking	31.00
EDF	9.00
<u>Community Rooms</u>	
Bus Rates	235.98
EDF	110.00

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January**Payments Received**

Hall Bookings	950.00
Interest	2.96
High Deposit Int	
C/R room hire	78.00
J Foye	100.00
LMP	383.90

Expenditure

Clerks Wage	1371.65
Wardens Wage	611.54
Broadband	26.00
UK Fuels	36.20
HMRC	566.39
CC (pen)	483.00
Eclipse	14.38
Aviva	280.90
EDF (fountain)	88.49
Petrol	15.00
CVD	111.60
Kernow Vans	5994.00
Walter Bailey	12.68
DVLA	240.00
<u>AH</u>	
Bus Rates	285.00
EON	59.00
Pennon Water	122.00
Cleaners Wage	72.19
Chubb (parts)	13.31
A Putt	40.00
S Vicary	195.00
<u>PC</u>	
Locking	31.00
EDF	9.00
<u>Community Rooms</u>	
Bus Rates	237.00
EDF	110.00

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All the Councillors RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

1801/20 TOWN BUSINESS

Councillor J Moore reminded the Council that St Blazey Feast Day is 3rd February which this year falls on a Saturday and asked the Council to support the textile fair, the feast parade and the service at the church.

Councillor Chamberlain told the Council that he is looking for places to put Christmas trees around PL24 on behalf of PL24 in Bloom and will look for sponsorship. The Clerk asked if they take on the Christmas trees at the churches as our aging helpers are finding this chore more difficult.

Councillor R Taylor told the Council that Kernow Kick were providing some support to Fourways and that the centre is financially viable to the end of 2018.

Councillor Taylor told the Council that there is to be Flood Warden training at the Burrows Centre on Tuesday 30th January.

Councillor Nethercott told the Council that SABEF are holding an event on March 1st that will introduce a “Thinking Place” tool kit.

Councillor Anderson has been given a photograph of I Carne, the baker who produced the calendars that we display in the Community Rooms. Councillor Anderson would like photos of other prominent local people that we could display.

1801/21 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on 22nd February 2018 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.04 pm.