

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL
Held at the ALEXANDER HALL, St Blazey, on Thursday 25th June 2015**

Present

Councillor J Anderson – Mayor

Councillors

G Allen, R Blackie, G Miller, A Putt, D Scrafton, R Taylor and J Taylor.

In attendance: Town Clerk
Community Warden
Cornwall Cllr R Taylor (incl above)
Cornwall Cllr D Scrafton (incl above)
One member of the public

1506/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor S Wheeler and Councillor A Seel.

1506/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 28th May 2015 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

1506/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

1506/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

1505/20 Cornwall Council have confirmed that the playing field at the end of Ash Grove and Hillside Avenue has been cut this year and that the cutting schedule will continue.

1506/05 **POLICE CRIME FIGURES**

May 2015

	Recorded 5/15	Recorded 5/14	Difference
Violence with Injury	3	2	53.8%
Violence without Injury	5	1	400%
Sexual Offences	3	0	
Burglar Dwelling	1	1	
Burglary Non Dwelling	2	2	
Vehicle Offences	2	2	
Theft	4	4	

Criminal Damage	6	4	50%
Public Order Offences	1	2	-50%
Other offences	1	0	
TOTAL:	28	18	55.6%

Detected 2 Under Investigation 11

Incidents Recorded

	Recorded 5/15	Recorded 5/14	
Anti-Social Behaviour	20	13	53.8%
Crime Recorded	11	8	37.5%
Public Safety	52	21	147.6%
Transport	10	7	42.9%
TOTAL:	93	49	89.8%

1506/06 COMMUNITY WARDENS REPORT

The Warden has finished all the planting of the flower beds and is now watering them regularly. He is continuing to dig out the footpath by Biscovey School and the unpaid work unit are continuing to put in the boarding. Dave has repainted the sign at the Mount and has started the weed killing on the A390 and will continue throughout the remainder of the Town.

1506/07 A REPORT FROM LUCI ISAACSON REGARDING THE LEAF LITTER PROJECT

Luci thanked St Blaise Town Council for their support for her work with the leaf litter project. Luci started the project as part of her climate change research in conjunction with Cornwall Flood Resilience Pathfinder. Luci worked with a total of 140 offenders provided by the probation service. Two reports have been produced; The Leaf Litter Project Toolkit and the Leaf Litter Report Update, both of which would be made available for future use.

Luci has finished her project as funding has ceased but with the use of the toolkit a volunteer could be sought to continue the scheme, Luci would be prepared to continue the scheme acting as project manager if funding was found. The Environment Agency are keen to see the scheme continue.

The leaf litter project produced 9 tons of mulch which was used on Trafalgar roundabout in Truro. The Cornwall Flood Resilience Pathfinder undertook eight projects with £250,000 of funding.

Councillor Anderson thanked Luci for all her work and assured her that it was appreciated by residents of the Town as well as the Councillors. Councillor Scrafton added his thanks and remarked on the significant difference it had made to the Town.

1506/08 A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR ROY TAYLOR

Councillor Taylor told the Council that Wainhomes held an open day at the Burrows where they displayed plans for 95 homes to the rear of Manor View, this is the first phase with a further intention to build an additional 85 homes at a later date.

Councillor Taylor has not been notified of these plans as Planning Permission is yet to be sought.

Councillor Taylor is to have a meeting with SWW and other interested parties at the end of July with the aim of finding a resolution to the flooding problems at Brooks Corner.

Councillor Taylor has received many complaints about the large truck/car transporter that is parking in St Blazey Road by the entrance to the Roundhouse and causing issues for drivers using the road. He is looking into who is responsible.

Recently seagulls have attacked a lot of rubbish on Wednesdays when it is waiting to be collected causing a large amount of mess in Station Road particularly although other areas are also affected. He is locating the residents responsible and asking them to take action to avoid this in future.

Councillor Taylor has received reports of a dog barking in Landreath Place, he is looking into a solution. He had attended Hands Together AGM and as a result there is to be a meeting to discuss the future of the Community Garden, this could be an opportunity to acquire allotment space.

1506/09 A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR DOUG SCRAFTON

Councillor Scrafton is disappointed that the Wainhomes appeal against the refusal of their application to build 44 new houses on land adjacent to Mount Crescent has been upheld by the Inspector.

Councillor Scrafton said that although he had not been approached directly, he understands that Wain Homes also intend to seek planning permission to build up to 180 new houses on land behind the Par Lane and Manor View developments.

Councillor Scrafton has attended his usual round of meetings, including Fourways Youth Club and a meeting of the working group looking at investment projects in the Par Bay area. The report is expected at the end of August.

1506/10 2014-15 ANNUAL AUDIT of ACCOUNTS

The Town Clerk read the report from the internal auditor who high-lighted the amount of new regulation and best practice guidance that requires greater transparency and evidence of good governance. This is reflected in the testing giving a higher level of attention to governance and reviewed annually.

The key conclusions are that all procedures are working as expected and there are no non-compliance issues identified.

The external audit also found no issues of fault or non-compliance.

1506/11 **HISTORIC PICTURES OF ST BLAZEY**

Councillor Srafton and Jenny Taylor have spoken with PBBL to see if they could help with the historic pictures of St Blazey being restored. Councillor Jenny Taylor is to speak with Truro Museum and investigate their restoration.

Councillors Roy Taylor, Jenny Taylor and Doug Srafton left the room.

1506/12 **TO CONSIDER A GRANT OR LOAN FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE BURROWS CENTRE.**

Councillors looked at the Big Leap Forward Fund application form which is for grants up to £40,000. Councillor Blackie proposed that an application be applied for, Councillor Allen seconded the proposal, all were in favour and so it was RESOLVED.

Councillors Roy Taylor, Jenny Taylor and Doug Srafton re-entered the room.

1506/13 **IMPLICATIONS OF LOCALISM AND CORNWALL COUNCIL CUTS**

Our Community Network Manager has confirmed that Cornwall Council are continuing weekly checks at Trailblazer Park. Tasha Davies is also chasing the devolution team with regard to our initial proposal form for the devolution of King Edward Gardens.

1506/14 **TO CONSIDER IF BULL ENGINE PARK AND THE FOOTPATH TO THE REAR OF BISCOVEY SCHOOL SHOULD BE DOG FREE ZONES**

Councillor Blackie believes that the footpath behind Biscovey School and Bull engine Park should be made dog free zones. Councillor Taylor explained that the footpath is a public right of way and therefore has to be dog friendly and Bull Engine Park belongs to Cornwall Council and is not within the powers of the Town Council.

Councillor Blackie asked the Cornwall Councillors if they would investigate the possibility with Cornwall Council, however both declined.

1506/15 **TO CONSIDER A BUS SHELTER FOR MIDDLEWAY**

Councillor Taylor was approached with a request to put a bus shelter in Middleway, this was put on hold until the labour party had installed a seat. The Councillors discussed where a shelter could be put and decided that the small footpath that links Middleway and Old Roselyon Road would be acceptable. The Clerk has found that Cornwall Council currently has some funds for bus shelters.

Councillor Allen proposed that if permission and funding could be sought, a bus shelter should be installed, Councillor Roy Taylor seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1506/16 **EMERGENCY PLANNING**

Cornwall Council are offering grant funding of up to £500 to support the development of their emergency plans. The Clerk has spoken with Charles Richards who believes that the flood plan could be easily adapted but was unsure if Par and Tywardreath would want to partner us with Emergency plans as they do with the flood plan.

Councillor Scrafton proposed that the grant be applied for, Councillor Roy Taylor seconded the proposal, all agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1506/17 **CAROL CONCERT**

A discussion took place regarding a choir for this years Carol Concert. Councillor Jenny Taylor know of a local ladies choir that may be available and will investigate.

As the children are a major part of the Carol Concert and part the reason for there not attending this year is the late night. A discussion took place as to whether the Concert could be rescheduled to the afternoon. This will be investigated.

1506/12 **PROJECT LIST**

Burrows Centre – The Clerk has received plans from Purl Design that divides the roof, the councillors are not happy with these and so the Clerk will ask for them to be amended.

Neighbourhood Planning – We have received the report from the intensive consultation sessions and the next meeting will be at the beginning of August.

1506/19 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT****Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic**

Location: Moorland Road, Par

Timing: 17th June 2015 to 7th July 2015 (09:30 to 16:30 hours) or until the works are complete, whichever is sooner

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.16A

Event: Par Carnival Procession
 Date: 18th July 2015
 Location: Par
 Times: 1730 to 1830 hours

Polmear Hill between the junction of Polmear and property No 2

Polmear for its entire length

Polmear Road for its entire length

Par Green between the junctions of Moorland Road and Polmear Road

Moorland Road for its entire length

Eastcliffe Road between the junctions of Moorland Road and Polmear Road

The Clerk asked if more black sacks should be ordered, Councillor Jenny Taylor said that the Big Ideas Shop were happy to continue selling them. 50 more sacks will be ordered.

The Clerk told the Council that Councillor Putt will have been a member of St Blaise Town Council for twenty years on 29th June 2015.

Par Carnival committee have made arrangements to collect the road closure signs from the Warden, The Clerk asked if he had the Councils permission to give them to them. The council gave permission.

1506/20 **PLANNING MATTERS**

There has been six planning application received and it was RESOLVED to not object to five of them.

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| PA15/03363 | <p>Proposal to use amenity land adjacent to existing youth hostel operation for the temporary provision of a 60 pitch camp site including toilet and shower blocks (4 x toilets and 4 x showers). Pitches are to be un-serviced. Toilets and shower blocks will be connected to mains power, waste and water via above ground service connections from the adjacent hostel site. YHA currently operates camping under a Camping Exemption Licence and this application is to enable YHA to extend camping from the permitted 60 days per year. Proposed operation is from March to October 9(inclusive) ending 31st October 2016. Temporary planning permission is sought for this period.</p> <p>The Eden Project
Bodelva</p> |
| PA15/04638 | <p>Redevelopment of the Cornish Arms to provide eight units of residential accommodation.</p> <p>Cornish Arms
Church Street
St Blazey</p> |
| PA15/05163 | <p>Listed Building Consent
Redevelopment of the Cornish Arms to provide eight units of residential accommodation.</p> <p>Cornish Arms
Church Street
St Blazey</p> |
| PA15/05092 | <p>Application for removal of conditions numbers 2 and 3 (holiday occupancy restrictions) in respect of decision notice</p> |

04/00493 to allow use of 2 holiday cottages as a single residential dwelling.
11 Bodelva Road
Bodelva

PA15/05268 Advert Consent: - 1 No internally illuminated with LED flex face sign and 14 No non illuminated slim frame flex faces.
The Range
Stadium Retail Park.
Par Moor Road
St Blazey

It was RESOLVED to object one of them.

PA15/05389 Outline Planning
Split level house following topography of the site.
Plot 7
Mountlea Drive
St Blazey

The application is for a build on top of an old mine as the sensitive development questionnaire specifies, the mining search says that the mine may have been plugged and unless written proof of this, it is to be considered a hazard. As no proof has been received the Council has no option but to object.

Results Received.

PA15/02998 The erection of three entrance canopies and changes to the market façade including the installation of new windows and weather boarding.
Stadium Retail Park.
Par Moor Road
St Blazey
APPROVED

PA15/03395 Conversion of retail building to a three bedroomed detached dwelling.
Land and Stores to the rear of the Furniture Cellar.
Station Road.
St Blazey
WITHDRAWN

PA15/03610 Subdivision of dwelling into two smaller letting properties.
31 Bridge Street
St Blazey
REFUSED

- PA15/04575 Proposed private domestic dining room and shower room extension.
97 Manor View
St Blazey
APPROVED
- PA15/01671 115 bed sustainable accommodation.
Land South of Vounder Farm
Garker
St Austell
APPROVED
- PA15/02059 Proposed installation of solar arrays supporting a maximum installed capacity of 64.25Wp and associated infrastructure for the purpose of testing and research of smart solar technologies on an area of unused low grade land on the rim of the Eden Project pit.
The Eden Project
Bodelva
APPROVED
- PA15/02983 A new porch extension mainly consisting of double glazing.
53 Trenovissick Road
St Blazey
APPROVED

1506/21 **ALEXANDER HALL**

The Hall continues to be well used.

1506/22 **ACCOUNTS**

June 15

Payments Received

Hall Bookings	642.50
Interest	3.14
High Deposit	137.66 5/15
Black Sacks	35.00
WPD	12.49
SB service station	30.00
Walter Bailey	45.00
Holmbush Windows	35.00

Expenditure

Broadband	37.15
UK Fuels	75.00
Insurance	216.83
HMRC	483.07
CC (pen)	466.14
Clerks Sal	1350.78
Wardens Wage	545.67
Eclipse	14.38
TMS	50.00
Pentewan Nur	92.00
Hay Nursery	88.40
Oakpark Nur	16.00
Warden phone	20.00
Walter Bailey	33.94
Viking	327.62

	Grahams GM	240.00
	Grant Thornton	480.00
	<u>AH</u>	
	SWW	78.50
	EON	74.00
	Cleaners Wage	58.40
	Chubb (parts)	12.78
	CEF	39.65
	SE	157.76
	R Thomas	25.00
	<u>PC</u>	
	Bus Rates	53.00
	Warden	30.00
	CEF	127.52
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940.79		5,193.59

All the Councillors RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

1506/23 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillors Putt has received donations from St Blazey Service Station, Walter Bailey and Holmbush Windows for plants for the planters.

1506/24 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on 30th July 2015 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.09 pm.