

MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL
Held at the ST BLAZEY COMMUNITY ROOMS, Station Road, St Blazey, on
Thursday 28th June 2018

Present

Councillor J Anderson – Mayor
 Councillor R Taylor – Deputy Mayor

Councillors

R Chamberlain, J Moore, T Nethercott, K Simms & J Taylor.

In attendance: Town Clerk
 Community Warden
 Cornwall Councillor J Rowse
 Cornwall Councillor Pauline Giles

Before the meeting began Lisa Solly spoke to the Council regarding the outline planning permission for a single detached dwelling on the land west of Tanglewood, Cornhill.

1806/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from St Blaise Town Councillor S Ford.

1806/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 31st May 2018 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

1806/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

1806/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

1805/17 The Clerk has spoken to the Manager of Co-op, St Blazey who is happy to have recycling receptacle in the car park but the Clerk is having difficulty speaking to the appropriate person at their head office.

1805/18 The Clerk has heard from Cornwall Council that there are two options when considering roundabout maintenance – one is sponsorship and one is adoption. Sponsoring involves the applicant paying a fee to Cornwall Council for them to maintain it on their behalf, and adoption is when a member of your staff or another company is contracted to do the works. The Council doesn't generally enter into adoption agreements in the higher speed heavily trafficked areas, for safety reasons more than anything. Contractors can be used in the lower speed areas, as long as they have the relevant Chapter 8 traffic management qualifications, and they will need to

ensure they have the appropriate Streetworks licence paid for each time they attend to work at the site.

The Clerk said that sponsorship is unacceptable as it would be double taxation and it wouldn't be viable to pay road closures.

The Clerk was asked to put the roundabout back on to July agenda.

1806/05 **COMMUNITY WARDEN'S REPORT**

I have had a busy month planting all the flower beds and weed treating most roads. Edgcombe Terrace is still to be treated as are Harbour Road and Trennovissick Road which are difficult due to parked cars.

I am up to date with all my work and am busy watering the flower beds and keeping the grassed areas cut.

1806/06 **A PRESENTATION REGARDING DIGITAL BANKING**

Michael Watts, the area Manager for Barclays Bank come to speak to the Council about digital banking and problems facing vulnerable people. Barclays Bank have advisors that will help anybody – not just Barclays Customers - who is in danger of scams and will educate groups and support them in any way they can.

Retailers are losing out due to on-line sales, Michael's team can help retailers get on-line and install digital equipment even for the smallest of sales. They also help people with financial difficulties speak to credit unions and similar organisations. The team are keen to encourage contactless collection processes.

The Barclays Team provide a full digital education.

1806/07 **CORNWALL COUNCILLOR PAULINE GILES**

Councillor Giles updated the Council on the StARR project as she had recently attended a meeting with the landowners who will be affected. Sadly some of these residents are not happy to see the land used for the project and want to stop progress. Further talks are planned as the Town needs this project and if it does not progress there will be a detrimental effect for us all.

Councillor Giles and Councillor Rowse met with Ocean Housing regarding the regeneration of Polgrean Place and the Landreath shop block. Both agree the plans are very positive for the residents. Yesterday there was an open day for the residents to speak to Ocean and mainly positive feedback was received.

Unfortunately bad weather has meant that the Festival has had to be postponed until Friday 20th July at 5.00pm at the football club.

St Blazey Recycle Reuse Resale opened its doors two weeks ago. The response has been phenomenal with goods coming in and out daily. It has been a pleasure to help residents purchase goods at an affordable price.

1806/08 REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR JORDAN ROWSE

At the start of this month I met with Cllr Giles and representatives from Cornwall Council to discuss the progress of the StARR project. Following the consultation event at Alexander Hall, the feedback has now been collated and is available on the StARR project page on the Council website as well as the St Blaise Neighbourhood Plan web-site. Whilst we discussed the results, we also discussed the progress of the project as a whole. Be assured that the ball is very much still rolling and lots of hard work is being done behind the scenes.

I was pleased to meet with the Development Director at the Eden Project this month to discuss their geothermal plans. As I reported recently, this is a project that has my support, so it was great to be on site hear Eden's plans for this exciting project going forward.

On the ground, I have a number of complaints about the state of the grass verges, as I did last month. I am pleased that nearly all of my Division has now been done. I appreciate people bringing hedges and verges concerns to my attention, I also can't stress enough how important it is to formally reported with the Council. This can be done easily on the Council's website.

Last week I was pleased to go down to Par Moor and help work on the PL24 Community Association Nature Reserve ready for our first couple of visits which will be from the local scouts and cubs. It was great to get visitors in to the nature reserve and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We have, just in the last day or so, had some sweepings delivered from Imerys to the nature reserve for the paths. I will be using some of this to widen the footpath up at the Mount, so if anyone would like to help me and the residents please do let me know.

PL24 in Bloom are having a Par tidy up on Sunday to get the one-way system ready for the carnival. I know it's not in St Blaise, but any help would be greatly appreciated.

Lastly, some exciting news. For a number of months I have been working incredibly hard behind the scenes to secure the future of Par Library. Many of Cornwall Council's libraries are looking to be devolved, and Par is one of them. The choice is to move the library or lose it. I am pleased to report that I have secured one of Wainhomes' marketing suites by donation. We are hoping to be able to turn it in to a home for the library, based at Par Running Track. This really is fantastic news and the suite is to be delivered tomorrow (Friday). A huge thank you to Wainhomes for donating the marketing suite, and to Par Track Ltd for housing it. Exciting times ahead.

1806/09 APPOINTMENT OF TREE WARDEN

The Clerk told the Council that as we are taking over King Edward Gardens we needed to appoint a Tree Warden. Councillor Jenny Moore volunteered, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1806/10 **CLERKS PAY AWARD**

Due to the Clerk being appointed as GDPR officer, she is now entitled to an extra scale point on the Clerks pay scale. Councillor Moore proposed Clerk be given an extra increment, Councillor Nethercott seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1806/11 **TRAVIS PERKINS TO BE LISTED AS A COMMUNITY ASSETT**

Councillor Moore proposed that the Travis Perkins site be listed as a building of Community Value. Councillor Nethercott seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1806/12 **ST BLAZEY FOUNTAIN TO BE LISTED WITH ENGLISH HERITAGE**

Councillor Moore discussed with the Council the listing of St Blazey Fountain with English Heritage, it was explained that although the Town Council own the Fountain the rest of the triangle which is maintained by Cornwall Council is not registered land. Councillor Moore will register the triangle as an individual with English Heritage.

1806/13 **REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN**

The Council considered the Business Continuity Plans. Councillor J Anderson said that Chairman and Vice Chairman should be changed to Mayor and Vice Mayor and that PC should be changed to TC. Councillor R Taylor proposed that the council make the changes and deem the document acceptable, Councillor Jenny Moore seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED

1806/14 **REPRESENTATIVE OF FRIENDS OF THE ATLANTIC COAST GROUP**

The Clerk has received a letter from Friends of Atlantic Coast inviting the Council to appoint a representative. Councillor June Anderson volunteered, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1806/15 **SPONSORSHIP OF PL24 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION**

Councillor Nethercott told the Councillors that PL24 would be running a children's design a Christmas card competition where the winners would have their cards printed and sold. He asked the Council for a donation towards the cost of the printing and prizes. Councillor Chamberlain proposed that the Council donate 20% of the cost of printing, Councillor Moore seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1806/16 **PROJECT LIST**

New Community Centre/Burrows Centre –

The Clerk has yet to receive a formal fee quotation for the extension at the Burrows.

Neighbourhood Planning – Councillors Jenny Moore and June Anderson attended a NP surgery, and to Councillor Moore's enormous relief that everything she had written (flood amelioration policy, partly draft plan) is acceptable. The flood amelioration policy has been endorsed by those at CC dealing with flood issues, they have made comments and amendments to the flood policy have been made.

The policy, with comments on has been sent out to the working group for comment, some of whom have responded already. There was a meeting of the working group last night, when this was discussed as was the response from Sarah Furley regarding second homes in St Blazey, and other matters.

Councillor Giles flagged up the issue of Rural Exemption Sites, which is a serious one as effectively this could invalidate NPs whose objective is on the whole to protect communities from inappropriate development. Further information on this has been circulated, and how this is dealt with in the plan will have to be considered.

Councillor Moore is working with Alison White of Par and Tywardreath Neighbourhood Plan, to share information

King Edward Gardens – The Clerk is awaiting confirmation that the devolution has been completed.

1806/17 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

Due to the regeneration of Polgrean, the Clerk has asked our position regarding the Wardens garage, the response is that the garages were only considered a couple of weeks ago and Ocean haven't contacted the renters of those yet. They are to be part of phase 2, and so would be looking to take them back around spring 2020. They will try to find us an alternative locally.

The Clerk has received a letter from Cornwall Councils Rural Housing Enabler regarding Community Led Housing Initiatives, the Clerk was instructed to invite him to a future meeting.

1806/18 **PLANNING MATTERS**

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

PA18/04890

Outline Planning Permission with some matters reserved: Erection of a single detached dwelling.
Land West of Tanglewood
Cornhill Road,
St Blazey

PA18/04968	Non-material amendment to increase height of garage apex from 5.075mm to 5472mm, add 2 roof light windows to roof, add circular window above garage door approved under PA17/07663. 45 Rosehill, St Blazey
PA18/02833	Installation of refrigeration plant. Co-op Middleway St Blazey
Results Received	
PA17/04582	Erection of two-storey side extension and extension of dropped kerb to facilitate further parking within front garden. 27 Mountside Road St Blazey APPROVED
PA18/00210	Planning Application to remove top half of wall and replace with frosted glass panels. The Par Inn Harbour Road Par APPROVED
PA18/00241	Listed Building Consent to remove top half of wall and replace with frosted glass panels. The Par Inn Harbour Road Par APPROVED
PA18/04968	Non-material amendment to increase height of garage apex from 5.075mm to 5472mm, add 2 roof light windows to roof, add circular window above garage door approved under PA17/07663. 45 Rosehill St Blazey NOT ACCEPTABLE AS AMENDMENT

1806/19 ALEXANDER HALL-RENT REVIEW

The Councillors discussed a rent review but decided to keep the pricing the same for another year.

1806/20 **ST BLAZEY COMMUNITY ROOMS**

Councillor Moore asked if the Warden could water the Community Rooms Gardens on behalf of Grow St Blazey but was told that the Warden is seriously overburdened at the moment. Councillor Nethercott volunteered his service.

1806/21 **ACCOUNTS****Payments Received**

Hall Bookings	414.00
Interest	2.31
High Deposit Int	188.29
C/R room hire	18.00
WPD	12.49
EDF	4.97

Expenditure

Clerks Wage	1402.20
Wardens Wage	612.34
Broadband	26.00
UK Fuels	57.52
HMRC	595.56
CC (pen)	508.34
WPS	25.00
Nomix	1014.48
SWW- fountain	10.77
NP web-site	70.00
Wisdom Signs	42.00
St Aust Garden Mc	71.40
Hay Nursery	612.00
Warden Equip	77.36
<u>AH</u>	
Bus Rates	221.00
EON	59.00
Pennon Water	122.00
Cleaners Wage	71.93
Chubb (parts)	13.57
EDF	110.00
A Palin	24.00
<u>PC</u>	
Cornwall Council	53.00
Locking	30.00
EDF	9.00
<u>Community Rooms</u>	
Cornwall Council	117.00
EDF	128.00
Fire Crest	53.10

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All the Councillors RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

1806/22 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillor Moore told the Councillors that she was unable to attend the recent Luxulyan Valley Partnership Meeting but was given a report from the Secretary:

Cornwall Council, CHT and the HLF will be issuing a joint statement soon but I can tell you that the second and final amount of money will not be applied for.

Councillors Moore, Anderson and Nethercott attended the Ocean Housing's consultation event yesterday for the regeneration of Polgrea. Councillor Moore said that the plans are impressive and of particular interest is that they have set aside a considerable sum for the 'greening' of Polgrea, particularly along the A390 corridor.

They had had a steady stream of visitors, mainly residents, which allowed for in depth discussions around the project. In the next couple of weeks, a member of Ocean will be spending a couple of days a week in what was the old warden's office, so people can continue to pop in. They have agreed to Neighbourhood Plan material being displayed there.

Councillor Nethercott told the Council that the shop area was to be changed into a Community Hub and he will be speaking with both Ocean and Fourways Youth Centre on how a provision for the younger generation can be fulfilled.

Councillor Roy Taylor told the Council that he had attended the Cornwall Flood Forum, has received complaints about the weeds in Landreath Place and that Fourways have applied to Children in Need and Reaching Communities for grants.

PART TWO – ITEMS OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE TO BE DEBATED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PUBLIC as per Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

1806/23 CO-OPTION OF A NEW TOWN COUNCILLOR

1. To resolve to exclude the press and public for items of a confidential nature.

It was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public.

2. Co-option of Town Councillor.

After discussion it was RESOLVED to co-opt Amy Pearce to the Town Council.

1806/24 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on 26th July 2018 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.59 pm.