

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL  
Held at the ALEXANDER HALL, St Blazey, on Thursday 24th September 2009**

**Present**

Councillor J Anderson – Chairperson

**Councillors:**

G Allen, D Scrafton, D Goddard, R Heyward, D Hooper, A Putt & G Miller

**In attendance:** Town Clerk  
Cornwall Councillor Roy Taylor  
Cornwall Councillor David Hughes  
PC Toms  
1 Member of the press

At the start of the meeting, the Chairman welcomed Councillors Heyward and Scrafton back to the Council.

0909/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies had been received from Councillor Gill and Councillor Seel.

0909/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> August 2009 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

0909/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest on items on the Agenda or of gifts of a value greater than £25.

0909/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

Minute 0906/08 The Council visited Imerys Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September where they were given a presentation of the safety measures in place and a tour of the docks, the Council are satisfied that the measures in place are sufficient. Imerys asked that if we any concerns in the future to speak with them at the soonest opportunity.

Minute 0907/13 Eden will be planting the planters at the end of Station Road in the near future.

Minute 0908/14 The Clerk has received a reply from Phil Mason over the concerns that our objections on safety concerns were not considered on a planning application. We have been assured that this will not happen again.

Minute 0908/16 Highways have informed us that no white lines are put in roads of less than 5.5meters in width. St Blazey Road has not had the white lines replaced at the request of our Cornwall Councillor.

The Clerk has spoken with LMP about the footpath from Par Moor Lane across the golf course to Fishermans rock is not being cut by them but will add it to our agreement if we wish to undertake it. The Council agreed that this should be done if E Veerman is in agreement.

#### 0909/05 **POLICE CRIME FIGURES**

August 2009

	Committed	Detected		Committed	Detected
Assault	5	5	Burglary	0	0
Burglary other	1	0	Theft of M/V	1	0
Vehicle Crime	5	0	Theft	2	0
Damage	2	0	Drugs	0	0
Other	6	2			
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Total	22	7			

#### 0909/06 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR DAVID HUGHES**

Councillor Hughes reported that his comments to the Boundary Commission have been accepted.

Tywardreath and Par Council have met with Cornwall Council regarding Par Beach and are hopeful of positive news by Christmas.

Councillor Hughes attended the Eco Town presentation by Orascom, a Swiss company that will be the developers and was pleased by their positivity.

#### 0909/07 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR ROY TAYLOR**

Councillor Taylor had also attended the Orascom presentation and had found it very interesting but was keen that they learn more about the area.

Councillor Taylor had attended the Hands Together Meeting and was concerned that this year's funding had not been received from Cornwall Council, he will be investigating.

#### 0909/08 **OVERVIEW OF TOWN PLAN**

Councillor Scrafton is busy compiling the comments returned in the Town Plan and believes that we have some very positive feedback to work with.

0909/09 **DONATION TO EARL HAIG POPPY APPEAL & LAYING OF WREATH**

It was RESOLVED that the Town Council give a donation of £80.00 to the Earl Haig Poppy Appeal, Councillor Anderson will lay the wreath at the service at St Blazey Church on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am.

0909/10 **ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL CAROL CONCERT.**

It was agreed that our two Cornwall Councillors should do two of the readings at this years Carol Concert; Councillor Gill will read the third.

Councillor Putt proposed that the hog roast be free at this years reception at the Football Club after the Concert, Councillor Miller seconded, the Council agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

0909/11 **INTERNAL CONTROLS.**

The Clerk asked the Council to consider whether adequate internal controls are in place and that they accept the responsibility of safeguarding public money. The Council considered the Risk Assessment, Minute Book, Attendance Book, Declarations of Interest, Accounts are being verified correctly, enough insurance is in place, banking arrangements are acceptable, approved the direct debits, variable and static. All agreed the Internal Controls are acceptable.

0909/12 **PROJECT LIST**

**New Community Centre** – The Clerk has spoken to Colin Whitehead who will arrange a meeting with Ed Thomson to proceed with funding and plans for an extension for the use of St Blaise Town Council.

0909/13 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk has received a proposal to drop the speed limit from 50mph to 40mph between St Blazey Gate and St Austell Garden Centre, the Council were unable to agree and so will reply with unsure.

The Clerk has received a letter about the review of Designated Public Places, the council discussed if any further areas of St Blazey needed to be made alcohol restriction zones and as Councillor Taylor will be putting Manor View and Polgrean place forward they did not feel they needed to submit any others.

**Section 21 - Town Police Clauses Act 1847 – issue of road closure Order**

<b>Event:</b>	<b>THE EDEN PROJECT MARATHON &amp; HALF MARATHON</b>
<b>Road to be closed:</b>	<b>BODELVA ROAD, ST BLAZEY</b>
<b>Dates &amp; Timings:</b>	<b>11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2009 – 10.25-10.40</b>

0909/14 **PLANNING MATTERS**

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

- 09/01141      Full Planning  
Conversion of former St Blazey and Par St Johns Ambulance HQ to hair and beauty salon with wellness centre.  
Former St John Ambulance HQ  
Harbour Road  
St Blazey
- 09/01113      Full Planning  
Two storey extension.  
21 Deeble Drive.  
St Blazey
- 09/01121      TPO  
Works to Beech Tree.  
Roselyon Cottage  
4 St Blazey Road  
St Blazey

The Planning Committee had a meeting with CSA architects on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September, those present were Jeremy Bradley, Rachel Knight and Graham Rowe from CC. St Blaise Town Council were represented by Councillors Heyward, Anderson and Gill, the Clerk was also present.

CSA Architects were appointed by Cornwall Council to appraise various sites around Cornwall after an advert was put in local papers in October/November 2007 asking land owners for sites that affordable housing could be built. This is an experimental project of which the land to the rear of Rose Hill is the first to be explored. The intention is to start a community led affordable housing scheme.

Cornwall Council need to maintain a housing supply for local people as housing associations do not have homes available, Ocean Housing suggest that there is a need for a further 300 affordable homes in the St Blazey area alone. Martin Dunn from South West Water says that the 9 hectares in question could support 40-60 houses of this an amount would be affordable.

Departure Schemes are now being looked into, these are areas outside the development envelope, these schemes encourage affordable housing but need assent from Government Office South West. They look at alternative methods of financing new homes such as self build and subsidised cross building.

The next step for the Kittow family is to involve Cornwall Council Highways in junction designs, the family want assurance that before they undertake this expense they have the town councils support and that they will not be wasting their money.

Graham Rowe explained that although the site is Greenfield, agricultural land is graded and low graded Greenfield sites are now being considered for housing due to the lack of housing

land. Brown field is not generally considered due to the cost of remedial work which then would make any housing not affordable.

Councillor Anderson drew to Jeremy Bradley's attention that there was a mineshaft on the site. The Clerk will forward Councillors Seel's initial concerns over the feasibility report and high-light the errors and points that need clarifying as follows.

The report refers to the areas Rose Hill Road, the area is Rose Hill. The Location is between Rose Hill and Middleway not Rose Hill and Par Lane, the report refers to the areas of St Blazey, St Blazey Gate and West Par, we are unaware of any area known as West Par. It refers to a 1960 development, we have a 1930 development and a 1970 development, we want clarification of the area being referred to. The report says that there is no conservation areas in the area, Fore Street and Station Road are conservation areas. We would like it high-lighting that there are ongoing problems in the area with foul and Storm water. The report states incorrectly that there is no gas in the area and that the proposed site entrance is between Rose Hill, Doubletrees and Middleway not Par Lane.

We have let the architects know that local residents have already voiced their concern about this proposal and that the planning committee had a brief discussion and that the entrance to the site was the main concern.

The Council planning committee will discuss this further and report back to the Council at next months meeting.

Planning Applications results received.

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| 09/00789 | Full Planning – Change garage into living accommodation.<br>44 Treryn Close<br>GRANT PERMISSION  |
| 09/00886 | Full Planning – Replace garage with 2 storey extension.<br>64a Polgover Way<br>WITHDRAWN         |
| 09/00911 | Full Planning – Convert Chapel to dwelling.<br>The Old Chapel, Biscovey Road<br>GRANT PERMISSION |
| 09/00925 | TPO – Fell monteray pine.<br>East of Penarwyn House<br>GRANT CONSENT                             |

#### 0909/15 ALEXANDER HALL

The Clerk asked if a further four tables could be purchased, the Council agreed.

0909/16 **ACCOUNTS**

September 09

**Income**

Hall Bookings	159.00
Interest 8/09	3.27
LMP	200.00

**Expenditure**

Insurance	144.20
SWW	54.50
Community Charge	83.00
Electricity	37.00
HMRC	174.55
CCC	325.60
Broadband	29.50
Cleaner	100.50
St Blazey Church	75.00
KDS	50.00
Window Cleaning	37.50
Training	82.50
Viking	70.91
Clerks Sal	942.82

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The council RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

0909/17 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillors Goddard reported an electricity pole in Par Lane which had loose wires hanging from it, The Clerk will report this.

Councillor Putt asked the Clerk to report that the new rails on the bridge at the rear of Somerfield's are loose.

Car parking at the bottom of the Mount between Par Lane and Harbour Road is an increasing problem, the Clerk will ask parking enforcement to visit the area.

0909/18 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be 29<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm.