

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL  
Held at the ALEXANDER HALL, St Blazey, on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2016**

**Present**

Councillor J Anderson – Mayor  
Councillor R Taylor – Deputy Mayor

**Councillors**

G Miller, A Putt, A Seel, J Taylor and S Wheeler.

**In attendance:** Town Clerk  
Cornwall Cllr R Taylor (incl above)  
One member of the public  
2 residents of Doubletrees Court

1609/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cornwall Councillor Doug Scrafton, St Blaise Town Councillors G Allen and J Moore.

1609/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 25<sup>th</sup> August 2016 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

1609/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no expressions of interest on items on the Agenda.

1609/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

1608/10 The Clerk has tried to contact Esther O’Bearagh regarding a recycling receptacle giveaway but they keep missing each other.

1608/12 Letters of thanks have been received for donations from Shelter Cornwall, Merlin MS, Victim Support and Cornwall Air Ambulance.

1608/18 The Clerk reported the light in Piggy Alley which appears to be responding with a delay, however All Connections say that it is because it is slightly lighter in that part of the area and therefore slower at responding.

1609/05 **POLICE CRIME FIGURES**

August 2016

	Recorded 8/16	Recorded 8/15	Difference
Violence with Injury	7	1	600%
Violence without Injury	2	2	-
Rape	1	0	-
Other Sexual Offences	1	0	-
Burglary Dwelling	1	1	0%
Burglary non-Dwelling	0	1	-100%
Vehicle Offences	1	2	-50%
Shoplifting	1	1	-
Other Theft	4	4	0%
Criminal Damage	3	4	-25%
Public Order Offences	2	1	100%
Possession of Drugs	0	2	-100%
Other Offences	1	1	0%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20%</b>

Incidents Recorded

	Recorded 8/16	Recorded 8/15	Difference
Anti-Social Behaviour	11	13	-15.4%
Crime Not Recorded	2	1	100%
Crime Recorded	12	10	20%
Public Safety	43	33	30.3%
Transport	11	8	37.5%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>21.5%</b>

1609/06 **COMMUNITY WARDENS REPORT**

Dave Pearce is up to date with feeding and watering the flowers, the cleaning and painting of the bus shelters, all weed treatment and footpath maintenance.

Dave and Councillor Putt have been busy working at the Community Rooms, the wall has been taken down, the carpet has been taken up, the painting has nearly been finished in the large room.

1609/07 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR ROY TAYLOR**

I have attended various transport meetings including Transportation PAC briefing on parking.

I also and examined Par Consols mining records at and around the Mount that in turn contributed to the defeat of the Wain Homes Mountside development plans at the subsequent Strategic Planning meeting by 13 votes to 3 with 1 abstention.

I attended and spoke at Cabinet getting the Par Lane irresponsible parking and lack of yellow line situation aired on the webcast.

I attended a Communities PAC and another of PAC chairs with the Cabinet where I aired the lack of local members' highway schemes yet again.

I participated in Devolution and Governance briefings, a meeting of Cornwall Community Flood Forum and a meeting on the St Blazey Neighbourhood Plan and held a councillors advice surgery.

I have attended a Hands Together meeting and the latter stages of the Landreath Street Party, a Fourways management meeting, a Burrows Board, a Roundhouse Board and a PBBL meeting as well as the AGM of Grow St Blazey.

New signage is now in place on Cornhill Road. "Unsuitable for HGV s" at the top and two visual signs indicating the same at the bottom. Although the signs are back in place diverting traffic away from Prideaux Road I have been assured that signage has been changed at Dobwalls so that Eden traffic is directed down the A38 rather than A390. Feedback I have had indicates that this time the impact on St Blazey is a lot less.

A brief burst of heavy rain last Saturday evening forced up manhole covers allowing sewage onto the street again in the lower part of Par Lane. The road at Brook's Corner had standing "water" for a while. Thankfully, no properties were flooded.

Bramble and other weed growth continues to be an issue across my division. Ocean have cleared some weed growth on Par Lane and I have been out cutting brambles that homeowners don't.

The road at Kilhallon is still closed and I am still assured will be reopened before the given date. Originally 20th May to 27th July 2016 now extended until 14th October 2016(24 hours, weekends included).

#### 1609/08 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR DOUG SCRAFTON**

Councillor Scrafton is unwell and so there is no report.

#### 1609/09 **THE FUTURE GRASS CUTTING ARRANGEMENTS FOR DOUBLETREES COURT**

Two residents from Doubletrees Court asked if we would continue with the grass cutting of their Green for another year. Councillor R Taylor proposed that we renew the arrangement for the year at the same cost, Councillor Wheeler seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

#### 1609/10 **ST BLAZEY COMMUNITY ROOMS**

The police removed the telephone lines by 5<sup>th</sup> September but unfortunately did not removed the alarms which hindered progress. Councillor Putt arranged for All Connections Electrical to move the heaters etc so allow work to begin. Councillor Putt

and the Warden have removed the wall that will make the main room larger and made good and have nearly finished painting the main room.

A Carpenter has removed the old kitchen cupboards and the Clerk has received a quote for £485.37 for new. All the Councillors agreed with quote and so it was agreed to proceed.

A plumber has removed the under counter water heater which was leaking and the Clerk has been quoted £199.97 + labour to have this replace. The Council agreed that this should go ahead.

The Clerk is waiting for a quote from a fire alarm company and was told to act as necessary.

#### 1609/11 **IMPLICATIONS OF LOCALISM AND CORNWALL COUNCIL CUTS**

The Clerk has been informed that the transfer of King Edward Gardens from Cornwall Council to St Blaise Town Council has gone through the Strategic Devolution Group. This is a group of officers from Localism, Environmental, Legal, property etc. who look at the Initial Proposal form submitted and decide whether to take the request to the next stage. KEG has been through this process and given the go ahead.

The next step is for a Director's report which is being written for final approval. This report details things such as the Cory costs (waste), the Forestry Officer's report, any comments property and the rest of the Environment team may have, legal also have an input for a Director to agree.

CC are still working through the 16/17 programme – which includes KEG – and are hopeful to get it through by November/December.

The St Blazey, Fowey and Lostwithiel Community Network Panel have awarded us £5,000 from the Local Devolution Fund for legal costs and maintenance work.

#### 1609/12 **TO RE-ALLOCATE FUNDS FROM PAR & TYWARDREATH COUNCIL TO THE RUNNING TRACK GROUP FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE SK8 SKATE PARK WHEN COMPLETD**

It is the intention is for the newly formed Par Running Track Group to take over the track and surrounding facilities from April 2017. This has been agreed by all concerned and will include the skateboard park project. In the circumstances, it seems inappropriate for the Town Council to commit itself to help fund maintenance of the skateboard park for an indefinite period as agreed at the meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2013, as this ought to become the responsibility of the running track group.

Councillor Seel proposed that the agreed grant be veered to the Par Running Track group for a period of two years once built, Councillor Putt seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1609/13 **PROPOSED CLOSURE OF TELEPHONE BOXES IN ST BLAZEY**

BT have written to CC as part of the formal consultation process regarding the current programme of intended public payphone removals. BT advise that, overall use of payphones has declined by over 90 per cent in the last decade and the need to provide payphones for use in emergency situations is diminishing all the time, with at least 98 per cent of the UK having either 3G or 4G coverage.

BT are proposing to close the telephone box at Landreath Place which was used 64 times in the past year, Station Road used 449 times and Middleway 9 times in the same period.

Councillor R Taylor proposed that we object to the closure of Station Road telephone box, give our concerns regarding Landreath Place and agree to the removal of Middleway, Councillor Seel seconded the proposal, all the Councillor agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1609/14 **PROJECT LIST**

**Neighbourhood Planning** – The results of the Local Plan have said that if the Par Docks Development does not go ahead within a certain amount of time, the 300 homes designated for the site will be spread across our Community Network Area.

**Burrows Centre** – No Action.

1609/15 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

The below event road closure request has been received.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, S.16A, Event: Eden Marathon, Date: 16th October 2016, Times: 09:30 to 16:00

The below request has been approved.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic, Location: Beach Road, Carlyon Bay & School Road, St Austell (works to be carried out in phases), Timing: 3rd to 28th October 2016 (24 hours weekends included).

The Clerk has received a request from St Blazey and District Town Team for sponsorship of their Annual Xmas Card Competition, the Clerk was instructed to give them £50. Local Government Act 1972,ss 15(5)and 34(5).

1609/16 **PLANNING MATTERS**

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

PA16/05797	Installation of a garden retaining wall with fence on to create a level side garden. 74 Manor View St Blazey
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PA16/08019	Listed Building Consent To re-instate chimney stack and pot. 4 Station Road St Blazey
PA16/08040	Variation of Conditions Condition 4 (location and extent of retail floor space) and 7 (hours of opening) of PA15/03017 Cornish Market World Par Moor Road
PA16/08115	Change of use of part of market to a mixed use comprising A1 sales and service units, A3 hot food preparation and sales with bar and off sales, with occasional entertainment, and as a heritage centre. Cornish Market World Par Moor Road
Decisions Received	
PA16/07234	Proposed closure of fish & chip shop takeaway and the conversion of the sales and preparation area to living accommodation in addition to the existing ground and 1 <sup>st</sup> floor living accommodation. 5 Station Road St Blazey APPROVED
PA16/07376	Change of use and renovation of Biscovey Social Club to create 2 x 1 bed self-contained apartments. Biscovey Sports Club St Austell Road, St Blazey WITHDRAWN
PA16/05624	Construction of decking providing external eating area. Cornish Market World Stadium Retail park Par Moor Road APPROVED
PA16/04955	Hybrid Planning Application comprising: Outline planning application (all matters reserved apart from access) for 5.44ha of land for approximately 103 dwellings, extension to Kingdom Hall for additional parking, 2,500m <sup>2</sup> of allotments, provision of school drop off with turning facilities including additional parking for allotments, in addition to footpath/cycle connection

from Mountside Road to Lamellyn Road and detailed application for 86 no residential dwellings with associated access roads, footways, parking, landscaping, drainage and open spaces.

Land North of Mountlea Drive

Mountside Road

St Blazey

REFUSED

#### Pre-Application Advice

PA16/02422/PREAPP Advice for Hangloose Adventure – retrospective permission for freefall deck, geodesic dome, adventure tower and site works. Proposed aerial trekking course, vertigo swings, slide, new toilet block and site works.

The Eden Project

#### 1609/17 ALEXANDER HALL

The rotten barge boards, the guttering and down pipes have been replaced.

#### 1609/18 ACCOUNTS

##### Payments Received

Hall Bookings	694.00
Interest	0.79
High Deposit Int	
Precept	38625.00
CTS Grant	4328.81
Luxulyan PC	400.00

##### Expenditure

Clerks Wage	1351.57
Wardens Wage	568.47
Broadband	34.78
UK Fuels	36.01
Insurance	246.52
HMRC	552.86
CC (pen)	487.14
Eclipse	14.38
Wisdom Signs	342.00
Walter Bailey	29.85
SE Smith	71.94
Viking	292.77
Greenbarnes Ltd	939.02
St Austell GM	558.36
Donations	700.00
<u>AH</u>	
SWW	81.00
EON	51.00
Cleaners Wage	62.70
Chubb (parts)	13.02
Southern Electric	146.64
R & S Windows	33.00
S Vicary	565.00
<u>PC</u>	

Business Rates	53.00
Locking	30.00
British Gas	51.18

St Blazey CommunityRooms

Trago Mills	485.37
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Travis Perkins	30.56
Allen's Locksmith	170.00
Wisdom Signs	168.00
All Connections	306.29
Coode's	7.00

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All the Councillors RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

1609/19 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillor Taylor reported that the last light between the Co-op and the bridge is not working. Gaynor will report this to head office.

1609/20 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.