

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL  
Held electronically on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020.**

**Present**

Councillor J Anderson – Mayor  
Councillor R Taylor – Deputy Mayor

**Councillors**

R Chamberlain, J Moore, A Seel, K Simms and J Taylor

**In attendance:** Town Clerk  
Cornwall Councillor J Rowse  
Tasha Davis

2009/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from St Blaise Town Councillor T Nethercott and Cornwall Councillor P Giles.

2009/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> August 2020 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

2009/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

2009/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

2008/05 The Warden has put down weed killer around the post box at Landreath and returned to dig them out.

2008/14 The Clerk has written to Ocean asking if CCTV could be incorporated into the Polgrean build but has yet to receive a response

2008/20 The Clerk has written to Home Choice regarding concerns that Home Choice will place residents from out of County into St Blazey once the Polgrean Development has been completed. The Clerk has yet to receive a reply.

2009/08 Further to the Town Council's expression of interest forms being submitted for the Highways Scheme, Tasha Davies, the Community Link Officer has returned with the following recommendations:

To request the Network Panel commit some funds for a review of the whole of Old Roselyon Road with an agreed sum to complete any options identified. If Town Council is happy with this approach, I would suggest to the Panel (assuming they are

supportive) that £4k is agreed and, if more is needed, an agreement via email be reached rather than having to wait for the next Panel meeting. This would be better value as it would also address your submissions as follows:

- Bus parking bay
- Old Roselyon Road bus stop
- Old Roselyon Road – Polgover Way
- Middleway – Roselyon Road

The St Blaise Town Councillors agreed.

In addition to Town Council's submission, we have also received a request from a member of the public to look at parking issues within the turning circle at Helleur Close. This would also be included within this review.

Rosehill: It is a possibility that there are historic lines here and she is going to check to see that they haven't just faded.

Par Lane – Penarwyn Road: In addition to Town Council's submission for DYL at the junction, we have also received a complaint about parking along the road. Tasha Davies asked if the Town Council would support the road being reviewed in its entirety, similar to Old Roselyon Road, St Blaise Town Councillors agreed.

Par Lane – speeding. It was explained that speed monitoring was carried out along Par Lane during April 2018 which showed the 'mean' speeds at well below the limit – 23.7 and 24.7 mph. Even the fastest speeds recorded were below at 28/29 mph. If this is a priority for the Town Council we can request further speed monitoring to support the application to the Panel. Councillors asked for additional monitoring.

## 2009/05 **COMMUNITY WARDEN'S REPORT**

Grass cutting is up to date at Trailblaiser Park, King Edward Gardens, Doubletrees and Piggy Alley however several times I have had to pick up glass at Trail Blaser Park. More of the Local Maintenance Partnership work has been carried out and all the Planters are still being watered and fed daily.

I would like to remove the Palm Trees from the planters at the end of Station Road and replace them with an evergreen plant.

I have painted the posts at the entrance to Rundles Walk on the A390. I have put all the new flood signs together and they are now in the Lock up.

Councillors agreed to new evergreen plants at the end of Station Road.

## 2009/06 **REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR PAULINE GILES**

I recently attended a StARR meeting, and I am pleased that things seem to be finally moving in the right direction.

A gentle reminder that it's the bi-monthly online Network Panel meeting on Monday 28 Sept 6pm. I cannot emphasise enough how useful it is.

This month we are very lucky to welcome Ruth Goldstein from Public Health, which in light of the recent announcements from Government and the increase in recorded Covid 19 cases, will be quite pertinent to us all. We will also be discussing the importance of Emergency Plans for Town and Parish Councils. Also under discussion will be Yr3/4 Highways schemes, yellow lines being the top of the list.

I was pleased to attend a meeting with Jordan to discuss Par Moor Road improvements and delighted that we may be able to offer cyclists a safe lane from the Brit to Par and hopefully St Blazey in the future.

We had a very productive meeting of the PL24 Community Association last night. We need residents to come forward and help with events to grow our community, do as little or as much as you want, we would be glad to see you.

On Tuesday we had Full Council, one of the topics discussed was the Conservative White Paper on Planning. Like most papers, there are good and bad ideas in it, that is why it has been released as a consultation paper. Residents have until Thursday 29 October to read the paper and make their views known. If many object to certain parts of it, it is more likely to be changed.

#### 2009/07 **REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR JORDAN ROWSE**

I was pleased to hear all children returned to Biscovey Infants and Biscovey Academy safely this month. This has no doubt been a challenging year for the children and returning back to school was no doubt an exciting and overwhelming experience for them. I wish the new Headmaster of Biscovey Academy, Mr Josh Tyers, all the very best for this school year.

Ocean have been making steady progress with the remediation of properties affected by mine workings at Lesnewth over the last few months. I am pleased to confirm that remediation of these properties seems to be best way forward. Ocean and I are both hugely relieved that we won't have to demolish these homes and that a faster, more affordable option now seems feasible. Ocean are liaising with affected residents to update them on this latest news. Whilst extensive investigation have taken places across the site Ocean can't guarantee that further mining features won't materialise in the future, but they certainly hope this won't be the case and will be doing all they can to prevent any further subsidence.

I was recently disappointed to see the state of the two memorial benches up at the Mount. I would be grateful if the Town Council would work with me to explore the option of the replacing these with two new benches respecting that they are memorial benches with memoriums.

I am pleased to confirm that progress is being made with plans to upgrade the stretch of the South West Coast path by Spit Beach. I have worked with Cornwall Council to ensure that this stretch is one of two stretches of the coastal path that will be upgraded this year. The plan is to cut back the vegetation by the docks to allow some light on to the path. Take down the ugly metal wire fence and replace it with a wood fence and to

resurface and widen the footpath. The works will be carried out without the need to close the path; resurfacing will follow completion of this work.

Revised plans for the long-awaited Carlyon Bay beach development have been released by CEG and as two of the beaches at Carlyon Bay fall in the St Blaise parish – this is very relevant to us. A new, updated planning application is expected to be submitted for the development in November which include a 361-unit beachside village at the site of the former Cornwall Coliseum.

CEG said: “Approved plans for the much-anticipated Carlyon Beach development are being revised and concentrate on Crinnis Beach and Shorthorn Beach. This will comprise of a beachside village of up to 361 homes with easy access to the two-mile stretch of sand at Carlyon Bay.

The primary objective of the fresh approach is to move the sea wall back to create a dune sea defence. The softer sea defence to be planted with marram grass, sea couch and other self-colonising plants that will provide a habitat for wildlife, while its revised location further inland will have less impact on the beach. The completed scheme will provide a great boost to the local economy and CEG are excited to share these numerous improvements with the public. Public access will remain to the beach via the steps and along the public right of way.

#### 2009/08 **CLERKS PAY AWARD**

The Clerk told the Council that the National Joint Council for Local Government Services has agreed a 2.75% increase in Clerks salary for 2020/21. The Clerk will go onto Scale Point 32. Councillor R Taylor proposed that St Blaise Town Council give the pay award, Councillor J Moore seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

#### 2009/09 **GRASS CUTTING AT DOUBLETREES**

The residents from Doubletrees Court asked if we would continue with the grass cutting of their Green for another year. Councillor A Seel proposed that we do not renew the arrangement, Councillor R Chamberlain seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

#### 2009/10 **IMPLICATIONS OF CORNWALL COUNCIL CUTS AND LOCALISM**

There has been no further impact on the Town Council.

#### 2009/11 **TO REVIEW THE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

The clerk distributed the Financial Regulations. Councillor J Taylor proposed that the current document be accepted without change, Councillor A Seel seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

2009/12 **ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE RISK ASSESSMENT**

The clerk distributed the Risk Assessment. Councillor R Taylor proposed that the current document be accepted, Councillor Jenny Moore seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

2009/13 **TO REVIEW THE BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN**

Councillors considered the Business Continuity Plan which the Clerk had amended to include a Pandemic, Councillor R Taylor proposed that the current document be accepted, Councillor Jenny Moore seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

2009/14 **TO REVIEW THE RETENTION OF RECORDS POLICY**

The Council considered the Retention of Records Policy. Councillor R Taylor proposed that the current document is accepted, Councillor Jenny Moore seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED

2009/15 **TO REVIEW THE PUBLICATION SCHEME**

The Council considered the Publication Policy. Councillor J Taylor proposed that the document be accepted, Councillor Jenny Moore seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

2009/16 **BURROWS CENTRE UPDATE**

The Town Council's solicitor has found an issue with the lease between The Burrows Centre Ltd and Bright Eyes which he has brought to their solicitor's attention and is waiting for a reply.

2009/17 **DONATION TO EARL HAIG POPPY APPEAL**

Councillor Seel proposed a donation of £165 to the 2020 Appeal, Councillor J Taylor seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

2009/18 **ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL CAROL CONCERT**

Councillors agreed that due to Covid 19 This year's Carol Concert would be cancelled.

2009/19 **ART WORK INSTALLATION**

The land at the entrance to Aberdeen Close which is needed for the StARR project is privately owned and Cornwall Council may have to acquire it as part of ongoing negotiations. If this should happen, it may an easier route to do something more creative/long term with the community. The proposed artwork by Robin Sullivan, representing St Blazey's pre and industrial historic past is progressing in terms of raising funding.

Councillor Moore are asked the Council to agree in principle to the Installation of the artwork there. Currently the plan is that there will be no cost to the TC. All the Councillors agreed.

## 2009/20 **PROJECT LIST**

### **Neighbourhood Planning –**

Now that all the Councillors have seen the final draft of the Neighbourhood Plan, Chairman June Anderson thanked Councillor Moore for all her hard work putting the document together. All the Councillors also expressed their sincere gratitude.

The Neighbourhood Plan is now ready for pre submission consultation, and the Council are asked to agree that this should take place. Obviously, in the current circumstances, the normal consultation routes are not possible. Therefore a strategy has to be devised. Please see below the comments from Sarah Furley who manages NPs for Cornwall Council:

The minimum length for the consultation is still six weeks but most groups have been increasing the length of consultation. This has been to allow for adaptations to compensate for the inability to put copies of the documents in public places and to hold public events. Some have extended the consultation to 12 weeks although most are now reduced that to 10 weeks as the restrictions have eased slightly. The idea of the extension is to allow time for people to request hard copies, if required, and for these to be sent out.

Some areas have not extended the length of their consultation, but they sent a copy of the NDP to each household. Most groups also replace the lack of public events and exhibitions with a commitment to answer queries by phone or email. The other key constraint is making sure that everyone is aware or has the opportunity to be aware of the consultation and will have to show that steps have been taken to try to publicise the consultation in a way that acknowledges the restrictions. This may be sending a postcard to each property.

There are 3090 addresses in St Blazey. When we have decided what to put on the post card we can proceed and have had information that each postcard postage will be 37p. Councillor Moore asked that we proceed. Councillor Moore asked the Councillors if she could proceed. All the Councillors agreed.

### **Devolution of Play Areas**

Tasha Davis has proposed that further to discussions since the last Town Council meeting with colleagues from Environment Service's and has been asked to discuss if the Town Council would be willing to take on this section of path, at the northern end of the site at Polgover Way for an additional £2k to assist with future costs towards maintenance of this area.

The rationale to include this additional area within the wider package is that Cornwall Council are trying to avoid being left with piecemeal land holdings that still require us to put resource to inspect and maintain. CC have adopted the 2 other paths as marked

on your map as we discussed so they will remain with CC and are part of the highways inspection process. The Clerk highlighted that one was a road and so had to be adopted by CC.

The northern path is not adopted and Environment would need to send someone specifically to inspect that small section which is not an efficient use of resource for the public purse. CC are attempting to rationalise, where possible, to minimise inefficiencies and 'tidy up' the estate. The Clerk highlighted that there are many such footpaths in the area and so CC have responsibilities close by.

Some of the Town Councillors will have an on-site meeting.

#### 2009/21 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk asked the Councillors to look at the Welcome Stone by St Blazey crossing as Archie Taylor has kindly provided a screen and the lettering can now be read.

#### 2009/22 **PLANNING MATTERS**

There have been six planning application received and it was RESOLVED to not object to any of them:

PA20/06522 TN/RT/JA	Non-material amendment with respect to decision notice PA19/01979 Land North West of Orchards Biscovey Road St Blazey Gate
PA20/02123 RT/TN/JA	Conversion works to extension linking barn and outbuilding to form residential dwelling Southleigh (Access) St Blazey Gate
PA20/06271 RT/TN/JA	Installation of new timber slide The Eden Project Bodelva
PA20/07128 TN/RT/JA	Erection of single storey rear extension. 52 Old Roselyon Crescent St Blazey
PA20/07511 RT/TN/JA	Application for a Non-material amendment following grant of planning permission PA20/00802, Amendment sought – Increase height of ridge of extension to match the ridge height of the existing house. 262 Manor View St Blazey

PA20/06955  
RT/TN/JA

Construction of six attenuation features located to the north and south of Cornhill Road, with associated highway works; construction of five attenuation features located to the rear of properties along Rose Hill (A390); construction of two attenuation features with associated highways works, planting of trees and construction of Cornish Hedge to rear of properties along Doubletrees (A390); as part of StARR project Land West of St Blazey Comprising: Land Adjacent to Cornhill (North and south); Land to Rear of properties Fronting Rosehill and Doubletrees (West and North West) on A390  
St Blazey

Comment: No Objection however we do not feel qualified to comment.

#### Results Received

PA20/05526      Proposed extension and alterations along with reconstruction of porch.  
2 Sea View Terrace  
St Blazey  
APPROVED

PA20/05718      Proposed ground, first and loft rear extension to property  
27 Rose Hill  
St Blazey  
APPROVED

PA20/06603      Single-storey rear extension  
29 Rose Hill  
St Blazey  
APPROVED

PA20/07511      Application for a Non-material amendment following grant of planning permission PA20/00802, Amendment sought – Increase height of ridge of extension to match the ridge height of the existing house.  
262 Manor View  
St Blazey  
APPROVED

PA20/00171      Construction of attenuation basin with associated highway drainage works, and relocation of existing Skate Park.  
Bull Engine Park  
Lamellyn road  
St Blazey  
APPROVED

2009/23 **ALEXANDER HALL/ ST BLAZEY COMMUNITY ROOMS/ JUNE  
ANDERSON HALL**

Alexander Hall

Brownies are returning on September 28th, the Tea Dancers and Sat Car Boot are yet to inform of their position.

St Blaze Community Rooms.

Reach Out have booked the room this week but I believe they will then be moving to Fourways. Pegasus – a Counselling service for men are continuing to make bookings..

June Anderson Hall

We have bookings for every Monday to Thursday evening and Monday mornings..

2009/24 **ACCOUNTS**

**Payments Received**

Hall Bookings	340.00
Interest	0.09
High Deposit Int 8/20	21.02
Precept	49,000.00
CTS Grant	2,008.98
Grant	10,000.00
Business Rate Ref	8,155.44
Community Room	6.00

**Expenditure**

Clerks Wage	1519.67
Wardens Wage	652.20
Broadband	21.95
UK Fuels	55.07
Insurance	208.25
HMRC	596.55
CC (Pen)	554.58
Andy's Flowers	39.95
Corona (foun)	22.03
SWW (foun)	16.62
Cornwall Cou	26.00
Archer Signs	295.49
Cormac	150.00
Hawthorne Web	36.00
<u>AH</u>	
Business Rates	250.00
Chubb (parts)	14.47
EDF (Elec)	33.00
SWW	21.50
EDF (Gas)	58.00
Cleaners Wage	44.80
<u>PC</u>	
EDF	11.00
Business Rates	55.00
Locking	30.00
<u>Community Rooms</u>	
EDF	62.00

Business Rates	104.00
SWW	37.24
Fire Crest	57.60
B/B	15.00
<u>JA Hall</u>	
Corona	85.36
Business Rates	1687.08
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69,531.53	6,693.17

All the Councillors RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

## 2009/25 TOWN BUSINESS

Councillor Moore reported that work on the Britannia Roundabout will now not start until early November and will follow on from the work on the A391 once final design for the roundabout are confirmed these will be distributed and will be in keeping with the garden/clay vision that SABEF are trying to achieve.

Councillor Moore has heard that Travis Perkins may redevelop the site in Station Road.

St Blazey Reclaimed is a community group which will survive but will be known as St Blaise Feast and Fete. No Councillors have volunteered to be on the committee. The current committee consists of Jenny Moore as Chair, Ryan Chamberlain as Treasurer, Rev Jules as Secretary and other committee members are Roy Taylor and June Anderson. It seems unlikely under the present circumstances that a parade will be possible, or even a Textile Fair next February but the committee will endeavour to arrange something.

Councillor Moore attended a meeting to discuss the Eden/Heligan cycle route which was well attended with representation from many groups on September 11th. The next meeting is fixed for 23 October. Funding is sought through CIL.

Councillor Moore attended Cornwall Planning Partnership training to go on the Funding Advisory Panel on 15 September. There is an additional date for training, 14 October, and after that it will be decided who makes up the panel. I have self-nominated.

Councillor Moore reported that there is agreement among STARR representatives that the reintroduction of beavers into this catchment would be beneficial and sites have been scoped for suitability.

Councillor R Taylor reported that at the end of August heavy rainfall resulted in flooding in Station Road (entrance to TC car park), two locations in St Andrew's Rd, two locations in Eastcliffe Road, Brook's Corner where there was evidence of sewage on the road and at least three manhole covers were forced up in Par Lane.

The Cornwall Highways incident report number (03001234222) took 50 minutes to get through to, to make a report. This was a waste of his time, but the only way to get their attention.

The CC employee seemed to be spending a lot of time trying to find the locations I was reporting. It occurs to Councillor Taylor that this would be an ideal application for the three word identifier. A list could be compiled of regular flood locations and held by both parties for easy identification and rapid reporting.

2009/26 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020, time and place to be confirmed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.42 pm.