

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE GUILDHALL AT
7P.M. TUESDAY 3RD APRIL 2007**

PRESENT The Worshipful The Mayor Hon. Burgess Cllr. R.H.T. Peareth.
The Deputy Mayor Cllr. M. Jones. Councillors C.L. Jewels, V.A. May, Hon. Burgess
A.W. Nicholls, D.L. Parsons, J.H. Pegg, J.A.K. Riche, C.D. Robson, P. Sweet, P.
Watkins.

IN ATTENDANCE County Councillor Mrs. S. Bain and The Town Clerk.

PRAYERS The Council was led in prayer by Mayor's Chaplain Rev. Alison Munro-Smith.

APOLOGIES were received and accepted from Councillors D.A. Abbiss, A.J. Daniell, R.C. Facey, R.W. Keam, S.M. Wilkinson.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST were made by

Cllr. C.L. Jewels	Agenda item 13.4
Cllr. V.A. May	Agenda item 13.4
Cllr. Nicholls	Agenda item 12 in its entirety

There were no questions from the public

55/07 POLICE REPORT

PCSO Neil Renowden informed the meeting that there were 24 reported crimes during March compared to 14 in 2006. 2 assault, 3 house burglary, 1 burglary 11 vehicle crime, 4 theft, 3 criminal damage. The areas of Community Centre, Coulson Park and the Parade area have been suggested to Restormel as Alcohol Restriction Zones.

56/07 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Bain gave a comprehensive report including the following points of local interest.

- County Council has been successful in its bid for Unitary status and if selected in July further planning and consultation will be undertaken with elections for a Shadow Authority in May 2008 and a new authority up and running by April 2009.
- It has been decided that the County Council produces its own newspaper to be delivered to every household in Cornwall at an annual cost of £350,000. The Executive Member responsible estimates that it will be cost negative as savings equivalent to the cost of production and output will be made by not having to advertise in other publications.
- There is further controversy over the state of the roads. Potholes are developing on many roads throughout the County and are deep enough in some places to cause serious damage. Members have been raising this situation with the Portfolio Holder.

Councillor Jewels proposed that a letter is sent to Cornwall County Council protesting at the waste of public money in spending £350,000 on a newspaper. Seconded by Cllr. Jones. All in favour. A letter will be sent.

57/06 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Nicholls reported

- Age Concern for Cornwall are looking into the situation with Social Services being unable to cope with people who need home care and are doing their own scheme which hopefully will be of help to a lot of elderly people.
- Four grants were given to Lostwithiel recently. There is still money available and forms available from Cllr. Nicholls.
- New Code of Practice will come in in July giving greater powers in conducting business and enabling Chairmen to bring in the 3 month rule immediately.
- Good to see that between the Town Council and the Forum there has been success in getting a shelter on the platform at the station.
- Numbers for Derby and Joan have gone down over the years and Age Concern is going to try to encourage people to join.
- Member of the Scrutiny Committee looking into Serco which took over last May.

58/07 The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th March 2007 were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Jones. Seconded Cllr. Robson. All in favour.

59/07 MATTERS ARISING

47/07.2 Duke of Edinburgh Award/Tree Planting. A piece of land has been donated by Mrs. Patsy Nicholls for the planting of the trees. They will be planted in the next few weeks. A letter of thanks will be sent to Mrs. Nicholls.

51/07 Good Citizen Award. The Council's nominee is Jack Payne for the vast amount of fund raising he has carried out over the years. Mr. Payne has agreed to the nomination and the awards ceremony will take place at Restormel Borough Council on 20th April. The Mayor will attend.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

60/07 FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES held on 20th March 2007. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Jewels. Seconded Cllr. Sweet. All in favour.

61/07 LANDS & PARKS held on 12th March 2007. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Sweet. Seconded Cllr. Jewels. All in favour. Councillor Nicholls thanked The Mayor and Councillor Watkins for their work in getting the return of the Football Club to KGV. Their first game was on 31st March which they won 3-0. Lands & Parks will be asked to consider benches for spectators.

62/07 PLANNING

07/00371 Refurbishment of farm buildings to create 6 holiday units with car parking and refuse facilities. Buildings adjoining Restormel Manor. Duchy of Cornwall. **Supported.** Proposed Cllr. Jones. Seconded Cllr. Parsons. All in favour.

07/00372 Listed Building Consent as in 07/00371. **Supported.** Proposed Cllr. Jewels. Seconded Cllr. Robson. All in favour.

07/00373 Refurbishment of house to create 3 holiday units, extension to form kitchen and formation of associated refuse and car parking facilities. Restormel Manor. Duchy of Cornwall. **Supported.** Proposed Cllr. Jewels. Seconded Cllr. Robson. All in favour.

07/00374 Listed Building Consent as in 07/00373. **Supported.** Proposed Cllr. Jones. Seconded Cllr. Watkins. All in favour.

07/00416 Change of use of barn and lincay to shooting lodge. Princetown. Lanhydrock Estate Company. **Supported** but would like used cartridges etc. to be cleared up after each shoot. Proposed Cllr. Jones. Seconded Cllr. Pegg. All in favour.

07/00463 LBC. Installation of glazing bars to front windows of central block. Pelyn House. Mr. Kendall. **Supported.** Proposed Cllr. May. Seconded Cllr. Pegg. All in favour.

63/07 CORRESPONDENCE

1. RBC is changing the kerbside recycling arrangements and in future recycling will be collected on the same day as residual waste.
2. Julie Tamblin asking that the Council considers the Transition Towns movement. The website www.transitionpenwith.com will be looked at and the matter discussed at the May meeting.
3. Lostwithiel Methodist Church would like to hold an open air service on The Parade on 22nd July at 3p.m. **Agreed.** Proposed Cllr. Robson. Seconded Cllr. Pegg. All in favour.
4. The Rotary Club wish to use KGV for football on the Friday of Carnival Week. This will mean the field being used on the Monday, Tuesday and Friday. **Agreed.** Proposed Cllr. Pegg. Seconded Cllr. Jones. All in favour.

64/07 OTHER MATTERS

1. Unitary Authority for Cornwall. It has been announced by the Department of Communities and Local Government that the Cornwall County Council bid for a unitary authority has been accepted and is on the short list. North Cornwall District Council are holding a meeting at Kingsley Village on 4th

April on the subject of Unitary status not being compulsory but in view of the acceptance of the CCC bid it was agreed that there was little point in attending.

2. Shirehall Moor Local Nature Reserve. After many months of waiting Restormel has finally confirmed that they have no objection to Shirehall being declared a Local Nature Reserve. **It was therefore resolved that** Lostwithiel Town Council as required under S.101 of the Local Government Act 1972, with the agreement of Restormel Borough Council, hereby resolve that Shirehall Moor should be designated a Local Nature Reserve with immediate effect. Proposed Cllr. Jones. Seconded Cllr. Pegg. All in favour. **Resolution passed.**
3. Sergeant at Mace. Councillor Andrew Daniell has resigned as Sergeant at Mace. The Mayor has appointed Mark Jewels to be his successor. A letter of thanks will be sent to Andrew Daniell for the duties he has carried out over the past 23 years.

65/07 FINANCE

The following schedule was approved for payment.

C.A.L.C. (annual fee)	£426.58
R.B.C. (rates)	£989.09
Inland Revenue (PAYE & NI)	£882.85
Brian Chapman (Town Man)	£783.10
Cash	£30.00
Salaries as agreed	
Eclipse Internet (by D/D)	£14.99
S.W.W. (by D/D)	£20.00
Retrospective approval for the following items requiring payment by 31 st March.	
Kevin Hards (grave)	£225.00
E.H. Veerman (grass KGV)	£58.75
Rolawn (bark chippings)	£899.93
Palace Printers (invitations)	£42.30

Proposed Cllr. Jones. Seconded Cllr. Pegg. All in favour.

It was proposed by Cllr. Jones and seconded by Cllr. Jewels that in view of the special nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

IN COMMITTEE

66/07 Item 50/07 (34/07) from March meeting. Parking, Quay Street.

The possibility of vehicle clamping was discussed. Appropriate notices would need to be in place. Cllr. Nicholls will enquire how Ocean Housing has dealt with this situation. Any solution is going to prove expensive. Cllr. Jones will investigate costs for signage and employing a company.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.35p.m.