

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE GUILDHALL AT 7P.M.
TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2009

PRESENT The Worshipful The Mayor Cllr. V.A. May. Deputy Mayor Hon. Burgess Cllr. R.H.T. Peareth. Councillors D.A. Abbiss, Mrs. P. Jarrett, C.L. Jewels, Hon. Burgess A.W. Nicholls, D.L. Parsons, Mrs. G.M. Parsons, C.D. Robson, M. Stead, P. Sweet, R. Warwick, P. Watkins, Mrs. S.M. Wilkinson.

IN ATTENDANCE Town Clerk Mrs. L. Austen.

PRAYERS The Council was led in prayer by Rev. Denyer.

APOLOGIES were received and accepted from Hon. Burgess Cllr. M. Jones, Cllr. J.H. Pegg and Cornwall Councillor G. Shakerley.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Agenda item 15 – Finance The Worshipful The Mayor Cllr. V.A. May

There were no questions from the public.

POLICE REPORT

P.C. Dingle informed the Council that there were six reported crimes during the past month. 1 criminal damage to building/dwelling, 1 burglary other than a dwelling, 4 miscellaneous. The number of offenders known/warned was 4. Our PCSO Ally Morton is leaving us to return to Truro and we will be sharing the PCSO for Fowey. Councillors expressed their concern at this situation and it was agreed that we will write to the Police Authority asking if anything can be done to get us our own PCSO as the system has worked well up to now.

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

The Town Clerk read the report from Cllr. Shakerley which included the following points.

- Temporary road closures in support of community events being restricted to one a year. Initial enquiries indicate that this has not arisen out of national policy but because Devon and Cornwall Police are reviewing current legislation and their commitments to staffing events. Cornwall Council has been alerted to the fact that administrative restrictions will have a profound negative impact on community events. Cornwall Council will be involved in further discussions and I will keep the Town Council informed.
- Mark Prisk MP thanks the Mayor and the business community for their hospitality on 18th November. As shadow Minister for Business he has taken note of suggested solutions for businesses and hopes to be in Government to implement them in 2010.
- Transfer of assets. Officers currently assessing bricks and mortar assets and some properties will be put on the open market. Other assets being assessed and a request for clarification on policy has been made in relation to transfer of assets to other

bodies. If Lostwithiel Town Council has an interest in any particular asset please can I be informed in order to help in its acquisition.

[Town Clerk has emailed to Cllr. Shakerley full details of our requests to Restormel Borough Council and informed him that she has been unable to contact Richard Welch with whom we have been dealing and Cllr. Shakerley will try to find out what is going on]

- Next year holding Cornwall Council surgery in Lostwithiel Library from 16.30 to 17.00 on the first Tuesday of every month.

Jan Clarke of Cornwall Buildings Preservation Trust failed to attend the meeting re Old Duchy Palace.

82/09 The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd November 2009 were approved and adopted and signed by the Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Jewels. Seconded Cllr. Peareth. All in favour.

There were no matters arising.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

83/09 Corporate Property 19th October. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Peareth. Seconded Cllr. Abbiss. All in favour.

84/09 Corporate Property 13th November. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Robson. Seconded Cllr. Mrs. Wilkinson. All in favour.

85/09 Lands and Parks 17th November. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Nicholls. Seconded Cllr. Peareth. All in favour.

86/09 Footpaths 9th November. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Robson. Seconded Cllr. Warwick. All in favour.

87/09 Play Areas 9th November. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Stead. Seconded Cllr. Robson. All in favour.

88/09 Planning 10th November. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Robson. Seconded Cllr. Stead. All in favour.

MEETINGS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL

89/09 Lostwithiel Football Club attended by Cllr. Warwick. Cornwall Hospice Care will be printed on the strips for the 2010/11 season. This will raise awareness of the charity. This was initiated by the Club and no money has changed hands. Sponsorship confirmed from Trewithen Dairy for club jackets. A speaker has been chosen for the fund raising dinner and a decision is yet to be made on the date. A quote has been received for maintenance of KGV which has been discussed by our Lands and Parks Committee.

90/09 Thomas Bullock Trust attended by The Mayor and Hon. Burgess Cllr. Nicholls. The same amount of money will be distributed as has been done in the past to the people of Lanlivery.

91/09 Elliott Exhibition Foundation attended by The Mayor and Hon. Burgess Cllr. Nicholls. Nobody from Lostwithiel applied this year. One person from Lostwithiel awarded a second year grant. Foundation is very grateful for our donation.

92/09 Cycle Path attended by Cllr. Sweet 20th October re cycle path link between Lanhydrock and Lostwithiel. Also present Ken Robertson of the Forum, John Wombwell, and Simon Murray of Sustrans. This was an initial meeting to bring the proposal forward and a second meeting will be arranged once landowners have been spoken to.

93/09 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Lostwithiel Pageant** thanking the Council for its grant of £100 for which they are most grateful.
- 2. NHS re proposed Boots pharmacy at Asda Bodmin.** After lengthy debate it was proposed by Cllr. Jewels and seconded by Cllr. Watkins **not to support** this application. Voted 8 in favour 5 against 1 abstention.

94/09 Parish Plan

It was agreed that the Town Council needs to publish its own Parish Plan. A new committee of Councillors Warwick, Jewels, May, Robson, Watkins and Stead was formed and will meet in the New Year.

95/09 Quality Status

It has not been possible to get Sarah Mason of CALC to attend a Council meeting to discuss an application for Quality Status. A meeting will be arranged in the New Year but in the meantime a new committee of Councillors Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Wilkinson, May, Peareth, Mrs. Jarrett and Jones was formed.

96/09 Forum Development Trust has requested a five minute slot at Council meetings to give an update on what is happening. This would replace reports given by our Council representative Mrs. Parsons. After a full discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Peareth and seconded by Cllr. Watkins that we do not grant this request and that we continue as at present. Seconded Cllr. Watkins. Voted 12 in favour 1 against 1 abstention motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Hon. Burgess Cllr. R.H.T. Peareth took the chair.

97/09 FINANCE

The following schedule was approved for payment.

Eclipse Internet (D/D)	£14.67
BT (D/D)	£67.66
Nicholson Engineering (Clock)	£1431.75

EDF (D/D)	£132.73
EDF (D/D)	£54.08
E.H. Veerman (Grass cutting/weed spraying)	£1858.40
K. Hards (grave digging)	£225.00
Walter Bailey (chippings for play areas)	£46.92
Clarity Copiers (photocopier)	£39.33
Stick of Lostwithiel (keys)	£17.00
S.L.C.C. (annual subscription)	£151.00
Viking Direct (stationery)	£97.66
SWW (retrospective approval)	£121.90
Town Man	£627.20
Salaries as agreed	
V.A. May in reimbursement (refreshments)	£24.00
Palace Printers (Christmas cards)	£60.00
Derek Heyward (Tree surgery)	£380.00
Dave McLennan (Hand dryers & light fittings)	£783.05

Proposed Cllr. Jewels Seconded Cllr. Mrs. Parsons. All in favour.

The Mayor resumed the chair.

It was proposed 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.

98/09 Clock winder.

It was agreed that as the clock is now to have automatic winding the services of the winder will not be needed and they will be paid for this current half-year , even though no work has had to be carried out, as a thank you for past services. A letter and cheque will be delivered by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Mrs. Parsons. Seconded Cllr. Jewels. All in favour.

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

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