

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE GUILDHALL AT 7P.M.
TUESDAY 7TH JULY 2009

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

IN ATTENDANCE Town Clerk Mrs. L. Austen. Cornwall Councillor G. Shakerley, P.C.S.O. Ally Morton.

PRAYERS In the absence of the Mayor's Chaplain the meeting was led in prayer by Hon. Burgess Cllr. A.W. Nicholls.

APOLOGIES were received and accepted from Councillors J.H. Pegg, M. Stead, P. Watkins, Mrs. S.M. Wilkinson.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Worshipful The Mayor Cllr. V.A. May	Agenda item 13
Cllr. D.A. Abbiss	Agenda item 13
Cllr. C.L. Jewels	Agenda item 13
Cllr. C.D. Robson	Agenda item 13
Cllr. P. Sweet	Agenda item 11.3

There were no members of the public present and therefore no questions were put.

POLICE REPORT

PCSO Ally Morton informed the meeting that 9 crimes had been reported during the last month. Assault on Duke Street, Theft of unattended wallet at skate park, criminal damage to vehicle at Castle View, criminal damage to two vehicles at Castle View, incident of harassment at Liddicoat Road, Assault in Maudlin, criminal damage to dwelling in Maudlin, theft of wooden decking, Park Road, burglary at dwelling Bodmin Hill. There were also 42 incidents reported.

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Shakerley gave a comprehensive report including the following points

- Cornwall's Council and administration in Truro is teetering on the edge of being classified as a failing authority. The new Council has had to hit the ground running with new initiatives to try and ward off future government interference.
- First meeting was on 23rd June. Liberal Democrats with 38 Councillors have chosen not to join with all the other parties so Conservatives with 50, Independents with 32 and Mebyn Kernow with 3 have agreed a working alliance to form an administration, which is now in place.

- Mrs. Pat Harvey has been elected Chairman, John Dyer Vice Chairman and the leader of the Council is Alec Robertson who has called for an immediate independent audit of the Council's finances. Sally Bain has been elected as the Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Families.
- Large percentage of new Councillors and training programme is in place.
- Councillors for our community network of Lostwithiel, Fowey, St. Blaise, Tywardreath and Bugle have had their first informal meeting. Another informal network meeting will be held 28th July at Alexander Hall, St. Blaise. The administrator is Lisa Grigg. Pushing for an improved and integrated local public transport network and would value the Town Council's input.
- Trying to make sure Lostwithiel has some form of One Stop Shop facility.
- Would value recommendations on time and venue for a monthly surgery.

43/09 The Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd June 2009 were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Peareth. Seconded Cllr. Robson. All in favour.

There were no matters arising.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

44/09 Planning 9th June. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Peareth. Seconded Cllr. Jones. All in favour.

45/09 Corporate Property 9th June. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Robson. Seconded Cllr. Peareth. All in favour.

46/09 Play Areas 15th June. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Sweet. Seconded Cllr. D. Parsons. All in favour.

47/09 Lands and Parks 16th June. The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Jewels. Seconded Cllr. Nicholls. All in favour.
Regarding the Boer War Memorial Cllr. Mrs. Parsons showed details of the proposed plaque and its position on the memorial. She is dealing with the planning application.

MEETINGS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL

48/09 Real Play Seminar at Threthorne Leisure Park 24th June attended by Councillors D. & G. Parsons and Cllr. Jarrett's son Tim. Cllr. Mrs. G. Parsons reported that the basis of the meeting was to involve all the youngsters at every stop of the way when deciding and choosing the play equipment. Funding could be available via David Coleman (Cllr. Jarrett has details) and Janet Mylod telephone number 01872 267976, jmylod@cornwall.gov.uk The biggest lesson learned was that all those involved are putting an enormous amount of their time to make their bids successful.

49/09 CORRESPONDENCE

1. Playgroup thanking the Council for grant towards wet weather gear.
2. LCA thanking the Council for grant towards sign

3. Lostwithiel FC seeking Council representative. Councillor Warwick was nominated, proposed by Cllr. Jones and seconded by Cllr. Peareth. All in favour. Cllr. Warwick accepted.
4. Forum Development Trust re construction of a Band Stand. Mr. Bower will be asked to attend the August meeting of the Council to discuss the project.

50/09 OTHER MATTERS

1. The Town Clerk gave an update on the proposed transfer of assets from Restormel Borough Council. Cornwall Council has the matter in hand but awaits the appointment of more staff.
2. Standing Orders and Financial Regulations were readopted without amendment. Proposed Cllr. Peareth. Seconded Cllr. Jones. All in favour.
3. Church Hall appeal. *Cllr. Warwick declared a personal interest at this stage.* It was proposed by Cllr. Peareth and seconded by Cllr. Jewels that we give £100. However, Cllr. Jewels then proposed an amendment that we give £250 which was seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Parsons. The amendment was voted upon 7 in favour and 5 against. The original proposal was voted upon 5 in favour and 7 against. **It was resolved** that the amendment stands and a grant of £250 will be given.
4. Cornwall Council Community Network informal meeting at Alexander Hall, St. Blazey on 28th July at 7.30p.m. This will be attended by The Mayor, Cllr. Jones, Cllr. Jewels and The Town Clerk.
5. Digital Mapping. A demonstration has been arranged for 11a.m. on Thursday 6th August in the office for any Councillors able to attend.
6. Audit 2008-09. We have a clear audit report.

51/09 FINANCE

The Deputy Mayor took the chair.

The following schedule was approved for payment.

Elliott Exhibition (grant)	£100.00
Western Web (annual fee)	£59.80
Wolsey UK (paint)	£45.97
V.A. May (mayor's allowance)	£26.86
SLCC (book)	£55.60
Brian Chapman	£1125.74
J.A. Abbiss (installation of bench etc)	£415.00
Maggies (flowers)	£40.00
Eclipse Internet D/D	£14.67
E.H. Veerman (grass cutting)	£1,679.00
Walter Bailey (squeegee)	£35.34
Duchy Timber (hardware)	£10.52
HMR&C	£1463.24
Serco (admin fee)	£11.50
Cash	£30.00
Salaries as agreed	
Audit Commission (audit fee)	£655.50
Proposed Cllr. Jones. Seconded Cllr. Nicholls. All in favour.	

The Mayor resumed the chair and thanked The Town Clerk and the Deputy Mayor for all their hard work regarding the Royal visit and Councillors D. & G. Parsons for weeding the front of Edgcumbe House. He also thanked Deputy Mayor Cllr. Peareth for his work in helping to remove the bells and clock mechanism at the church.

Non agenda item for information only.

Councillors were given an update on the current situation with the affordable housing sites at Butts Park and Rose Hill.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.40p.m.