



## **Lostwithiel Town Council Tuesday 16 January 2018**

### **Public Participation**

None

### **Community Police Report**

The emailed report from PCSO Ward advised there were five recorded crimes in December 2017 one violence with injury, two violence without injury, one other sexual offences and one theft.

### **Cornwall Councillor Report**

Cornwall Councillor Martin outlined his January 2018 Cornwall Councillor Report emailed to Town Councillors on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018.

Cornwall Councillor Martin also reminded Council that the next Cornwall Council Community Network Meeting is to be held on 29 January 2018.

### **Meeting Minutes**

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Church Hall on Tuesday 16 January 2018 at 7pm.

### **Councillors Present**

Mayor Jarrett, Deputy Mayor Hughes  
Councillor Anders, Councillor Hatton  
Councillor Henderson, Councillor Hensman  
Councillor Jarrett, Councillor Lindley  
Councillor Ross, Councillor Sweeney.

### **In attendance**

No members of the public were in attendance.

Cornwall Councillor Colin Martin was in attendance.

Town Clerk Mrs Harris was in attendance.

### **310/17 Apologies of Absence**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from the following Councillors:

Councillor Beedell, Councillor Duffin, Councillor Guiterman, Councillor Hendicott and Councillor Risner.

### **311/17 Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Henderson declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 10 – Biffa.

Councillor Ross declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 13 – UK Government Great Western Rail Franchise Consultation.

### **312/17 Minutes**

It was **resolved** that the minutes dated 10 January 2018 are accepted, approved and duly signed by Mayor Jarrett.

### **313/17 Lostwithiel Town Council Community Resilience**

Councillor Guiterman's emailed report was read to Council by Mayor Jarrett. The report advised that 70 people visited the Neighbourhood Plan consultation & exhibition event on Saturday 13 January 2018. Newsletter questionnaires are still being returned, initial submissions indicate support for the Neighbourhood Plan policies. This report was noted by Council.

### **314/17 Planning applications**

None

### **315/17 Local Government Boundary Commission for England**

It was **resolved** to submit the following response to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England and to forward a copy to Cornwall Council's Electoral review team.

Lostwithiel Town Council has reviewed the proposal by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England regarding the proposed new boundary for the electoral division which includes the town of Lostwithiel.

The Council response is as follows:

- The current electoral division covering Lostwithiel represents 4,638 electors per councillor. We note that the Boundary Commission currently propose an increase of 92 electors to take the number to 4,730 for the division. Whilst we note that this figure falls short of the Boundary Commission's proposal of 5,163 electors per councillor, we believe that a smaller than average electorate is justified by the large geographical area and the number of different parishes covered.
- The Council is broadly in agreement with the proposed revised boundary, which we note will continue to include the communities of Lostwithiel, Lanlivery, St Winnow, St Veep, Boconnoc and Broadoak. These communities have a longstanding history of working closely together. For example:
  - Lostwithiel Town Council works closely with Lanlivery Parish Council to deliver the objectives of the Thomas Bullen Trust, which supports widows and orphans across both areas;
  - The councils representing these communities mutually respect and support each other where planning applications have impact across the boundaries;
  - The residents of the communities of Lanlivery, St Winnow, St Veep, Boconnoc and Broadoak use the facilities and services of Lostwithiel as the principal town in the area, e.g. library, community centre, mobile post office, mobile bank, GP surgery and pharmacy

The fact that these communities are represented by the same County Councillor ensures that our similar mutual interests are effectively and efficiently represented at a county level.

- The Council anticipate that the proposed revised electoral division boundary for the Lostwithiel area will enhance effective and convenient local government across the above communities. The Council would be against any proposal which would involve separation of these current communities as this would undermine the current successful community identities and interests.
- With the caveat that Lostwithiel Town Council are concerned about the logistics of the current work load of the County Councillor by extending the boundary, the Council are broadly supportive of the proposal to extend the boundary to the east to include part of the current Bugle constituency, including Lockengate, Bridges and Tywardreath Highway. These are part of the same Community Network as Lostwithiel and therefore already have a good links with the Lostwithiel community.

- Although not part of the current proposed revised boundary, Lostwithiel Town Council would resist any amendment to include St Sampson within the electoral division to increase our division size further. As set out above, a smaller than average electorate is justified by the larger geographical area and the number of different parishes. In addition, it is the Council's view that St Sampson has more of a connection with Fowey than Lostwithiel. This would also reflect the boundary of the Parliamentary constituency.

### **316/17      Lostwithiel Town Council Budget 2018/19**

It was **resolved** to approve the re-drafted budget projections for 2018/19 as drafted.

### **317/17      Lostwithiel War Memorial, The Parade, Lostwithiel**

It was **resolved** to endorse Historic England's initiative to add the War Memorial on the Parade to the 'List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest'. The clerk was instructed to contact local residents Warren Nicholls & Gillian Parsons to ask if they can provide any information to submit to Historic England.

### **318/17      Man Engine**

It was **resolved** to charge the Man Engine £1,750 for the exclusive use of the King George V playing field on Monday 2 April from 6am – midday. £1,000 for the hire of the field and £750 to cover the Council's professional fees. The clerk was also instructed to advise that a refundable deposit will also be required.

### **319/17      Biffa**

Councillor Henderson having previously declared a pecuniary interest left the meeting room.

It was **resolved** to suggest to Biffa that the locked skip/wheel bin is located in bottom corner of the entrance to the Cattle Market car park. The skip would need to be positioned so as not to block the entrance to the playing field but as close to the King George V fence as possible to allow sufficient room for the twice weekly visits of the mobile bank. The Council would like the siting of the skip introduced on a 3-month trial basis and as a gesture of goodwill the car park litter picked twice weekly. The Council would expect Biffa to clear any fly tipping promptly and keep the corner clear from debris.

Councillor Henderson re-joined the meeting.

### **320/17      Council Communication Working Party**

It was **resolved** to appoint Councillors Anders, Beedell, Hatton & Sweeney to a working party to improve Council communication with the public. All recommendations from the

working party to be ratified by Council and the first recommendations to be available for consideration by Council on 6 February 2018.

**321/17 Councillor Training**

The Council decided that Cornwall Association of Local Councils should be asked to cover the following topics at the training on Monday 22 January 2018: -

Rules and regulations regarding online communication and broadcasting of meetings

Responsibility and respect for other Councillors and staff

Planning

Dress code

Obligations as an employer

Role of Town Clerk

**322/17 UK Government Great Western Rail Franchise Consultation**

Councillor Ross having previously declared a pecuniary interest left the meeting room.

It was **resolved** to task Deputy Mayor Hughes with drafting Lostwithiel Town Council's response to the Great Western Rail Franchise consultation. The final wording of the response to be agreed by Council on 6 February 2018 for submission prior to consultation closing date of 21 February 2018.

Councillor Ross re-joined to the meeting room.

**223/17 Accounts and Finance**

It was **resolved** that cheques 100841- 100847 totalling £1709.17 are authorised for payment.

**224/17 Correspondence**

None

**225/17 Notices**

No Council Meeting on 20 February 2018.

**226/17 Items for next agenda**

Request to attend a GWR timetabling meeting

War Memorial Repairs

Communications Working party recommendations

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Chairman:

Date: