# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE GUILDHALL AT 7P.M. TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2011

**PRESENT** The Deputy Mayor Cllr. C.D. Robson (Chair), 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, Hon. Burgess R.H.T. Peareth, J.H. Pegg, M. Stead, P. Sweet, R. Warwick.

IN ATTENDANCE Town Clerk Mrs. L. Austen. Cornwall Councillor G. Shakerley.

**PRAYERS** The Council was led in prayer by Mayor's Chaplain Rev. Sam Denyer

**APOLOGIES** were received and accepted from The Worshipful The Mayor Cllr. V.A. May and Cllr. Mrs. S.M. Wilkinson.

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr. Abbiss	Agenda item 18
Cllr. Warwick	Agenda item 20 – prejudicial
Cllr. Jarrett	Agenda item 14

The meeting was suspended to take questions from the public

- Q. Bus passes cannot now be used before 9.30a.m. can the Council do anything about it?
- A. This is regulated by Cornwall Council. Perhaps Cllr. Shakerley can help. This will also be covered in the survey for the Parish Plan.
- Q. Has the Council formulated any response to the Cornwall Core Strategy Plan?
- A. This is an agenda item for today's meeting.
- Q. Can something be done about litter by the railway station entrances, particularly cigarette ends? Also rubbish within the railway yard and litter along Grenville Road up as far as the Earl of Chatham.
- A. The area which the Town Man covers was explained. Also that anything within the railway premises is the concern of Railtrack and First Great Western. Serco will be contacted about the area along Grenville Road. (The person who raised the question had already had a meeting with The Mayor and Cllr. Parsons about the same matter ).

The meeting was reconvened

There was no Police Report.

## CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

Cllr. Shakerley gave a comprehensive report including

- Dog fouling. This is a major problem in lots of areas. Cornwall Council has put out information on what to do and how to get a dog warden to visit.

- Waste collection. Consultation on the website and by householders being asked to state their preferences.
- Agenda item 12. Explained that there are problems driving out of Castle Hill from Carbes Lane. Cars have to go out further into Castle Hill to see the road. Cllr. Shakerley and Teresa Frost have looked at the situation and if the Town Council is happy Highways will fund the white lining from its budget. It will be a temporary arrangement which will be monitored over 12 months as to whether it is useful/successful.
- **40/11 The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011** were approved and adopted and signed by The Deputy Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Pegg. Seconded Cllr. Sweet. All in favour.

## 41/11 MATTERS ARISING

**34/11 Granites in South Street.** The Conservation officer has been contacted who was unaware of the situation. It is being looked into.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **42/11 Play Areas 28<sup>th</sup> February.** The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by the Deputy Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Pegg. Seconded Cllr. Sweet. All in favour.
- **43/11 Flood Prevention 28<sup>th</sup> February.** The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Deputy Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Pegg. Seconded Cllr. Jarrett. All in favour.
- **44/11 Planning 8<sup>th</sup> March.** The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by the Deputy Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Peareth. Seconded Cllr. Jones. All in favour.
- **45/11 Quality Status 15<sup>th</sup> March.** The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by the Deputy Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Mrs. Parsons. Seconded Cllr. Peareth. All in favour.
- **46/11 Lands and Parks 15<sup>th</sup> March.** The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by The Deputy Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Jarrett. Seconded Cllr. Mrs. Parsons. All in favour.
- **47/11 Corporate Property 22<sup>nd</sup> March.** The Minutes were approved and adopted and signed by the Deputy Mayor. Proposed Cllr. Peareth. Seconded Cllr. Abbiss. All in favour.

## MEETINGS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL

- **48/11** Flood Prevention Cllr. Pegg attended the inaugural meeting of the Community Flood Group at The Burrows Centre in Par and gave a comprehensive report including:
  - A presentation by the Environment Agency on initial findings and possible solutions.
  - Chairman Roy Taylor of Cornwall Council
  - Bellwind fund application to central government was turned down.

- Grant for £2million for the whole of England has been applied for from central government for providing flood prevention kits to individual properties likely to be affected in the future.
- St. Blazey flood plan is the furthest forward.
- Possible central government cabinet ministers will tour areas affected on 12<sup>th</sup> May.

## 49/11 Football Club – Cllr. Warwick reported

- Club concerned about KGV field maintenance.
- Reappearance of moles, which have now been dealt with
- Could the grass be cut for the remaining home games and also requested clarity regarding the grass cutting contract.
- Requested permission to roll the pitch. All items have been referred to the Lands and Parks Committee.
- **50/11** Lostwithiel Festival Cllr. Pegg reported on the meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> April. The Festival Committee asked several questions, which have all been dealt with.

#### 51/11 Cornwall Council Management of Salt Bins.

Cornwall Council has asked if we wish to provide any further or amended comments in the light of local experiences during the severe weather in December 2010. It was suggested Corporate Property compiles a list of where salt bins are missing from and we will then contact Cornwall Council and at the same time ask where the funding will come from if we undertake the management of the salt bins.

#### 52/11 Cornwall Council/White Lining Carbes Lane onto Castle Hill.

In view of Cornwall Councillor Shakerley's report earlier in the meeting **it was resolved** to agree. Proposed Cllr. Jewels. Seconded Cllr. Pegg. All in favour.

**53/11** Signposts/Information Boards. This is a matter for Corporate Property. Cllr. Pegg has found someone who can do the work and a written quotation will be received very soon. It was proposed by Cllr. Pegg and seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Parsons that delegated powers are given to the Corporate Property Committee to spend up to £1000 on this matter without further referral to full Council in order to speed up the procedure. All in favour.

## 54/11 KGV for Royal Wedding "Street Party"

LCA has requested use of KGV if the weather forecast is favourable. It was pointed out that it is usual to make a charge for the use of the field, even if the event is for a charitable organisation. **It was agreed** that provided they adhere to the usual ruling on no vehicles or dogs on the field permission should be granted. The charge will have to be made but we could possibly give a grant of a similar amount towards the event. If the field is not used no fee will be payable. Proposed Cllr. Jewels. Seconded Cllr. Nicholls. All in favour.

## 55/11 Cornwall Council Core Strategy Options consultation.

This is being looked into by Cllr. Jones and a further copy of the document was passed to Cllr. Mrs. Parsons who will then pass it to Cllr. Pegg.

## 56/11 Committees 2011-12

In view of a vacant seat at present there are several vacancies on committees. These were dealt with and space for the incoming Councillor to sit on 3 committees. A new list will be drawn up and published in the near future.

## **57/11 CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Lostwithiel Unit thanking the Council for its grant and continued support.

## 58/11 FINANCE

The following schedule was approved for payment:

Retrospective approval for payments made up to  $31^{st}$  March for inclusion in 2010/11 accounts.

J.A. Abbis (Painting Edg. Hs	se. and Guildhal	l exteriors) £1720.00		
E.H. Veerman (Grass)	£117.60	Sandstone (fence)	£826.00	
Northcliffe Media (Notice)	£105.60	Town Man	£1070.06	
Duchy of Cornwall (2 <sup>nd</sup> Island Rent) £408.00 Kevin Hards (grave)				
Travis Perkins (hardware)	£27.36	Duchy Timber (hardware)	£32.50	
Payments 5 <sup>th</sup> April				
Palace Printers (invitations)	£40.80	WPS Insurance	£7025.75	

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Eclipse (D/D)	£15.31	Cornwall Council (rates)	£1582.39
Cash	£30.00	Inland Revenue	£820.62
Glasdon (3 bins)	£462.09	Hot Dog (sign)	£30.00
Salaries as agreed			

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

#### 59/11 COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Various points made including

- Can we ask the Environment Agency if we can take some gravel from the river bed to reinstate The Parade?
- Thank Brian for doing such a good job on the corners of Cott Road and Grenville Road.
- Can the double yellow lines at the bottom of Restormel Road be removed to allow more parking spaces?
- Cllr. Nicholls was congratulated on his award from the Bishop of Truro for services to the Church.
- Parking problem by the post box at the top of Fore Street. This has already been reported to the PCSO

#### Hon. Burgess Cllr. Jones agave his apologies and left the meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr. Peareth that in view of the confidential 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.

#### Having declared a prejudicial interest Cllr. Warwick left the room.

## IN COMMITTEE

#### 60/11 Edgcumbe House.

A tenant has requested permission to share his office with another company and for a second lease to be issued to that company. This had already been discussed at Corporate Property and further discussion took place at this meeting. **It was resolved** that the request should be refused and the tenant told he must abide by the terms of his lease. Proposed Cllr. Peareth. Seconded Cllr. Abbiss. All in favour.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.35p.m.

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Date.....