

Lostwithiel Town Council – Meeting

Tuesday 6 November 2012

A Meeting of the Town Council was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 6 November 2012 at 7pm.

Councillors present

The Worshipful the Mayor Councillor Mrs G M Parsons,
The Deputy Mayor Councillor Mrs P Jarrett,
Honoured Burgess W Nicholls, Honoured Burgess R Peareth,
Councillor D Abbiss, Councillor Mrs R Bettin,
Councillor C Jewels, Councillor V May,
Councillor D Parsons, Councillor J Pegg,
Councillor D Robson and Councillor M Stead &
Councillor Mrs S Wilkinson

In attendance

Cornwall Councillor G Shakerley
Devon & Cornwall Police
Town Clerk Sandra Harris

Six members of the public was in attendance

435/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Council was addressed regarding the new skate park project.

436/12 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Honoured Burgess M Jones & Councillor P Sweet.

It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Councillor Pegg that Lostwithiel Town Council introduces with effect from the next meeting submission of written apologies. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Council was advised that a letter of resignation from Councillor R Warwick has been received. Council accepted the resignation and the clerk was instructed to write to Councillor Warwick to thank him for his service to Lostwithiel Town Council.

437/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor D Abbiss declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 17 Approved Contractors list.

Councillor V May declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 17 Approved Contractors list.

Honoured Burgess Peareth declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 27 Accounts & Finance.

Councillor J Pegg declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 27 Accounts & Finance.

438/12 COMMUNITY POLICE - Report

The Police Officer in attendance at the meeting discussed the written report from PCSO Phillips. This report advised that there were 7 reported crimes, (1 detected, 2 ongoing) during October 2012 compared with 8 (2 detected) for October 2011.

439/12 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR Report

Cornwall Councillor Shakerley advised that there have been significant changes at Cornwall Council. The Council has a new Leader Jim Currie and four new Cabinet members.

Cornwall Councillor Shakerley advised that he will not be standing for re-election in May 2013.

Lostwithiel issues

Cornwall Councillor Shakerley advised that he has funds available in both his Highways budget and small grants fund. He encouraged the Council to make applications. He further advised that BBC local radio are today publicising that Lostwithiel residents are unhappy with the Flood prevention works that have been undertaken on their properties. Cornwall Councillor Shakerley advised that the vast majority of residents are completely happy.

440/12 FULL COUNCIL MINUTES - 2 October 2012

The minutes of the Council Meeting of 2 October 2012 were accepted, approved and duly signed by the Worshipful the Mayor Mrs Parsons. Proposed Councillor Pegg seconded Honoured Burgess Peareth. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Cornwall Councillor Shakerley and five members of the public left the meeting room.

441/12 PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES 11 September 2012

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of 11 September were accepted by the Council.

Proposed Councillor Robson seconded Honoured Burgess Peareth. This proposal received the support of the Council.

442/12 LAND & PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES - 18 September 2012.

The Minutes of the Land & Parks Committee Meeting of the 18 September 2012 were accepted by the Council. Proposed Councillor Pegg seconded Honoured Burgess Nicholls. This proposal received the support of the Council.

443/12 FINANCE, STAFFING & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MINUTES –
20 September 2012

The minutes of the Finance, Staffing & General Purposes Committee Meeting of 20 September had to be amended under minute reference 328/12 as the clerk had incorrectly recorded Councillor Roberts instead of Councillor Robson. The minutes were amended in ink and were accepted by the Council. Proposed Councillor Robson seconded Councillor Pegg. This proposal received the support of the Council.

444/12 CORNWALL COUNCIL GOVERNANCE REVIEW

The Council noted the report received.

445/12 CORNWALL COUNCIL GAMBLING ACT – CONSULTATION ON DRAFT
REVISED STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

Lostwithiel Town Council decided that it had no comment to make on this consultation.

446/12 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR SHAKERLEY'S HIGHWAYS BUDGET

It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Peareth and seconded by Councillor May that Lostwithiel Town Council submits the following list to Cornwall Councillor Shakerley as suggested Highways projects, requesting that priority be given to the first three items:-

A390 Downend Garage chevrons on corner to reduce traffic speed and accidents

Cats eyes on the hill from Nomansland to Lostwithiel

Continuation of footpath from Coffeelake to Lanwithan Close.

Provision of notice boards in bus shelters

Grit bins

Dual language signs

Drainage on the footpath near the Community Centre

Replacement drain cover at the back of the Post Office

Escape lane – weed clearance

Yellow lines at the bottom of Fore Street next to the post box to prevent irresponsible parking & at the railway crossing just in front of the barriers

A sign on the A390 to indicate the distance to the escape lane.

447/12 CODE OF CONDUCT FINAL VERSION 2012

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Honoured Burgess Peareth that Lostwithiel Town Council adopts the final version of the Code including the following version of clause 2.6:-

'You must record in a register of interests maintained by the Proper Officer any gifts or hospitality that you are offered or receive in connection with your official duties as a member and the source of the gift or hospitality worth £10 or over.'

This proposal received the support of the Council.

448/12 LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Councillor Pegg that Lostwithiel Town Council adopts the Child Protection Policy as drafted. This proposal received the support of the Council.

The clerk was instructed to research and prepare a Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults policy for consideration by the Council.

449/12 SKATE PARK PROPOSAL – APPROVAL OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Council was advised that it is now not going to be possible to submit the Trusthouse Forte application until March. The Council considered the SITA application as circulated and with further recommended additions/amendments. It was proposed by Councillor Pegg and seconded by Councillor Parsons that the application is submitted with the further recommended additions/amendments and with Lostwithiel Town Council listed as the Third Party Contributor subject to this being in accordance with the Council's Financial Regulations. This proposal received the support of the Council.

450/12 LOSTWITHIEL YOUTH PROJECT MOSAIC

It was proposed by Councillor May and seconded by Councillor Jewels that the Council suggests to the Youth worker that in order to make this piece of work accessible to as many people as possible the group considers making arrangements to display it in the Library for six months and then in the Community Centre. This proposal received the support of the Council.

451/12 APPROVED CONTRACTORS LIST

Councillors Abbiss and May having previously declared pecuniary interests left the meeting room.

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Councillor Robson that the Council accepts the recommendation of the Finance Staffing & General Purposes Committee and approves the approved contractors list as drawn. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Councillors Abbiss and May rejoined the meeting.

452/12 TOWN PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

Mayor Mrs Parsons asked if Councillors could please ensure that their questionnaires are distributed by the end of this week and confirmed that the collection boxes will be checked regularly and collected in at the beginning of December. The results will be collated by the following Councillors:-

Mayor Mrs Parsons, Councillor Mrs Bettin, Councillor Parsons, Councillor Pegg, Councillor May, Councillor Robson & Councillor Mrs Wilkinson.

453/12 SECOND ISLAND

It was proposed by Councillor Pegg and seconded by Councillor May that the clerk is instructed to authorise a further cut of Second Island. This proposal received the support of the Council.

454/12 COULSON PARK

It was proposed by Councillor Parsons and seconded by Councillor Mrs Bettin that the Council does not accept the recommendation of the Land & Parks Committee to close Coulson Park play area. This proposal received the support of the Council.

455/12 KING GEORGE V

It was proposed by Councillor May and seconded by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett that a sign is ordered for the double entrance gates to prevent irresponsible parking. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

The Council endorsed the decision of the Land & Parks Committee Meeting held on 30 October 2012 regarding the monthly invoicing of the Football Clubs.

456/12 TOWN MAP BOARDS

Mayor Mrs Parsons advised that unfortunately the final design is not available. It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Councillor May that full Council delegates the power to the Finance, Staffing and General Purposes Committee to approve the final design. This proposal received the support of the Council.

457/12 BRUNEL QUAYS WALL REPAIRS

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Councillor Robson that permission is not granted for the storage of the digger and materials on the beach whilst the wall repairs are being undertaken. This proposal received the support of the Council. Councillor Pegg requested that it be recorded that he voted against this motion.

458/12 WEDDING REQUEST

The clerk advised Council that Cornwall Council's website advises under 'Licensing of Premises for Civil Ceremonies' that 'venues must be permanent, roofed structures' and that 'ceremonies cannot take place in the open air, in a garden or marquee or temporary structure.' It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett that Lostwithiel Town Council regrets to advise that having checked with Cornwall Council Wedding ceremonies cannot be permitted on the beach area. This proposal received the support of the Council.

459/12 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Nicholls and seconded by Councillor Robson that the Council approves Section 137 expenditure of £100 to purchase a Remembrance Sunday wreath. This proposal received the support of the Council.

460/12 SNOW & ICE PLAN

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Honoured Burgess Peareth that Lostwithiel Town Council purchases a one tonne dumpy bag of road salt and that the routes to be covered are the road from Trewether to Chatham crossroads, Cott road to the main road, from the Chatham to the Railway Station, North Street & Fore Street. This proposal received the support of the Council. Councillors were asked to contact the clerk as soon as possible with proposed storage areas for the salt.

461/12 ACCOUNTS & FINANCE

Honoured Burgess Peareth and Councillor Pegg having previously declared pecuniary interests left the meeting room.

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett that cheques presented totalling £8988.47 are authorised for payment. This proposal received the support of the Council. Honoured Burgess Peareth and Councillor Pegg rejoined the meeting.

462/12 HIGHWAYS

The clerk was instructed to notify Cornwall Council Highways of the following:-

Potholes from Bodardle Farm to Hillhead

Potholes from the Parade War Memorial to the bridge

Road mud – request to clear the mud from the road between the top of Bodmin Hill and Hillhead and reinstate the lay-by which has been filled with earth.

Escape Lane – request to clear the weeds from the lane

Dip in A390 outside Community Centre – request to repair/replace sunken muddy area of pavement

A390 Downend Garage – request to put chevrons on the corner to give advance notice of this sharp corner & hopefully prevent accidents.

Bank at the bottom of Bodmin Hill – as highways are repairing the coping stones whilst on site would it be possible to repoint the whole wall?

463/12 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Fowey Harbour Commissioners

Honoured Burgess Peareth gave a report on the recent Fowey Harbour Commissioners meeting.

Annual Summit for Town & Parish Councils

Councillor Pegg reported on the summit attended by Mayor Mrs Parsons, Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett and Councillor Pegg.

464/12 CORRESPONDENCE

Lostwithiel Bell Ringers Ringing of the Church Bells

South West Water Pill Walk

465/12 NOTICES

Planning Committee Meeting – Tuesday 13 November 8pm start

Play company meeting – Thursday 8 November 11am

Play company display – Friday 16 November 10-4pm

466/12 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

The Meeting closed at 9.45pm

Chairman

Date