Lostwithiel Town Council – Planning Committee Meeting Tuesday 10 September 2013

A Meeting of the Town Council's Planning Committee was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 10 September 2013.

Councillors present

Committee Chairman Councillor Robson, Committee Vice Chairman Councillor Abbiss, Mayor Mrs Parsons, Deputy Mayor Mrs Jarrett, Councillor Hughes, Honoured Burgess Peareth, Councillor Mrs Ross & Councillor Watkins

In attendance

Councillor Gillett, Councillor Jewels, Councillor Milne Town clerk Mrs Harris

One member of the public was in attendance

PL297/13 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

PL298/13 APOLOGIES

None.

PL299/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

PL300/13 MINUTES

The minutes of the Planning Meeting of 13 August 2013 were approved and signed by the Committee Chairman Councillor Robson. Proposed Councillor Watkins, seconded Councillor Mrs Ross. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

PL301/13 PLANNING DECISIONS

PA13/05916 Restormel Water Treatment Works

Application for variation of Condition 2 on Decision Notice PA12/10820 for new water treatment process plant building and associated works; namely vary condition to reflect revised plans.

Approved

PA13/06273 River View, Park Road Lostwithiel

Ground Floor extension to provide disabled accommodation.

Approved

PL302/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) None

b) None

PL303/13 LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL FLOOD PLAN

a) to receive from Councillor Hughes a brief summary of the presentation to the Finance, Staffing & General Purposes Committee regarding the possible incorporation of the services of Cornwall Search and Rescue into the Flood Plan

Councillor Hughes summarised the presentation given to the FS&GP Committee by Councillor Hughes and Councillor Brewer. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Ross and seconded by Honoured Burgess Peareth that Lostwithiel Town Council asks Cornwall Fire & Rescue for written confirmation of the service they would be able to offer Lostwithiel in the event of a flood. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Councillor Hughes requested that the minutes note his opposition to this proposal and that the minutes record his objection to Flood Wardens entering water.

b) To receive a presentation from Honoured Burgess Peareth and Councillor Mrs Ross regarding the Flood Warden Training held on 2 September 2013.

Honoured Burgess Peareth gave a brief summary of the Flood Warden training which took place on 2 September 2013. The training included risk awareness, risk assessment, the dangers of flood water and personal safety awareness.

c) To receive an update from Councillor Mrs Ross and Honoured Burgess Peareth regarding the progress of revisions to the Town Council's Flood Plan.

Councillor Mrs Ross explained to the Committee that the Community Resilience Toolkit has highlighted a number of issues regarding insurance. The first step is to amend the Flood Sector plan which is currently being discussed with the Environment Agency. The training has also highlighted issues with sandbags and the Council will need to consider if it wishes to continue to assist with the provision of sandbags during a flood incident.

d) To receive an update regarding the progress of revisions to the 'generic' elements of the Community Resilience Toolkit.

Councillor Mrs Ross explained to the Committee that currently the Toolkit is being used to help with revisions to the Flood Plan.

e) To consider the resolution passed by the Finance, Staffing & General Purposes Committee that financial provision for the Flood Plan is not taken from the Town/Neighbourhood Plan budget.

It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Councillor Hughes that any decision regarding the financing of the Flood Plan is deferred until after the Cornwall Council meeting to be held in Bodmin on 28 October. This proposal received the support of the Committee. The clerk was instructed to invite Tony Garvin Cornwall Council's Emergency Planning Officer to attend a Lostwithiel Town Council meeting.

f) To consider and amend where appropriate the drafted correspondence to Cornwall Community Flood Forum

The Committee decided to defer this agenda item to the November Planning Committee meeting.

g) To consider and amend where appropriate the drafted correspondence to Cornwall Council

The Committee decided to defer this agenda item to the November Planning Committee meeting.

PL304/13 LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE BUDGET

The Committee considered the following figures:-

Planning training £500
Snow & Ice £500
Town/Neighbourhood Plan £1,000
Flood Plan £215
Neighbourhood Plan earmarked reserve £9,800

The Committee did not query the figures presented.

PL305/13 TOWN PLAN – UPDATE

Committee Chairman Councillor Robson advised the Committee that he will be contacting Mr Warwick very shortly.

PL306/13 SNOW & ICE PLAN

The Committee decided to defer this agenda item to the October meeting.

PL307/13 CORRESPONDENCE

The clerk advised Council that she had applied to Cornwall Council and be granted permission to fell the sycamore on the Parade.

PL308/13 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Snow & Ice Plan

The meeting closed at 7.50pm

Chairman

Date