

Lostwithiel Town Council

A Meeting of the Town Council was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 13 May 2014 at 7pm.
Councillors present

Mayor Mrs Jarrett
Deputy Mayor May
Councillor Abbiss, Councillor Brewer,
Councillor Gillett, Councillor Hughes,
Councillor Jewels, Councillor Mrs Parsons,
Councillor Robson, Councillor Royle,
& Councillor Mrs Wilkinson

In attendance
Town Clerk Mrs Harris
Cornwall Councillor Bay

One member of the public was in attendance

24/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

25/14 APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from the following Councillors:-
Councillor Hensman, Honoured Burgess Jones, Honoured Burgess Peareth,
Councillor Mrs Ross and Councillor Watkins.

26/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Deputy Mayor May and Councillor Jewels declared registerable interests in agenda item 14, Lostwithiel Rotary.
Councillor Brewer and Councillor Mrs Parsons declared non registerable interests in agenda item 18 Accounts & Finance.

27/14 COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT

PCSO Natalie Phillips presented her monthly report at the meeting held on 6 May 2014.

28/14 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cornwall Councillor Bay advised that she had nothing to report but wished to convey her congratulations to new Mayor Mrs Jarrett.

29/14 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Nothing to report.

30/14 MINUTES – ANNUAL MEETING

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of 6 May 2014 were accepted, approved and duly signed by Mayor Mrs Jarrett. Proposed Deputy Mayor May seconded Councillor Hughes. This proposal received the support of the Council.

31/14 MINUTES – 6 MAY 2014

The minutes of the extraordinary meeting of 6 May 2014 were accepted, approved and duly signed by Mayor Mrs Jarrett. Proposed Councillor Robson seconded Councillor Abbiss. This proposal received the support of the Council.

32/14 PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

The minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 11 March 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposed Councillor Robson seconded Councillor Abbiss. This proposal received the support of the Council.

33/14 FINANCE, STAFFING & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MINUTES

The minutes of the Finance, Staffing & General Purposes Committee held on 25 February 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposed Councillor Jewels seconded Councillor Robson. This proposal received the support of the Council.

34/14 LAND & PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

The minutes of the Land & Parks Committee held on 18 February 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposed Deputy Mayor May seconded Councillor Mrs Parsons. This proposal received the support of the Council.

35/14 CORNWALL COUNCIL – REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES – TO CONSIDER THE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE

It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Deputy Mayor May that the Council meeting is suspended to allow comments from Cornwall Councillor Bay. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Cornwall Councillor Bay addressed the meeting.

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor May and seconded by Councillor Mrs Parsons that the meeting is reconvened. This proposal received the support of the Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Councillor Abbiss that Lostwithiel Town Council is in favour of the proposed scheme. This proposal received the support of the Council.

36/14 LOSTWITHIEL POST OFFICE

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor May and seconded by Councillor Brewer that the clerk is instructed to respond to the consultation as follows:-

1. Arrangements must be in place to ensure that the existing parcel collection service is maintained and residents do not have to go to Bodmin or St Austell to collect parcels.
2. The sorting office must be kept in Lostwithiel
3. The bollard on the corner of Fore Street outside Londis needs to be reviewed to improve pram/ disability scooter access to Londis. The Town Council would not

support the removal of the bollard as this would increase the number of large vehicles attempting to drive down Fore Street.

This proposal received the support of the Council.

37/14 LOSTWITHIEL ROTARY – ROTARY CARNIVAL WEEK

Deputy Mayor May and Councillor Jewels having previously declared non registerable interests left the meeting room.

Council considered the proposed schedule for carnival week. It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Councillor Royle that the clerk is instructed to thank Lostwithiel Rotary for the events programme and to confirm that the Council agrees to the use of King George V playing field and Coulson Park for the events specified. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Deputy Mayor May and Councillor Jewels rejoined the meeting.

38/14 ST VEEP & ST WINNOW PARISH COUNCILS – CASTLEDORE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Council considered the email received from the clerk of St Veep & St Winnow Parish Councils. It was proposed by Councillor Hughes and seconded by Councillor Robson that Lostwithiel Town Council considers that it would be a good idea for St Veep and St Winnow Parish Councils to join the Castledore Neighbourhood Development Plan and would like to suggest that they make a formal request to the group to join. This proposal received the support of the Council.

39/14 SEVENOAKS TOWN COUNCIL

The Council considered the email received from Sevenoaks Town Council regarding their proposal ‘that the government takes the necessary action to allow a percentage of Business Rates to be paid direct to Parish & Town Councils for the benefit of local economic growth.’ It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Councillor Mrs Parsons that Lostwithiel Town Council supports this proposal as it could help to alleviate the precept. This proposal received the support of the Council.

40/14 CORNWALL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS - ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Councillor Mrs Parsons that Lostwithiel Town Council renews its annual membership at a cost of £629.16. This proposal received the support of the Council.

41/14 ACCOUNTS & FINANCE

Councillor Brewer and Councillor Mrs Parsons having previously declared non registerable interests left the meeting room.

It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Councillor Abbiss that the cheques presented totalling £7636.80 are authorised for payment. This proposal received the support of the Council

Councillor Brewer and Councillor Mrs Parsons rejoined the meeting.

42/14 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

The clerk distributed to members papers which included the annual expenditure and income summary, the Internal Audit report and copies of the papers to be submitted for External Audit.

It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Councillor Hughes that Lostwithiel Town Council notes the content of the Internal Auditor's report, approves the annual accounts, approves the signing off of the annual accounts and agrees the submission of Section 2 of the Local Councils in England Annual Return for the financial year ended 31 March 2014. This proposal received the support of the Council.

43/14 HIGHWAYS

The clerk was instructed to report the following to Cornwall Council Highways:-
Road going past the Cemetery to Trerule farm needs repairing as soon as possible following the constant use by heavy lorries.

44/14 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Mayor Mrs Jarrett advised that she had today attended the Town & Parish Council and Voluntary Sector Summit at Truro and that she will present a written report to the next Council meeting.

Councillor Gillett advised that he had attended an erection of road signs training course with Mayor Mrs Jarrett.

Councillor Mrs Parsons advised that she had attended a Lost in Play meeting with Councillor Watkins.

45/14 CORRESPONDENCE

Councillor Brewer advised the meeting that he has been approached by some residents regarding the new stones in Coulson Park. Mayor Mrs Jarrett advised the meeting that the stones had arrived on site earlier than anticipated and that it is a 'work in progress' and there will be some re-positioning of the stones to allow cars to pass.

Councillor Gillett had expressed his concern via email to the Council office that the order and date of meetings agreed by Council means that the Chairman of the Land & Parks Committee will not be elected until after the first meeting of Finance, Staffing & General Purposes and as a consequence will be unable to vote at the election of the FS&GP Chairman.

A Lostwithiel resident has emailed the Council asking for a letter of support for chimney repairs. The clerk was instructed to request details of the plans to be submitted to Cornwall Council in order that the Town Council can assess its position regarding the application.

46/14 NOTICES

World War One Commemorations Working Party meeting – Wednesday 28 May 6.30pm at the Guildhall

47/14 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

First Great Western tender document

The meeting closed at 8.02pm

Chairman

Date