

## LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 7 October 2014 at 7pm.

Councillors present

Mayor Mrs Jarrett,

Deputy Mayor May

Councillor Gillett, Councillor Hensman,

Councillor Hughes, Councillor Jewels,

Councillor Mrs Parsons, Honoured Burgess Peareth,

Councillor Robson, Councillor Mrs Ross,

Councillor Royle and Councillor Watkins.

In attendance

Town clerk Mrs Harris

Six members of the public were in attendance.

The meeting began with a one minute silence in memory of the late Honoured Burgess Isaacs. The Mayor advised that she would be sending a message of condolence to Mrs Isaacs and family.

### 425/14            LOSTWITHIEL COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Council was advised that the Lostwithiel Community Centre Committee consider they have three options available to safeguard the future of the Community Centre:-

1. Refurbish the existing building
2. Refurbish and remodel the existing building to make it more 'user friendly'.
3. Build a new Community Centre

The issues with the current building were explained to Council and the Council was given information regarding the current users of the building. The Council was asked to make the building an agenda item as soon as possible in order that the Council can be involved with establishing the way forward.

### 426/14            CLIMATE VISION – LUCI ISAACSON

The Council was addressed by Climate Vision and advised that funding has been obtained to run the leaf litter project in Lostwithiel for a third and final year. An advert has been placed in the Town Newsletter to ask anyone interested in using the mulch (which cannot be used in the food chain i.e. to grow vegetables) to contact Climate Vision in order that they can collect and remove some mulch from the site. Climate Vision will ensure all of last year's mulch is removed by 3 November 2014. This year, if possible Climate Vision would like to encourage the offenders clearing the leaves and the flood victims to meet when the leaf clearing works are being undertaken. Going forward Climate Vision hopes to find people in the community who would like to clear the drains 4 hours every Sunday through the autumn next year. Climate Vision also considers that Lostwithiel could consider copying the approach recently adopted in the Somerset levels to collate local knowledge. Climate Vision would like:-

- a) Permission to conduct the project next year
- b) The Council to suggest an organisation which should benefit from any donations received from people collecting the mulch
- c) Certificates for the Offenders on completion of the project
- d) Use of the Guildhall on 12 October free of charge (sustainability)

#### 427/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Council was addressed regarding dog mess in many locations in Lostwithiel.

#### 428/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from the following Councillors:-  
Councillor Abbiss, Councillor Brewer, Honoured Burgess Jones and Councillor Mrs Wilkinson.  
Cornwall Councillor Bay also forwarded her apologies to the meeting.

#### 429/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Hughes declared a non-registerable interest in Agenda item 24 Accounts & Finance.

#### 430/14 COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT

The monthly crime report was read to Council by Mayor Mrs Jarrett. There were 8 reported crimes  
1 assault, 3 other theft and 4 drink/drug/miscellaneous crimes.

#### 431/14 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cornwall Councillor Bay had asked the clerk to advise Council of the following:-

- a) Cornwall Councillor Bay has arranged the removal of graffiti from the bridge signs.
- b) Kolar Meadows – Cornwall Councillor Bay has been approached by the residents requesting improved lighting. Despite contacting a number of departments at Cornwall Council Cornwall Councillor Bay has been unable to source any funding for lighting.
- c) Cornwall Councillor Bay would encourage as many Town Councillors as possible to attend Cornwall Council Budget Consultation events being held this autumn as there will be a need for further services to be devolved to Town & Parish Councils.

#### 432/14 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of 30 September 2014 were accepted, approved and duly signed by Mayor Mrs Jarrett. Proposed Councillor Mrs Ross seconder Deputy Mayor May. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 433/14 PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES - 12 August 2014

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 12 August 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposer Councillor Robson seconder Councillor Hughes. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 434/14 FINANCE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINUTES - 12 August 2014

The minutes of the Finance & Property Committee meeting held on 12 August 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposer Councillor Jewels seconder Councillor Robson. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 435/14 LAND & PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES - 19 August 2014.

The minutes of the Land & Parks Committee meeting held on 19 August 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposer Councillor Watkins seconder Deputy Mayor May. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 436/14 LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

The clerk requested that this agenda item be deferred until the November meeting. Council agreed to the deferment.

#### 437/14 LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

It was proposed by Councillor Gillett and seconded by Councillor Hensman that Lostwithiel Town Council adopts the Cornwall Association of Local Councils Model Policy on Guidelines for broadcasting or using Social Media at Council meetings with the exception of paragraph 13. This proposal received the support of the Council. After discussion it was decided that the clerk should be instructed to incorporate Paragraph 10 into the meeting notices.

#### 438/14 LOCAL COUNCIL ADVISORY SERVICE

Mayor Mrs Jarrett reported on the Seminar and the clerk circulated to members copies of the LCAS promotional leaflet. It was proposed by Mayor Mrs Jarrett and seconded by Councillor Mrs Parsons that Lostwithiel Town Council becomes a member of the Zurich Local Council Advisory Service at an annual fee of £95 plus VAT. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 439/14 SLCC TRADING FOR LOCAL COUNCILS

The Council considered the details of the course circulated by the clerk. It was decided that the course would be beneficial for the Council but that the clerk did not have time available to attend.

#### 440/14 CALC VISIT

Councillor Mrs Ross explained the purpose and the objectives of Sarah Mason's visit to Members. Sarah Mason will be available to meet with Councillors on an individual basis between 2pm and 7pm on Tuesday 21 October 2014.

#### 441/14 VAT REGISTRATION

It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Peareth and seconded by Councillor Hughes that the clerk is instructed to register Lostwithiel Town Council for VAT and to apply to Opt to Tax both King George V playing field and Coulson Park. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 442/14 LOSTWITHIEL FORUM

The design of the new Lostwithiel Bridge signs were noted by Council.

#### 443/14 CLIMATE VISION – GUILDHALL FEE

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Councillor Hughes that the fee of £20 to hire the Guildhall on Sunday 12 October 2014 is payable by Climate Vision. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Councillor Mrs Parsons offered to open and close the Guildhall for Climate Vision on this date.

#### 444/14 SOUTH WEST PENINSULA ROADS AND RAIL

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Councillor Royle that the response is submitted to George Osborne MP, Patrick McLoughlin MP and Sherryl Murray MP as drafted. This proposal received the support of the Council.

It was further proposed by Councillor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Councillor Jewels that the minutes record a vote of thanks to Councillor Hughes for drafting the submission and that Councillor Hughes is

authorised to sign the letters to be submitted to the Members of Parliament on behalf of the Council. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 445/14 TOWN CLOCK – CHIMES AT NIGHT

Councillor Mrs Parsons advised Council that the Town Clock has chimed every 15 minutes in Lostwithiel since 1878. The clerk was instructed to advise the complainant and Lostwithiel Business Group that the Council intends to continue with this long tradition and that the Council will be very disappointed if this means that this particular visitor will no longer enjoy the antiquity of Lostwithiel.

#### 446/14 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

It was proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Honoured Burgess Peareth that Council does not consider this agenda item but considers the production of a one off Newsletter in 2015 at the November monthly meeting. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 447/14 CATERING VAN

The Council considered the request received. It was proposed by Councillor Royle and seconded by Councillor Hughes that Lostwithiel Town Council refuse consent for the siting of a van in either car park on the grounds that it would not fulfil a need to the town or the community. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 448/14 ACCOUNTS & FINANCE

Councillor Hughes having previously declared a non-registerable interest left the meeting room. It was proposed by Councillor Robson and seconded by Deputy Mayor May that the payments presented totalling £4905.31 are authorised for payment. This proposal received the support of the Council. Councillor Hughes re-joined the meeting.

#### 449/14 HIGHWAYS

The clerk was instructed to report the following issues to Cornwall Council Highways:-

Skiddery Lane - Foliage has not been trimmed in years growing up and hanging down making the area slippery.

Skiddery Hill is covered in moss – there will be a bad accident

Iron drain grid outside the chemist is loose needs drilling down and bolting into the concrete.

Following a recent tree removal there appears to be tree roots coming up through pavement on corner Church Lane and Fore Street (opposite Nanadobbie's)

Carbes Lane (Rosehill end) tarmac is breaking up there appears to be a definite 'step' in the tarmac.

Bodmin Hill drains are swamped with leaves.

Grenville Road – Welcome to Lostwithiel sign has been hit and tucked into flower trough.

#### 450/14 CORRESPONDENCE

Cornwall Council

Budget consultation 2014

Localism & Devolution Information Bulletin

Don't waste your waste – Get composting this autumn

Affordable Housing info for Members and Town/Parish Councils

CCFF

Local Nature Partnership Board Member Recruitment & Flood Defence Expo

C&IOS LEP

Cornish businesses play starring role in the future of regulation.

CPRE	News release: Minister signs £200m Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Growth Deal
Devon & Cornwall Police & Crime Panel	Housing in Cornwall Part One Police & Crime Commissioner's joint announcement with the Chief Constable in respect of Devon & Cornwall Police Public Contact Strategy – Station Enquiry Rationalisation
Parc Signs	Access requested at 9.30am Wednesday morning.
Planning for Climate Change	London Conference in December
Sarah Newton MP	Cornwall Bee Summit
University of Exeter	Community Energy and Energy Saving Seminars

#### 451/14 NOTICES

The clerk advised that due to pressure of work it would not be possible for her to attend the Planning training booked for Wednesday 8 October at a cost of £10. Councillors advised that they were also not able to attend and it was therefore proposed by Councillor Jewels and seconded by Councillor Robson that Lostwithiel Town Council accepts that it will forfeit the £10 course fee. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 452/14 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.