

Lostwithiel Town Council – Planning Committee Meeting

Tuesday 14 October 2014

A Meeting of the Town Council's Planning Committee was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 14 October 2014.

Councillors present

Committee Chairman Councillor Robson,
Mayor Mrs Jarrett, Councillor Hughes,
Honoured Burgess Peareth, Councillor Mrs Ross,
Councillor Royle & Councillor Watkins.

In attendance

Councillor Brewer, Councillor Mrs Parsons,
Councillor Gillett,
Town clerk Mrs Harris

Two members of the public were in attendance

461/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Committee was addressed regarding PA14/08812 19b North Street Lostwithiel and PA14/08888 & PA14/08889 23 North Street Lostwithiel.

462/14 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Abbiss.

463/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs Ross and Councillor Watkins declared non registerable interests in Planning Applications PA14/08888 & PA14/08889 23 North Street Lostwithiel.

464/14 MINUTES

The minutes of the Planning Meeting of the 9 September 2014 were approved and signed by the Committee Chairman Councillor Robson. Proposed Councillor Mrs Ross seconded Councillor Hughes. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

465/14 LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

- a) Flood Plan – Councillor Mrs Ross advised that there was a Flood Alert last week and that Charles Richards has been contacted to ask if he could please provide more Flood Warden training. It was decided that a meeting with all the Flood Wardens should be arranged as soon as possible.
- b) Cornwall Community Flood Forum AGM & Conference – Honoured Burgess Peareth presented a written report to the Committee (Appendix 1)
- c) Neighbourhood Development Plan – Councillor Hughes advised the Committee that the next meeting will be held in Lostwithiel on Thursday.
- d) Cornwall Council Community Emergency Plan template – Councillor Mrs Ross advised the Committee that she did not have the time available to progress the project. Committee Chairman Councillor Robson

suggested that the Committee should consider how to take the project forward at next month's Committee meeting.

466/14 PLANNING DECISIONS

PA14/08295 Norway House Summer Street Lostwithiel
Tree works to trees with in a conservation area
Decided not to make a Tree Preservation Order

467/14 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) PA14/08111 1 Old Orchard Lostwithiel
Notification of works to trees in a Conservation Area, namely remove side branches to 6 leylandi
Lostwithiel Town Council agreed to this application being decided by delegated powers. The Council has no response to submit.

PA14/08185 The Nook Rose Hill Lostwithiel
Construction of a porch and utility room
It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Ross and seconded by Councillor Royle that this application has the support of Lostwithiel Town Council. The Town Council considers the proposed development will enhance the building. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

PA14/08578 Church of St Bartholomew North Street Lostwithiel
Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order – Fell 7 lime trees due to disease, mostly from the trunk top downwards. Trim back by 3-4 metres one willow and two yew trees.
It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Peareth and seconded by Councillor Royle that these tree works are supported by Lostwithiel Town Council. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

PA14/08606 The Parade Lostwithiel
Notification of works to trees in a Conservation Area to reduce a lime tree (T8) to previous pollard point (finishing height approx. 6m).
Lostwithiel Town Council agreed to this application being decided by delegated powers. The Council has no response to submit. The clerk read to the Committee the comments of Cornwall Council's Tree Officer loaded onto Cornwall Council's website regarding this application.

PA14/08812 19b North Street Lostwithiel
Proposed demolition of semi-derelict house and the erection of a pair of new semi-detached two bedroom houses.
It was proposed by Councillor Watkins and seconded by Councillor Mrs Ross that Lostwithiel Town Council supports this application. The Council considers the proposed development is in keeping with the existing street scene and will provide the type of properties needed in Lostwithiel. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

Councillor Mrs Ross and Councillor Watkins having previously declared non registerable interests left the meeting room.

PA14/08888 23 North Street Lostwithiel
Conversion of building to five apartments and two mews style cottages and the demolition of a rear extension and erection of three cottages.
It was proposed by Councillor Royle and seconded by Mayor Mrs Jarrett that this application is supported by Lostwithiel Town Council. The Town Council is pleased to consider plans to preserve this

Listed Building and plans to bring this facility back into general use. The Council would like to express its concern regarding parking arrangements and would like to see the existing entrance reinstated. The Council would also like to request sight of a copy of the construction traffic management plans prior to the commencement of works. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

PA14/08889

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Mayor Mrs Jarrett that this application is supported by Lostwithiel Town Council. The Town Council is pleased to consider plans to preserve this Listed Building and plans to bring this facility back into general use. The Council would like to express its concern regarding parking arrangements and would like to see the existing entrance reinstated. The Council would also like to request sight of a copy of the construction traffic management plans prior to the commencement of works. This proposal received the support of the Committee.

Councillor Mrs Ross and Councillor Watkins re-joined the meeting.

PA14/08931

Co-operative Retail Services Ltd Quay Street Lostwithiel

Application for consent to display an advertisement namely replacing and upgrading existing troth light on existing fascia and applying an aluminium wall mounted car park sign with vinyl text.

It was proposed by Honoured Burgess Peareth and seconded by Councillor Royle that Lostwithiel Town Council is unable to consider this planning application until clarification has been obtained from Cornwall Council regarding the wording on the wall mounted car park sign. This proposal received the support of the Council.

b) None

468/14 AFFORDABLE HOUSING ALLOCATION

It was proposed by Councillor Watkins and seconded by Councillor Hughes that the clerk is instructed to contact the Affordable Housing Allocation Department of Cornwall Council to invite an officer to meet with Lostwithiel Town Council regarding the allocation of the affordable housing element of the Lostwithiel Golf Club proposed development. This proposal received the support of the Council.

469/14 BUDGET 2015-16

Flood Plan – requirements the same as last year

Neighbourhood Plan – to be estimated

Training – ring fence existing budget

470/14 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Emergency plan

The meeting closed at 8.05pm

Chairman

Date

Report from Honoured Burgess Cllr Peareth attending 3rd Annual Cornwall council flood forum (CCFF) Held at Core building, Eden Project, St Blazey, Cornwall 1st October 2014 53 delegates, of which a dozen or so did not actually attend.

The AGM report at the beginning of the seminar mentioned that Cllr Karen Ross (Lostwithiel town council) was stepping down from the CCFF management committee. Three new Cllrs voted onto committee (Lindsay Southcombe [Truro City Council]; Janet Lockyer [St Ewe Parish]; Kevin Hughes [Towendack Parish] .Papers presented were by Professor Van De Noort [chair of south west regional flood forum] relating to the role they undertake in Devon & Cornwall.

Kate Taylor [Environment agency] on her project on filming short biographies and audio recording of persons affected by flooding, relating their thoughts, concerns and resilience. Martin Alvey (Cornwall council flood resilience manager)) standing in at the last minute for Robbie Craig [DEFRA] presenting how the Pathfinder project is currently working at a national level.

Kevin Barnes (EA flood resilience team leader) gave a short presentation on sandbags ,how useful they can be , but overall are pretty much impractical for a variety of reasons [large number required to be effective; easily becoming contaminated; difficulty in disposing of once used; heavy to manoeuvre; time consuming to prepare]

Martin Alvey (Cornwall council flood resilience manager) discussed how pathfinder project is working in Cornwall and the successes he has initiated during its lifetime, also the fact the project ceases at end of the financial year.

Luci Isakkson gave a presentation on the current status of leaf litter project, extolling the virtues of Lostwithiel town council in being of great assistance to her project since its inception over two years ago, stating the third and final year of gathering leaf and other roadside detritus would begin again on 3rd November praising Lostwithiel again leading the way nationally.

Dr Dave Watkins (Cornwall council Natural environment officer) gave a lengthy overview of how Cornwall fared the storms and gales of late 2013 and early 2014, the estimated repair cost to the county (over twenty-one Million pounds) caused to harbours, beaches and roadside potholes. Showing some dramatic photographs.

Overall the day proved most informative and was very useful in meeting other parish members from Cornwall along with refreshing relationships with representatives from Cornwall council and environment agency.