

LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Guildhall on Tuesday 3 February 2015 at 7pm.

Councillors present

Mayor Mrs Jarrett,

Deputy Mayor May

Councillor Abbiss, Councillor Hensman,

Councillor Hughes, Councillor Mrs Parsons,

Honoured Burgess Peareth, Councillor Robson,

Councillor Mrs Ross & Councillor Watkins.

In attendance

Town clerk Mrs Harris

Four members of the public were in attendance.

710/14 BARCLAYS BANK PLC – CLOSURE OF THE LOSTWITHIEL BRANCH

The Council received a presentation from Michael Watts, Community Leader Cornwall & Devon regarding the rationale behind the closure of the Lostwithiel branch. Barclays wishes to support its customers post the closure of the branch and would welcome the opportunity to meet with groups to run bespoke access sessions to assist customers with phone banking, internet banking or how to access Barclays services through the Post Office. Barclays will also consider siting a cash machine in Lostwithiel if a suitable location can be agreed.

711/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

712/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from the following Councillors:-

Councillor Brewer, Councillor Gillett, Councillor Jewels, Honoured Burgess Jones, Councillor Royle and Councillor Mrs Wilkinson.

713/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

714/14 COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT

The monthly crime report was read to Council by Mayor Mrs Jarrett. There were 4 recorded crimes and 17 logs generated for the period 01 January 2015 – 31 January 2015.

715/14 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cornwall Councillor Bay advised the Council that patching works will take place on Bodmin Hill from 16 – 27 February 2015. Cornwall Councillor Bay having received a number of complaints regarding litter between Nomansland and Sweetshouse and has arranged for this area to be litter picked this week & also hopes to be able to get the pothole outside the Duchy Coffee Shop repaired soon.

716/14 MINUTES

The minutes of the extraordinary meeting of 27 January 2015 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.

717/14 PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES – 9 December 2014

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 9 December 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposer Councillor Robson seconder Councillor Hughes. This proposal received the support of the Council.

718/14 FINANCE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINUTES – 9 December 2014

The minutes of the Finance & Property Committee meeting held on 9 December 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposer Councillor Mrs Ross seconder Deputy Mayor May. This proposal received the support of the Council.

719/14 LAND & PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES – 16 December 14.

The minutes of the Land & Parks Committee meeting held on 16 December 2014 were accepted by Council. Proposer Councillor Abbiss seconder Councillor Watkins. This proposal received the support of the Council.

720/14 POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER – REFRESH OF POLICE & CRIME PLAN 2015/16
Lostwithiel Town Council decided it had no response to submit to this consultation.

721/14 LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET 2015/16 – CASH FLOW PROJECTIONS

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Ross and seconded by Councillor Mrs Parsons that the projected cash flows are accepted by Council as drafted. This proposal received the support of the Council.

722/14 LOSTWITHIEL TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET 2015/16 – BUDGET STATEMENT

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Ross and seconded by Councillor Robson that the budget statement is approved as drafted. This proposal received the support of the Council.

723/14 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – DESIGNATION REQUEST

It was proposed by Councillor Hughes and seconded by Councillor Hensman that the formal lodgement with Cornwall Council of a designation request to undertake a Neighbourhood Development Plan for the Parish of Lostwithiel is approved as drafted. This proposal received the support of the Council. Councillor Hughes confirmed that he is currently very happy to continue to drive this process forward.

724/14 LOST IN SONG – SING ALONG THE RIVER

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Ross and seconded by Councillor Mrs Parsons that Lostwithiel Town Council accepts the information provided and grants permission for this years proposed events. This proposal received the support of the Council.

725/14 LOSTFEST – USE OF COULSON PARK

It was proposed by Councillor Watkins and seconded by Honoured Burgess Peareth that Lostwithiel Town Council declines the request to use Coulson Park as a car park for Lostfest. This proposal received the support of the Council and it was suggested that the event organisers should try to increase the promotion of the use of public transport in their event publicity.

726/14 MOBILE DIABETIC EYE SCREENING UNIT

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Deputy Mayor May that permission is granted for the siting of the mobile diabetic eye screening unit in the Cattle Market car park from 18-28 March inclusive. This proposal received the support of the Council.

727/14 VODAFONE LTD – RESTORMEL INDUSTRIAL ESTATE UPGRADE

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Councillor Hughes that Lostwithiel Town Council has no objection to the proposed upgrade to the existing mast site at Restormel Industrial Estate. This proposal received the support of the Council. The clerk was also instructed to mention in the Council's response that the Council hopes Vodafone will consider sharing the upgraded mast with other companies in order to improve mobile phone coverage in the town.

728/14 EDGCUMBE HOUSE – WORKING PARTY

It was proposed by Councillor Watkins and seconded by Councillor Hughes that a working party is formed which should include both Town Councillors and local community members to investigate and report back to full Council their findings on the following relating to the future of Edgcumbe House :- trust opportunities, funding, maintenance, town questionnaire and public appeal for funds. This proposal received the support of the Council.

It was decided that the meeting would be held on Thursday 26 February in the Guildhall at 7pm.

729/14 LOSTWITHIEL LIBRARY

Council considered the correspondence received from Lostwithiel Library. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Parsons and seconded by Councillor Hughes that the clerk is instructed to advise both the Library and the Methodist Church that an assessment of the safety of the courtyard surface should be made prior to opening the access to either facility. If it considered that safety may be an issue due to inclement weather then it would be prudent to consider not opening the facility. This proposal received the support of the Council.

730/14 INFORMATION SHEET

Councillor considered the Information Sheet prepared by Councillor Mrs Ross. The only amendment suggested was the division of the Cemetery entry to indicate that Castle Hill Cemetery is the responsibility of Lostwithiel Town Council and that Restormel Road Cemetery is under the control of Cornwall Council. It was requested that the minutes note thanks to Councillor Mrs Ross for her hard work in preparing the document & it was proposed by Councillor Abbiss and seconded by Deputy Mayor May that the Town Council arranges for 1,500 copies to be printed and distributed via the Community Centre's monthly magazine at a cost of not more than £150. This proposal received the support of the Council.

731/14 ROAD CLOSURES

The clerk was instructed to write to Cormac to ascertain the exact anticipated period of closure for the recently notified road closures.

732/14 ACCOUNTS & FINANCE

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Ross and seconded by Deputy Mayor May that the payments presented (excluding cheque number 100260) totalling £10212.35 are authorised for payment. This proposal received the support of the Council.

733/14 HIGHWAYS

The clerk advised Council of the comments received from PCSO Merrikin regarding parking at Cott Road. The clerk was instructed to ask PCSO Merrikin if she could please visit the area between 8 & 9.30am and 4.30 – 5.30pm.

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

Potholes – between A390 and Respryn Road before the entrance to the Duchy opposite the Lodge.
At A390 turn off just before Nomansland going into Huntington Lane

Entrance to Pelynt Lane the puddle disguises a very deep pothole

Raised Pavement on the junction of Fore Street and Church Lane - the tarmac has risen between 6 and 8 inches

Fore Street pavement pavers – between the Duchy Coffee Shop and Curiosity there are raised pavers.

Skiddery Hill – the hill is still covered in moss and very slippery and dangerous

Edgumbe Hill – could the Council please be advised when the missing ‘cats eyes’ are going to be replaced.

A390 – the road surface between the Kings Arms and Stephen Foy’s antique shop is really rough

734/14 CORRESPONDENCE

Cornwall Council

Community Network Meeting

Cornwall Countryside Access Forum

Digital High Street skills flyer

Police & Crime Plan 2015/16 proposed refresh of 2015/16 plan

Community energy switch

Cornwall AONB Annual Conference

Invitation

Cornwall & Isles of Scilly LEP

Building performance and collaboration in construction

Cornwall for Change

Chacewater Parish Council Call for Change

Cornwall Sports Partnership

February 2015 bulletin

CPRE

Housing in Cornwall Part 4

Enterprise Foundation SW

Invitation to meeting

Penwith Community Development Trust

January e-bulletin

Rural Opportunities Bulletin

January 2015

Rural Services Network

ACRE Funding threat

Rural health

Rural broadband

Rural housing spotlight

Lostwithiel Town Councillor Royle

Letter of resignation

735/14 NOTICES

Cornwall Association of Local Councils AGM – Wednesday 4 February

Cornwall Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty AGM – Saturday 7 March

Mayors Barn Dance – Friday 6 February

736/14 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Relocation of town clerk

The meeting closed at 9.05pm.

Chairman

Date