

DRAFT MINUTES

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOWEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15th APRIL 2015 AT FOWEY TOWN HALL

14/223 Present

The Mayor, Cllr John Berryman
The Deputy Mayor, Cllr Mrs R Finlay
Councillors Mrs K Alexander, Mrs A Boosey, Mrs C Eardley, T Delves,
Mrs S Gudmunsen, D Willmore

In Attendance

The Town Clerk, Sally Vincent
4 members of public
1 member of the press
PCSO Lloyd Paynter (part)

14/224 Apologies

Cllr D Hughes (another commitment)

14/225 Declaration of Interests

- α. Pecuniary – None
- β. Non Registerable – Cllr Willmore declared a non registerable interest in any matters concerning the new Wainhomes development at Hillhay
- χ. Dispensations – The Clerk had extended a dispensation to Cllr Delves to participate in any discussion pertaining to the Fowey Wainhomes development. The Clerk had extended a dispensation to both Cllr Finlay and Cllr Eardley to participate in any discussion pertaining to the Fowey allotments.

14/226 Public Questions/Police Report

Police Report – PCSO Lloyd Paynter had advised that there had been 11 reported crimes in the parish since his previous report in March -. 3 x theft, 1 x theft from a shop, 3 x criminal damage to property, 1 x dog not under proper control, 1 x attempted burglary, 1 x owner/person in charge of dog dangerously out of control, 1 x Assault/ABH.

Public Questions

Lynn Goold advised that Colin, the local street cleaner, was facing disciplinary action from his employer and was likely to be dismissed. He was being supported by his union representative. Lynn Goold also reported that 4 tenders had been received in respect of the Christmas Market. The sub-committee had studied these and the preferred candidate was Live Events South West. The company had put forward some innovative ideas and was keen to expand the area utilised for the event. In 2015 Santa and the Christmas lights would be coordinated by Philip de Grey Warter and his team.

It was reported that the old ‘Scenic Route’ signs, which had disappeared about 3 years ago had still not been replaced. It was agreed that Cllr Hughes should be asked to chase this up.

The dreadful mess around the recycling facilities at Squires Field, particularly during Regatta Week, was reported. It was felt that the majority of the problem around the glass skip was caused by businesses so it was agreed that the issue should be raised with the Chamber.

14/227 Minutes of the Meeting of 18th March 2015

It was proposed by Cllr Delves, seconded Cllr Eardley and RESOLVED that the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

14/228 Matters Arising not on the Agenda (for report only)

- Allotments – The Clerk reported that two of the plots had been vacated and she had reallocated them to the people at the top of the waiting list. Several of the tenants had yet to pay their rent so it was possible that more plots would become available.
- St Catherines Lights – The Mayor reported that English Heritage had not yet approved the new scheme
- Wainhomes – The Town Clerk had contacted Peter Crawford to ask for details of Phase 2 of the project, which appeared to have started. Peter had promised to investigate and get back to her. .

14/229 To receive and note the minutes, if any, of FTC Committees

Planning - minutes noted.

Town Hall – no report.

Environment – Cllr Finlay reported that, together with Cllr Eardley, she had surveyed the top part of the garden and they had been unhappy with its current state. As the Committee had decided not to pay a contractor to look after the garden in 2015 she was investigating the possibility of forming ‘The Friends of the OGS’ to encourage volunteers to help with the maintenance. She had met with Nick and Julia Flowerdew, who were great supporters of the OGS and they had offered £250 towards the cost of clearing the top section and also assured her that a number of people living nearby would be happy to help with day-to-day maintenance. The second phase of the refurbishment of the lower garden had been started.

Finance – no report.

14/230 To receive and consider reports from representatives of the Town Council on other bodies

Forum – Cllr Willmore reported that the Forum would be holding its AGM at the Safe Harbour on 28th April.

14/231 To receive the Mayors Report

As this was the last scheduled Council Meeting before the AGM, the Mayor thanked his colleagues for their support and said that he had very much enjoyed his 5 years as Mayor of Fowey.

14/232 To receive the Town Clerks Report

The Town Clerk reported

- An ‘Adopt a Kiosk’ scheme had been launched by BT, whereby communities could adopt a red phone box for £1 and use it for community projects. To date kiosks had been used for, *inter alia*, information centres, art galleries, defibrillator stations and even a ‘pop up’ pub.

14/233 Accounts for Approval

It was proposed by Cllr Willmore, seconded Cllr Alexander and RESOLVED that accounts to the value of £35,063.67 be approved.

Copies of the Current Assets Report and the Budget Tracking Report had been circulated to members before the meeting.

14/234 Correspondence

The correspondence file was left 'on the table' for Cllrs attention

14/235 Resolutions from Councillors

None.

14/236 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Finlay reported that the Steering Group had met twice since the last FTC meeting and she had also met with Tasha Davis (Community Network), Paul Thomas and Claire Hodinott to discuss the project. The primary school would be staging an Art Workshop between 18th and 21st May on 'Why Fowey is Special.'

14/237 Squires Field

The Clerk reported that the Fowey Bowling Club Trustees had given notice to Cornwall Council that they wished to surrender their lease; she understood that they had been advised that 6 months notice would be required and that the premises would be inspected for delapidations. The transfer of the complex was still with CC legal but a form of licence with Cory for the recycling facilities had been agreed. Arthur Baker (and others) had asked FTC to consider allowing the Trustees of the Community Bus to build a garage somewhere on the site.

14/238 Fowey Public Conveniences

Cllr Delves reported that work to refurbish the TQ toilets was on target to be completed by early May. The disabled facility had now been closed but the pub landlords in the town had helpfully agreed that members of the public could use their facilities until the refurbishment was completed. The Clerk confirmed that the surrender of CC's lease had completed earlier in the day and that she was seeking quotes for cleaning. The transfer of the towns' other facilities was still with Cornwall Council legal.

14/239 Town Quay

Christmas Market 2015. Lynn Gould had reported on this earlier in the meeting. As the Market providers were hoping to utilize the outer quay in 2015 it was agreed that SW Water should be approached again in respect of the transfer of the surface to FTC.

Provision of Signpost It was agreed that a cheaper option would be to put directional fingers on the existing post outside the Boathouse. The Mayor agreed to investigate this. Cllr Eardley urged caution as the Environment Committee was hoping to use the post for hanging baskets.

General Update The Tywardreath Morris Dancers would be performing on the quay on 15th July. The Clerk had instructed Coast2Coast to repair some loose concrete on the steps and to put the seating back on 1st May. Chris Biggs had nearly completed the repairs to the fendering.

14/240 Election of Committees 2015/2016 (for ratification at Annual Meeting)

It was agreed that the following Cllrs should serve during the next Civic Year

Planning: Cllrs Boosey, Alexander, Delves, McCartney, Willmore

Environment: Cllrs Finlay, Alexander, Berryman, Eardley,

Town Hall: Cllrs Eardley, Gudmunsen, McCartney, Willmore

Finance: Cllrs Willmore, Berryman, Boosey, Delves

14/241 Election of Representatives 2015/2016

It was proposed by Cllr Boosey, seconded Cllr Gudmunsen and RESOLVED that the following members should serve as Representatives during the 2015/2016 Civic Year.

Webmaster: Cllr Eardley

Community Network: Cllr Boosey

FHC Consultative Group: Cllr Berryman

Forum: Cllr Willmore

Chamber of Commerce: Cllr Alexander, Cllr Finlay

Imery's Liaison Group: Cllr Boosey

Fowey Estuary Partnership: Cllr Hughes

14/242 Adoption of Annual Accounts to 31st March 2015

Cllr Willmore confirmed that he had studied the year end accounts prepared by the Town Clerk and found them to be an accurate record of FTC's financial position. He then proposed, Cllr Boosey seconded and it was RESOLVED that that the Accounts should be adopted.

14/243 Adoption of the Statement of Assurance to 31st March 2015

Members responded to the questions contained in the Statement in the affirmative and following this Cllr Willmore proposed, Cllr Boosey seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Statement of Assurance should be adopted.

14/244 Introduction of a 40mph Speed Limit B3415, Hillhay

Cllr Delves was concerned that the proposed 40mph limit was still too high and he proposed, Cllr Willmore seconded and it was RESOLVED that FTC should respond to the consultation stating that the existing 30mph limit should be extended to the Four Turnings side of Du Maurier Drive.

14/245 Arrangements for APM and Annual Meeting

Cllr Finlay confirmed that the NP Steering Group would be providing wine for the APM.

14/246 Questions under Standing Order 21

None.

It was proposed by Cllr Willmore, seconded Cllr Finlay and RESOLVED that the Press & Public should be excluded under Section 1(2) of the Press & Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 because of the confidential nature of the business to be conducted under the agenda item Good Citizens Award

Date of Next Meetings

APM 29th April 2015

Mayor Making 20th May 2015

Civic Service 31st May 2015