

HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2016

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 1 September 2016 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

PRESENT

Councillor N Farrar (Mayor)

Councillors J Bennett, B Capper, G Coad, D Cocks, J Coombe, B Mims, J Ninnes, O Philp,

C Polkinghorne, J Pollard and A Rance

Clerk Eleanor Giggal

7.15PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No one wished to speak.

7.15PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

67 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

It was announced that the Mayor's Sponsored Walk for St Julia's Hospice would take place on Sunday 11 September. Volunteer marshals were thanked and asked to confirm attendance with the clerk.

The Man Engine was hailed as a very successful event.

The official re-opening of Isis Gardens and the start of sluicing the previous week were also mentioned.

68 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Councillor Wills.

69 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

70 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 21 JULY 2016

It was resolved that the minutes of the Full Council meeting 21 July 2016 be taken as a true and accurate record, the mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

71 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 18 AUGUST 2016

It was resolved that the minutes of the Full Council meeting 18 August 2016 be taken as a true and accurate record, the mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

72 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 21 JULY 2016

It was noted that the issue regarding seagulls had not yet been investigated. It was once again suggested that liaison with St Ives Town Council could prove useful.

[7.21pm Cllr Coad joined the meeting.]

It was suggested that the signs on business premises should be the responsibility of the business concerned (Philps). The clerk agreed to explore the issue in the forthcoming spring.

73 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 18 AUGUST 2016

All matters had been dealt with on the night.

74 POLICE AND FIRE SERVICE LIAISON

a) To receive and note the report, if any

No report had been received.

It was agreed that a debate regarding the possible loss of a sergeant from the town and a proposal to consider writing to the chief constable be placed on the next appropriate agenda.

75 REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES FOR APPROVAL

a) To receive the report from the Resource Committee meeting 28 July 2016

It was resolved to receive and approve the report so that actions and recommendations could be carried out.

76 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES/WORKING PARTIES/EVENTS

Regarding the Neighbourhood Plan, Councillor Bennett requested that a proposal to form a small subcommittee which would create a community action plan be placed on the next agenda. He added that he did not want to be included in the subcommittee. Although it would not have the status of a policy in the Neighbourhood Plan, the community action plan would list community benefits – such as a park or community hall – that the community in Hyale would like.

It was noted that the ASDA/Foundry Day would take place on Saturday 10 September.

77 ACCOUNTS

a) To approve the Income and Expenditure of the Council 2016/2017 as listed on Appendix B

It was clarified that entries 221 and 222 (Payments List July 2016) were correct; in April the Resource committee had resolved to split the cost of planters equally between the general fund and contingency budget codes.

It was confirmed that the payment listed as 141 for Internal Audit was made to a suitably qualified and competent person. It was explained that this was a separate function to the legally required councillor internal audit which took place twice a year.

It was resolved to approve the Income and Expenditure of the Council 2016/17 as listed on Appendix B.

78 CONSULTATION: TO CONSIDER CORNWALL COUNCIL'S QUESTIONS REGARDING THE NUMBER OF CORNWALL COUNCILLORS FROM 2021 AS PART OF THE ELECTORAL REVIEW PROCESS

There was a discussion regarding the benefits and disadvantages of having volunteer part time councillors paid smaller financial allowances versus full time professional councillors paid larger salaries and whether it might be preferable to have fewer of the latter instead of the current number of the former. One of the main issues that arose was whether or not there was enough work for 123 councillors and/or that some councillors pulled their weight much more than others. It was noted that nothing had changed since it had been determined that the unitary authority Cornwall Council (CC) would need 123 councillors.

It was resolved to respond that Hayle Town Council thinks that the number of Cornwall Councillors is about right.

79 PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION: PROPOSED DIVERSION OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH 57 IN RELATION TO PA15/10513, THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE R AND J SUPPLIES SITE, COPPER TERRACE, COPPERHOUSE, HAYLE

Councillors had no objection in principle with the diversion of the footpath, but were concerned that the footpath as delineated on the map was unsafe as it had been placed down the centre of the road.

It was resolved that the footpath should be a safe, delineated footpath and therefore be moved to the left or the right of the road, from down its centre. It was also important that vehicular access along the back lane from both ends be maintained. The wording in the box second from the bottom on the left of the map should read "Footpath 57 to be retained" (not returned).

80 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

a) Hayle Harbour Update

It was noted that sluicing had started. Negotiations between CC and Corinthian Land Ltd were progressing the town council would be contacted when an update from Simon Wright had been received.

It was noted that Simon Wright had reportedly said that he had not been able to find a developer for the harbour and so Corinthian Land Ltd were likely to develop it themselves.

b) Cornwall Council Update

The telegraph pole on Trelissick Road had been removed, after 14 months of struggling to get rid of it.

The barriers opposite the end of Penpol Creek were longer and better than hoped for or expected and were now in place.

Repairs were in the pipeline for the drains opposite the pedestrian crossing Roma Court/McColls.

It was noted that there was now a locked gate preventing access to the pathway between McColls and the railway station, but that this had never been a public right of way.

Congratulations were given regarding the replanting and landscaping of Isis Gardens, but concern was expressed that the 'kiss gates' at Isis Gardens could lead to accidents as people had been seen running out onto the road. It was pointed out, however, that there was only a slight gap to allow people through and that the whole area would be sealed off if the barrier was totally closed. It was noted that a litter bin was to be located in Isis Gardens. Regarding questions about restoring/saving the Isis plaque, councillors were reminded that the gardens were not the responsibility of the town council, but of either CC or the RNLI.

There was a discussion regarding the gates on the unofficial but long used footpath to the towans at North Quay: whether the footpath was a right of way now threatened with closure, what could be done about it and why and by whom the original footpath had been moved/replaced. It was noted that the responsible CC officer had allowed closure of the gates overnight as an interim measure because she believed people could get around the gates when they were closed. It was suggested that the town council apply for a modification order, but it was noted that any footpath resulting from a modification order must be maintained at the town council's expense. It was agreed that the issue would be placed on a future second meeting of the month agenda under the standing item 'Footpaths'.

It was noted that complaints regarding people parking on Fore Street all day had been received.

The order regarding the placement of double yellow lines on Lethlean Lane was proceeding and the lines were expected to be in place next year.

Councillors were reminded that according to HTC's planning policy if they wanted to call a planning application in to CC's Planning Committee in the case of disagreement between the town council and CC's planning officers, they needed to resolve to state this when the planning application was being considered by Hayle Town Council. Otherwise it would be deemed that the town council had 'agreed to disagree'. It was agreed that all councillors be copied into the email decisions of planning officers in the case of a disagreement.

c) Community Asset & Devolution of Services Update

The clerk reported that she had agreed to take back responsibility for the Recreation Ground on behalf of the council. Jon Mitchell had tried to hand over King George V Memorial Walk but the clerk was waiting to hear from Mike Peters regarding work on the landslide before she would accept it. Details regarding the laying of drainage pipes and how the collapse was being resolved were unknown. The greenhouse was finished and looking lovely and only teething issues were outstanding. Councillors agreed that the Walk should not be taken on until all issues had been resolved.

It was noted that the vegetation growth in the Plantation Wall had been sprayed and was dying off.

The lack of maintenance of the area in front of Commercial Road car park was raised. The clerk had received information from CC that claimed car parks had no budget to routinely maintain grassy/cultivated areas and would only react if there was a number of complaints logged or a health and safety issue. Councillor Pollard claimed that these areas were not part of the car park, but were considered public amenity spaces and as such needed to be maintained. The clerk agreed to forward the relevant email to Councillor Pollard and he agreed to follow up on the issue.

d) Healthcare Issues Update

It was noted that during August only one ward at St Michael's had been open because there had been a reduced demand for elective surgery and the opportunity for a deep clean and some refurbishment of the closed ward had been taken. The closed ward would be re-opened in due course.

81 CLERK'S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE/MEETINGS/INCIDENTALS

- a) Correspondence
 - i) To consider the letter from George Eustice MP regarding Mr Hampson's request for additional signage/fingerposts

Fingerposts had been part of the original S106 agreement regarding South Quay. HTC had agreed sites and paint colours a significant length of time ago but the fingerposts had not yet been installed. It was suggested that more money might have been offered/agreed during the negotiations with ASDA regarding the amendments to food and non-food sales ratios. The clerk agreed to contact Jeremy Content to investigate both issues.

There was a discussion regarding the purpose of fingerposts and how they could be obtained. It was also suggested that business/local interest location maps around the town could be updated/increased and the clerk informed members that there was a small amount of money set aside for such purposes. It was noted, however, that businesses should also be responsible for their own advertising.

It was resolved to write to George Eustice MP to explain that the issue was in hand and would be followed up by the clerk, who would chase the relevant CC planning officer to ensure that the S106 be fulfilled.

ii) To consider the letter from Mr Ellwood regarding the noise disturbance, during anti-social hours, caused by tractors in the Guildford Road area

There was a discussion regarding the extent of the noise disturbance. It was suggested that the 'tractors' might in fact be 'fast track' vehicles which can do 60mph+ on red diesel, do not require

operators' licences or MOTs and that the traffic commissioner at Bristol should be contacted and made aware of the situation.

It was resolved to support the letter from Mr Ellwood and to inform him that Hayle Town Council supports the concept of having a quiet/low noise road surface installed.

iii) To note that King George V Memorial Walk has once again received the Green Flag Award

It was resolved to note the award and congratulate Hayle in Bloom and the town council's gardening team, including the volunteers.

iv) To re-consider names for Cornwall Council's proposal to designate areas of Hayle Beach as Bathing Water Beaches

It was resolved to inform Jolyon Sharpe at Cornwall council that the beach referred to as Beach view in the recent bathing water designation consultation is in fact locally known as Common Towans and that Hayle Town Council would like any future reference to it named as such.

b) Meetings

06/09/16	10am	Sponsored Walk Meeting	Town Clerk's
			office
06/09/16	2.30pm	WCCCTV Meeting	Tolvaddon, Fire
			HQ
07/09/16	7.30pm	Public Meeting St Ives TC	The Guildhall,
		regarding Lelant Traffic Issues	St Ives
08/09/16	5.30pm	Castle Kayle/Solar Farm Money	Town Clerk's
		Meeting	office
		(Mayor, Cllrs Coombe and Rance,	
		EG And DG)	
08/09/16	7.30pm	Hayle Harbour Committee	
		CANCELLED	
10/09/16		Foundry Day	
11/09/16	2.30pm	Mayor's Sponsored Walk in aid of	King George V
	3.30pm	Cornwall Hospice Care	Memorial Walk
15/09/16	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly
			Room, Hayle
			Community
			Centre
19/09/16	7.30pm	Hayle Chamber of Commerce	PEI
22/09/16	7.30pm	Amenities Committee	Assembly
			Room, Hayle
			Community
			Centre

c) Incidentals

It was stated that the incidentals were available on request.

The meeting closed at 8.58pm.			
Approved by the Council as a true record, at its meeting 15 September 2016			
Town Mayor	Date		