



## **HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**THURSDAY 18 JULY 2013**

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 18 July 2013 commencing at 7.15 pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

### **PRESENT**

Councillor J Ninnes (Mayor)

Councillors J Bennett, B Capper, G Coad, D Cocks, J Coombe, N Farrar, L Fox, R Lello, H Lyons, B Mims, O Philp, C Polkinghorne and J Pollard.

Town Clerk Eleanor Giggall

### **7.15PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

Mr Noall voiced concern over the perpetual problem of poor parking on Cross Street. He explained that he had raised this issue on several previous occasions with local Councillors but the problem had not been resolved. He was concerned that people were parking their vehicles partly on the pavements and partly on the road on both sides of the street. He was concerned that access was sometimes restricted to the local residents and their homes but he was also worried that in the case of an emergency, response vehicles would not be able to pass.

### **The meeting commenced at 7.18 pm**

#### **311 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (For Information Only)**

The Mayor reminded Councillors of the following forthcoming events:- a) RSPB Event on Monday 22 July at Hayle Day Care Centre, b) Code of Conduct Training for all Councillors on Thursday 25 July and c) The Raft Race would be taking place on the afternoon of Sunday 28 July.

The Mayor also took this opportunity to welcome Councillor Louise Fox to the Council. Councillor Fox had been elected at the recent Special Co-option. The Mayor wished her well and hoped that she would enjoy her new role.

#### **312 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Rance.

#### **313 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Coombe and Pollard declared interests in agenda item 9a (Minute 319a refers) and made the following statement: "In commenting on these applications I should make it clear that my comments are based on the information currently available and do not commit

me to taking the same position if the matter is discussed at the Cornwall Council Planning Committee and full information is available.”

**314 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF 6 JUNE 2013 AND 4 JULY 2013**

**It was resolved** that the minutes of the Full Council meetings of 6 June 2013 and 4 July 2013 be taken as a true and accurate record, the Mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

[7.22 p.m. Councillor Coad joined the meeting]

**315 TO DISCUSS MATTERS WHICH WERE RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 4 JULY 2013**

- a) To consider Mr Pellegrinetti’s suggestion of a Think Tank/ Working Party, which comprises elected and unelected local representatives, to formulate a future plan for the development of infrastructure for Hayle

**It was resolved** to note Mr Pellegrinetti’s suggestions and that the Mayor should brief him on the existing groups and working parties. The Mayor and/or Clerk to also alert him to any forthcoming public consultation opportunities to ensure he does not miss his chance to be involved.

**316 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM MARK SNOWDON OF SNOWDON & RUDD LIMITED, REGARDING THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE FORMER AMBULANCE YARD AT 70 PENPOL TERRACE**

The Mayor welcomed both Messrs Rudd and Snowden to the meeting. They presented the amended drawings of the proposed development for the former Ambulance Yard. The proposal now comprised eight 2-bedroom flats, one 3-bedroom flat/maisonette and one 3-bedroom house. It was explained that since the last application further reports, including a bat and owl survey, a contamination report, a flood risk assessment and topological survey, had been carried out as had been requested. They also explained that in the revised design the roof height had been significantly reduced, in total by 1.4 metres and that the proposal is considered to be more neighbourly.

In the question and answer session that followed it was confirmed that the planning officer dealing with this application still had concerns about the size of the development and that there had been no reduction in the actual number of dwellings proposed. There would be no designated affordable homes in the scheme as the scheme is considered too small but it is anticipated that the 2-bedroom flats would be on the open market at between £115,000 and £125,000. There would be a contribution to the local infrastructure fund which equates to £27,500 should the development be permitted. The flood risk assessment was deemed satisfactory particularly as there was integral parking beneath the dwellings (1 space per unit). At this time there had been no response from Cornwall Council’s conservation officer.

Other than asking questions, Councillors made no comments. The Mayor thanked both gentlemen and they left the meeting.

**317 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM NEIL FARRINGTON, SUSTAINABLE ENERGY PROJECTS MANAGER AT COMMUNITY ENERGY PLUS, REGARDING THE WESTERN POWER DISTRIBUTION NEIGHBOURHOOD ELECTRICITY DEMAND CHALLENGE**

Unfortunately Neil Farrington was unable to attend but Nicola McCheyne was able to attend and present on his behalf. Please see the briefing note, Appendix B.

Nicola introduced herself and gave a brief background about what the Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE), based at Tolvadden, does.

She continued to explain that this trial, in collaboration with Western Power Distribution, was primarily targeted at the houses in the town centre and the area towards the hospital but they would be willing to work with anyone within the Hayle area. The project aims to assist financially bereft families but also those more affluent households that could still benefit from savings. Nicola explained that they are looking at providing loft insulation, cavity wall insulation and other measures which may well tie in with other initiatives that CSE are currently working on in Cornwall, such as the Winter Well Being Project, Park Home Scheme, Homehealth Project etc.

A number of community events would be taking place in the next few weeks to help promote this initiative and she and/or colleagues would be willing to attend various club meetings to help spread the news of this scheme. She explained that CSE is keen to work with other agencies and volunteer groups such as Hayle Foodbank. She supplied a number of cards with her contact details on and asked the Council to back the scheme.

**It was resolved** to strongly support the challenge.

The Mayor thanked Nicola for her presentation.

**318 TO CONSIDER THE RESPONSE FROM THE PRINCIPAL FUNDER IN RESPECT OF THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS FOR THE BEACH ACCESS PROJECT (SEE LETTER OF 4 JULY 2013 TO CORNWALL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY- REPLY AWAITED – AND RELEVANT EMAILS) AND GENERAL UPDATE**

The Clerk explained that she had now received a verbal response from Cornwall Development Company confirming that it had been considered that the original procurement was flawed and that it would be necessary to conduct the whole process again. The Clerk explained that due to the previously agreed time extension it would still be possible within the frame time. The matter had been flagged up as new Cornwall Council officers had been brought in to progress the scheme.

The Clerk also presented a brief update explaining that the planning application would shortly be submitted, a licence from the Marine Management Organisation was being sought and that it had been confirmed that the Duchy Foreshore would be unaffected by the proposed works, providing all works are carried out above the mean high water mark.

**It was resolved** to re-advertise and tender the contract to build and install the beach access ramp.

**It was further resolved** that should any works during construction need to be carried out below the mean high water mark, an agreement be reached with the Duchy that no rent need be paid.

**319 PLANNING MATTERS**

- a) To consider Planning Applications: PA13/00949; PA13/00951; PA13/04040; PA13/04098; PA13/04818; PA13/04716; PA13/05235; PA13/05255; PA13/04839; PA13/05161; PA13/05380; PA13/05516; PA13/04835; PA13/05963; PA13/05666; PA13/05256 and PA13/05772

**For the resolutions on individual planning applications see Appendix A attached.**

- b) To note the results of previous applications

There were none to note.

- c) Hayle Town Framework Update

There was no new information.

**320 FOOTPATHS**

- a) Maintenance Update

The Clerk advised that due to funding issues PAROW had had to close down all of its activities, including all maintenance and therefore had had to let its two footpath officers go. Further funding had been applied for and it was hoped that this was a temporary setback and normal service would be resumed in the future.

Concern was also expressed over the section of the Coastal Footpath near the Haven Holiday Site. Apparently sections are overgrown and nearly impassable. The Clerk explained that the Coastal Footpaths was maintained by Cornwall Council and she undertook to report the complaint to that body.

The meeting closed at 10.06 pm.

Approved by the Council as a true record, at its meeting 5 September 2013

**Town Mayor.....Date.....**