



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 2 APRIL 2015

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 2 April 2015 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

PRESENT

Councillor G Coad (Mayor)

Councillors J Bennett, B Capper, J Coombe, D Cocks, N Farrar, L Fox, J Ninnes, O Philp, and J Pollard

Finance Assistant David Gallie

7.16PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Robert Jones attended to raise the issue of the alleged invalidity of the planning application regarding 2 Caroline Row and spoke on behalf of the neighbouring residents, who he said were aggrieved with Cornwall Council (CC) and Hayle Town Council (HTC) due to the lack of satisfactory answers to their complaints.

It was pointed out to Mr Jones that the only mechanism to correct a planning approval was to request a judicial review, but that the deadline for this opportunity had passed and their only route now was to sue for compensation in the civil court.

Mr Jones was concerned that the application had been approved despite the fact the proposed building was in a flood zone. He said that planning officers were not using simple maths calculations.

Mr Jones was told that his emails regarding this subject had been received by CC (copied to HTC) and that he had made a strong, detailed case, but that the planning officer concerned was on leave. The Planning Department had noted that the issues raised were on two main grounds: firstly, the planning permission was invalid because there was no access across a lane, which only the residents had rights to; secondly, that the site was in a flood zone. With regard to the first issue CC had given the advice that this was a civil matter, but Mr Jones claimed that this was a red herring as the certificates in the original application were not correct. However, he was told that each certificate supersedes the one before it and the planning officers at CC did not believe that the certificates were incorrect and that they had indeed followed due process. The second matter was one for the Environment Agency and the Planning Authority.

Mr Jones was advised that although it sympathised with the residents, HTC had done all it could do at the Full Council meeting when the application had been considered for comment, when it advised the residents that Members of the Town Council were not experts and it was recommended that they get independent legal advice on the matter.

Mr Jones asked Councillor Pollard if he would speak to Jeremy Content, Planning Officer at CC regarding the matter.

It was agreed that unless there was any new information regarding the application, the matter would not appear on a future agenda of the Town Council.

7.28PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

255 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

It was announced that there would be a Special Full Council meeting at 6.30pm on 9 April 2015 to co-opt a new Member.

256 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Mims, Polkinghorne and Rance.

257 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

258 POLICE LIAISON

- a) To receive and note the monthly report for March 2015

PC Kevin Silver attended the meeting and introduced his colleague PC Darren Saint, who had worked in St Ives for the last 12 years, and who now frequently came to Hayle (with Hayle PCs also going to St Ives). He said that police officers from the Hayle team and the St Ives team were working together to ease absences in teams when required.

The issue of moving from monthly to quarterly reports and police representation at Town Council meetings so that the police could spend more time on active police matters was discussed.

It was resolved that Hayle Town Council is happy for the police to send a report and representative to Full Council on a quarterly basis.

PC Silver pointed out that crime figures could be sourced on the police website, although the figures would not be as up to date as those provided in the reports for Council. Councillors requested a quarterly report in advance so that they could have an informed conversation when police representatives attended meetings.

Councillors were advised to call the 101 number if they wanted to report an issue so that it would be officially logged. The log would provide evidence and police intervention/attention would be more likely the more logs an issue received.

The Mayor thanked PCs Kevin Silver and Darren Saint for attending and presenting the monthly report.

It was resolved to note the report (see Appendix A).

259 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 19 MARCH 2015

It was resolved that the minutes of the Full Council meeting 19 March 2015 be taken as a true and accurate record, the Mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

260 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 19 MARCH 2015

There were no matters to discuss.

261 REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES FOR APPROVAL

- a) To receive the report from the Resource Committee meeting 27 November 2014

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- b) To receive the report from the Resource Committee meeting 11 December 2014

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262 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES/WORKING PARTIES/EVENTS

It was reported that Hayle in Bloom had elected a new committee, which was generally keen and enthusiastic, but which was reluctant to organise the annual Hayle in Bloom Celebration Day. Councillors were disappointed to hear that the Celebration Day might not take place as it was well attended and successful, although it was noted that it had been funded by Hayle in Bloom which did not have the physical or financial capacity to continue to support it.

Various suggestions of other groups which might be willing to take over the organisation of the Celebration Day were made and it was agreed that the Town Council would support it financially as it was a very positive event for the local community.

It was resolved to write to Nigel Powell, the new Chair of the Hayle in Bloom Committee, Margaret Tanner, of Hayle in Bloom, the Lions Club, the Rotary Club and Councillor Bob Mims to invite them to a meeting to discuss how to proceed with an annual Hayle Celebration Day and to inform them that Hayle Town Council is keen to support such an event financially.

263 ACCOUNTS

- a) To approve the Income and Expenditure of the Council 2014/2015 as listed on Appendix B

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264 CONSULTATIONS

- a) To consider Cornwall Council's Disabled free parking consultation and to complete the related questionnaire

The consultation papers were discussed and disgust was expressed that people with blue badges were going to be expected to pay for parking in CC-run car parks, where those with nil road tax discs had been able to park for free. It was acknowledged that some blue badge holders were in a financial position to contribute to car parking fees, but it was agreed that it was worth sacrificing the little income that would be lost from those who currently pay so that those who would not be able to afford the new fees would still be able to access local car parks. It was also noted that free car parking in car parks for all blue badge holders would reduce the need for parking on double yellow lines, which would no doubt increase if the proposals in the consultation documents were to go ahead.

It was resolved to complete and submit the questionnaire (see Appendix C).

265 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Hayle Harbour Update

It was reported that an acknowledgement from Phil Mason, Planning Department at CC, regarding the Town Council's request for CC to seek an extension to the deed of undertaking with ING had been received and was being acted on.

It was reported that one more permission from the Department of Transport regarding the construction of the footbridge over Penpol Creek was awaited.

- b) Cornwall Council Update

It was reported that CC's policy of encouraging the transfer of libraries to community groups had been stopped by national government policy, which now required a 10-week consultation for such transfers. It was hoped that community involvement would happen and that Hayle Library and the One Stop Shop would remain open.

It was reported that the road management census at the Lethlean Lane Recreation Ground/Jubilee Path crossing would be undertaken in May and September.

It was reported that a new drain would be installed in the next few weeks to solve the flooding problem at Roma Court on Penpol Terrace.

- c) Community Asset & Devolution of Services Update

It was reported that a paper with proposals for moving forward had been presented to the Amenities Committee the previous week and was due to go to the Resource Committee the following week and then onward to Full Council the week after that.

- d) Healthcare Issues

There was nothing new to report.

266 CLERK'S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE/MEETINGS/INCIDENTALS

- a) To consider the correspondence from Russell Gardner on behalf of 3MS Construction Ltd regarding his request for suggestions for the naming/numbering of the 6 Carnsew Road development

It was resolved to suggest Carnsew Court or Carnsew View.

- b) To consider the email correspondence from Peter Heron, Stakeholder & Customer Liaison Manager at EM Highway Services Ltd, regarding the proposed closure of the Strawberry Lane Bridge over the A30 to Strawberry Lane traffic for approximately 10 weeks in approximately one year's time

It was resolved to note the correspondence.

- c) To consider the email correspondence from Councillor Polkinghorne regarding his proposal that Hayle Town Council invite relevant representatives to a single subject meeting regarding education

There was a general discussion regarding the proposal, the schools in the town, the role of Cornwall Council regarding education and what the Town Council might be able to offer local head teachers, whose time was already stretched.

It was resolved to write to the Head Teachers of Bodriggy Academy, Penpol School, Connor Downs Primary School and Hayle Community School informing them of Councillor Polkinghorne's suggestion to invite them to a meeting with Hayle Town Council and asking them if this was something they would welcome and if so, what issues they thought Hayle Town Council could assist with.

- d) Clerk's report

There was no Clerk's report as the Clerk was away on holiday. Next month's report would cover both March and April 2015.

- e) Meetings

09/04/15	6.30pm	Special Co-option Council Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
09/04/15	7.30pm	Resource Committee (G&D) Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
13/4/15	7.15pm	Hayle Twinning Association	Hayle Asda
16/04/15	9.00am	Transfer of Open Spaces Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
16/04/15	7.00pm	Annual Town Electors Meeting Followed by	Assembly Room, Hayle

		Full Council	Community Centre
22/04/15	10.00am	Towans Partnership Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
28/04/15	2.00pm	West Cornwall Management Group CCTV	Camborne TC
07/05/15	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
14/05/15	7.30 pm	Annual Council Meeting	Hayle Day Care Centre

f) Incidentals

It was stated that the incidentals were available on request.

The meeting closed at 8.32pm.

Approved by the Council as a true record, at its meeting 16 April 2015

Town Mayor.....

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