



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2017

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 21 September 2017 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

PRESENT

Councillor N Farrar (Mayor)

Councillors S Benney, B Capper, P Channon, G Coad, D Cocks, B Mims and P Nidds

Clerk Eleanor Giggall

7.15PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Paul Richards was in attendance to answer any questions regarding planning application PA17/07577. He was aware that the planning officer required a Heritage Impact Statement and had obtained an estimate of the cost, but had not heard any more about it.

Mr Bawden, resident of Copper Terrace, spoke regarding planning application PA15/10513. He was favour of development of the site, but his objections from last year remained the same and he had heard nothing from the applicant or Cornwall Council (CC)'s planning department. He was concerned about maintenance of his property in the light of confusing plans, some of which showed the new buildings abutting his property. Mr Bawden was advised that Hayle Town Council (HTC) had asked for Mr Bawden to be contacted by someone responsible for the application in its comments when this application had been considered previously. He was advised to look at his deeds and take independent legal advice and to contact the planning officer, Peter Bainbridge, as HTC was only a formal consultee. Mr Bawden thanked councillors for their time. Mr Maskell, the developer at the site, made his presence known and said he would put Mr Bawden's mind at rest and would confirm that he would put in a necessary space next to Mr Bawden's house and that he was happy to discuss the issue with Mr Bawden.

Emma Holmes of 57 St Johns Street spoke regarding planning application PA17/08188. She wanted to improve the thermal efficiency of the existing conservatory and to replace a window that had been removed in the distant past to avoid the window tax. She was ready to answer any queries councillors might have.

Rob Jones spoke regarding planning application PA17/06782 and was ready to answer any questions.

Alison Cartwright spoke regarding planning application PA17/08296 and was also ready to answer any questions. The clerk reminded councillors that she had circulated Ms Cartwright's email and documents earlier that day.

No questions were asked by councillors.

Mr Maskell spoke regarding planning application PA15/10513. He provided copies of his statement and read it out (see App B.)

7.35PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

84 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

The mayor announced that he had received a letter of resignation from Councillor Ken Townend on 18 September 2017. He had thanked him for his effort and wished him well.

The clerk announced that the formal notice of the vacancy had been published on the town council's website, its Facebook page and noticeboards.

85 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Blakeley, Polkinghorne, Pollard, Rance, Roden and Wills.

86 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Councillor Coad declared an interest in agenda item 10a (minute 93a 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.'

87 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 7 SEPTEMBER 2017

It was resolved that the minutes of the full council meeting 7 September 2017 be taken as a true and accurate record, the mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

88 TO DISCUSS MATTERS WHICH WERE RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 7 SEPTEMBER 2017

No members of the public had been present.

89 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CROWLAS BYPASS ACTION GROUP REGARDING THE POSSIBLE INCLUSION OF THE PENZANCE TO CAMBORNE SECTION OF THE A30 IN HIGHWAYS ENGLAND'S 2020/2025 RIS2 PROGRAMME

The mayor welcomed Charlie Cartwright and invited him to give his presentation.

Mr Cartwright said that the purpose of his presentation was to inform the town council what the action group were doing, why they were doing it and to ask for its support and ideas regarding how they might coordinate solutions to any problems.

A map of the area in question was passed around the table.

Mr Cartwright explained that the A30 west of St Erth roundabout was a major trunk road that cut through the villages, and was the only piece of A30 between Bristol and Penzance to do so. Average traffic flow was 20,000 vehicles per day, rising to 30,000 in the holiday season. There were 400 homes that had traffic passing them, some within only a few metres of their front doors. He said that the local MP had figures that showed that the cost of this to the local economy was more than £3,000,000 per year. At the Hayle end of this stretch of the A30 the Hayle bypass was often a traffic jam and it had been noted that GPS traffic advice directed visitors through Hayle if the bypass was jammed. It was also hard to get to St Ives.

The solution was a bypass, which had originally been proposed by the Highways Agency in the 1990s and routes had been agreed. The proposed A30 would traverse Splattenridden land via a flyover and traffic engineers had reported that the proposed two-level junction (see App C) would also ease traffic on the Hayle bypass. There was a lot of support from St Erth and from stakeholders such as transport and other businesses in Penzance and St Ives. Mr Cartwright hoped for support from HTC. He added that prior to that year's election the Secretary of State for Transport had come to Crowlas and viewed the traffic, so he believed it was 'on the radar' and Highways England had informed him that there was a significant number of people requesting a bypass at this location. In late January/early February 2018 Highways England would be planning 2020-2025 work, so this was the time to press them to get the bypass underway. He added that the South West was a huge area which included the A303, but he hoped that this small project could be slotted in. St Erth was on a list of 15 potential projects, but the list would be pared down to 10 or 11 and he hoped that the St Erth project would be included on the shortlist. He added that a bigger strategic plan on the A30 was being submitted by local politicians for A30 Camborne to Penzance improvements, but he thought this project would be allocated to a later period.

John Matthews also spoke. He said that the Crowlas bypass would have big implications for Hayle particularly due to the new Hub at St Erth, which had been started and was much needed but would also increase traffic along this stretch of the A30. Journey time would be extended although safety would be improved. This would increase the importance of removing traffic to Penzance from the junction. He added that the bypass project needed support from all local town and parish councils.

In answer to questions, Mr Cartwright said that he believed some monitoring of emissions had started; the project was costed at around £25,000,000 (some thought this was a very conservative estimate, although Mr Matthews said that comparisons with roadworks at Temple were not comparable as that was for a 'live' road and this project would be different).

Councillors were pleased that members of the public were organising themselves and campaigning vigorously for the bypass.

It was resolved to support the Crowlas Bypass Action Group's campaign for the inclusion of the Penzance to Camborne section of the A30, and in particular a Newtown to St Erth A30 bypass, in Highways England's 2020/2025 RIS2 Programme.

The mayor thanked Charlie Cartwright and John Matthews for attending the meeting and giving their presentation.

90 TO SUPPORT CORNWALL COUNCIL'S BID TO GOVERNMENT FOR A SHARE OF ITS HOUSING INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

All councillors recognised the importance to Hayle in particular and Cornwall in general of Cornwall Council's bids for a share of the government's Housing Infrastructure Fund.

It was resolved to give strong support to all of Cornwall Council's bids to government for a share of its Housing Infrastructure Fund.

91 TO CONSIDER HAYLE IN BLOOM'S REQUEST FOR A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE COST OF ATTENDING THE SOUTH WEST IN BLOOM PRESENTATION DAY IN TORQUAY

It was resolved to contribute the whole cost of £360 for Hayle in Bloom's representatives to attend the presentation day.

It was suggested that at budget time costs for this annual event be included for future years from contingency funds.

92 HAYLE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Councillor Capper reported that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (NPSG) would soon be submitting the final draft of the Hayle plan; a few technical issues had needed to be addressed so that it would not be rejected by CC; he believed the issue regarding Sandy Acres as reported previously had been resolved.

The next meeting of the NPSG would take place on Tuesday 3 October and it was hoped that the final draft would then be finished and submitted to CC.

93 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) To consider Planning Applications: PA17/07217; PA17/06852; PA17/07154; PA17/06782; PA15/10513; PA17/07783; PA17/07577; PA17/07619; PA17/07774; PA17/07674; PA17/07675; PA17/06540; PA17/08009; PA17/08296; PA17/07608; PA17/07838; PA17/07781; PA17/08077; PA17/08188; PA17/08452; and PA17/08708

[8.17pm Councillor Coad declared an interest and left the room during the discussion and vote regarding PA17/07783. He returned at 8.18pm.]

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

- b) To note the results of previous applications

It was resolved to note the results of previous applications.

94 FOOTPATHS

- a) Maintenance Update

It was reported that the second cuts were now happening, slightly behind schedule. The clerk had been given the name of the Cormac officer taking the lead with cutting footpaths and they

had come to an agreement that as some footpaths needed less regular cutting other footpaths could receive more cuts if necessary.

It was noted that the grass cutting of HTC sites was better than it had ever been.

Concerns regarding deficits in CC's grass cutting in Hayle had been raised with CC and there was nothing more HTC could do.

There was a brief discussion regarding the positive outcome of the site visits with Green Infrastructure 4 Growth.

It was noted that the width of Jubilee Path needed to be maintained. The clerk agreed to ask the town council's staff to rectify the encroachment of vegetation onto the path.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Approved by the council as a true record, at its meeting 5 October 2017

Town Mayor

Date