



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 5 JANUARY 2017

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 5 January 2017 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, I Lawrence, B Mims,
J Ninnes, O Philp, C Polkinghorne, J Pollard and B Wills

Clerk Eleanor Giggall

7.17PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No members of the public were present.

7.17 PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

166 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

There were no announcements.

167 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Councillor Rance.

168 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

169 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 15 DECEMBER 2016

It was resolved that the minutes of the Full Council meeting 15 December 2016 be taken as a true and accurate record, the mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

170 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 15 DECEMBER 2016

All matters had been dealt with on the night.

171 HAYLE EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNITY STATION REPORT

- a) To receive and note the report, if any

No report had been received.

172 REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES FOR APPROVAL

There were none.

173 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES/WORKING PARTIES/EVENTS

Councillor Bennett reported that the grant funding for the SEA relating to the Neighbourhood Plan had been applied for.

174 ACCOUNTS

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

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

175 CONSULTATIONS

- a) To consider and discuss the local Sustainability and Transformation Plan outline document Taking Control, Shaping Our Future: Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly Health and Social Care Plan 2016 – 2021 and complete the related survey

It was noted that the survey had no ‘group’ or ‘council’ option and it was suggested that councillors complete the survey as individuals. Councillor Coad undertook to circulate the survey on Facebook to encourage members of the public to complete it.

The purpose of the Sustainability and Transformation Plan was discussed; it was explained that this was the first and very early stage in changes that would be made to the provision of both NHS and Social Care services. It was agreed that a careful eye should be kept on developments, especially as the NHS needed to save money and proposals would probably be to cut services; for example, it would be important to ensure that alternative provision be in place before any community hospitals were closed.

[7.23pm Councillor Capper joined the meeting.]

The issue of access to services in West Cornwall was raised and it was agreed that it was an important issue. It was recognised that there might be a need to amalgamate provision of care, but that it was essential that the access to that provision be fair for all. It was noted that for the residents of West Cornwall access to centralised services would be difficult and expensive from outlying rural areas, especially for people without their own transport.

It was resolved to write to Cornwall Councillor Jim McKenna and the Royal Cornwall Hospitals Trust/NHS Kernow to report that although Hayle Town Council recognises that there might be a need to amalgamate provision of care, it is essential that the access to that provision be fair for all. Access to centralised services for residents of West Cornwall is difficult and expensive from outlying rural areas, especially for people without their own transport.

It was also resolved that town councillors complete the related survey as individuals.

- b) To consider and discuss NHS Kernow's Non-emergency Patient Transport document and complete the related survey

This agenda item was considered at the same time as agenda item 10a (Minute 175a refers) and it was resolved to respond in the same way.

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176 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Hayle Harbour Update

Councillor Pollard was asked to explain the recent planning application on Cornwall Council (CC)'s website relating to Hayle Harbour, with the owners and CC working together for a Planning Partnership Scheme (PPS). It was of concern that such a partnership would make it difficult for a planning officer to make a decision regarding approval or refusal of the scheme independently. Councillor Pollard confirmed that any proposed planning application for the harbour would need to follow the usual existing process and that no one would be able to interfere or fast track it. He added that in his opinion the involvement of CC was vital to ensuring that the harbour would be developed according to the wishes of the people of Hayle. There had been discussions between CC and the harbour owners to ensure that CC's investment was capitalized upon, bringing the desired housing, jobs etc. It was up to the owners to carry out the development, but CC officers would take a stance to ensure Hayle would get the development it required. No decisions had yet been made by CC.

It was pointed out that the PPS related only to the development of North Quay and concerns remained that if the focus was only on North Quay the development of the whole harbour might be in jeopardy with, for example, the developers walking away before all the housing was built and potentially no affordable housing built at all.

Although CC's financial interest was in North Quay only, following some discussion it was confirmed that for North Quay (and therefore the financial investment) to be successful the whole of the harbour needed to be developed properly, with a workable harbour, and that CC would want to see a plan for the whole area. Hayle residents could be confident that CC's Chief Executive had said that Hayle had been and remained a priority. Any private developer would have to consult closely with CC to ensure that any plan would benefit the whole of Hayle.

The issue of silting negatively affecting access into the harbour was also raised.

It was also reported that John Carter, Chair of the Hayle Fishermen's Association, had died just before Christmas and there was no obvious successor. There were now insufficient fishermen

who could afford to pay their harbour costs and the facilities would now have to be run by the harbourmaster, not the fishermen.

In answer to a question regarding the availability of funding to clear the channel following repair to the breach in the wall by the sluiceways, Councillor Bennett informed members that the breach had cost close to £100,000, rather than the expected £30,000, and that although the insurers were paying they would now inspect all the walls and it looked likely that the insurance premium would become prohibitive. Councillor Pollard pointed out that as long as the harbour remained in private hands this would be a problem, but that even if CC did take it over there would not be an influx of financial investment.

Councillors were reminded that the harbourmaster's report was available in the incidentals as attachments to the reports from the Hayle Harbour Advisory Committee.

b) Cornwall Council Update

Councillor Wills reported that Penwith Community Development Trust had received £700 from the Cornwall Councillors' Community Chest for goalposts at Bay View Terrace, which should be erected by the spring. For safety reasons there would be no goal nets.

Councillor Pollard urged members to apply for the remaining money in the Community Chest which needed to be spent by 17 February.

Positive comments on the Recreation Ground were received and the clerk advised members of an insurance claim for an alleged injury caused by a gate at the tennis courts, that she had met with the insurer's inspector that morning and that documentation had been requested from CC.

Councillor Pollard raised the matter of an email he had received from CC's Affordable Housing Team regarding Loggan's Mill which asked for the town council's support for its proposal to obtain a survey on the mill regarding its current condition. He and Hayle Town Council had been working on possible plans for the mill's future for years, and that over the last eight years he had fought hard for it at CC, which had spent £10,000 on a feasibility study which had shown that the only viable thing that it could be used for was housing. CC had had discussions with Coastline regarding using the mill for affordable housing. It was also noted that the future of Loggan's Mill was also in the draft Neighbourhood Plan which the town council had resolved to support. Members unanimously agreed to support the actions outlined in the email and to inform the Affordable Housing Team that they were extremely keen to see this unique building preserved and developed as quickly as possible.

Councillor Coombe reported that the tree overhanging the hedge on St George's Road just up from Penpol School was expected to have been removed by the end of the day and Councillor Lawrence confirmed that he had seen workmen at the site earlier that day.

Councillor Coad reported that the lights on Springfield Close were now working again.

Councillor Farrar asked that his report that the replacement audible warning at the pedestrian crossing at the Penmare end of the Recreation Ground was too quiet be passed on to the responsible officer at CC.

c) Community Asset & Devolution of Services Update

The clerk reported that she had chased Jon Mitchell regarding the Clifton Terrace landslide, but that she had heard nothing to date. She agreed to report that excess expanding foam on the greenhouse needed to be trimmed off.

It was agreed to keep this standing item on future agendas.

d) Healthcare Issues Update

It was resolved to remove this standing item from future agendas.

177 CLERK'S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE/MEETINGS/INCIDENTALS

a) Meetings

05/01/17	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
10/01/17	7.30pm	War Memorial Working Party POSTPONED	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
11/01/17	1.00pm	Library Working Party Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
12/01/17	7.30pm	Amenities Committee CANCELLED	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
12/01/17	7.30pm	Personnel Committee	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
16/01/17	7.30pm	Hayle Chamber of Commerce	PEI
18/01/17	10.00am	Towans Partnership Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
18/01/17	2.00pm	Hayle Harbour Advisory Committee	PEI
19/01/17	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
26/01/17	7.30pm	Resource Committee	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
31/01/17	2.30pm	West Cornwall CCTV	Fire HQ, Tolvaddon

b) Incidentals

It was stated that the incidentals were available on request.

c) To exclude the press and public for the following item, in accordance with standing order 1c, due to the confidential nature of the business that follows

It was resolved to exclude the press and public.

d) An update regarding and discussion of the clerk's training requirements

A confidential minute is available separately.

e) To re-admit the press and public

It was resolved to re-admit the press and public.

The meeting closed at 9.08pm.

Approved by the Council as a true record, at its meeting 19 January 2017

Town Mayor

Date