



## HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

### COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 6 JULY 2017

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 6 July 2017 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

### PRESENT

Councillor N Farrar (Mayor)

Councillors H Blakeley, S Benney, B Capper, P Channon, G Coad, D Cocks, B Mims, P Nidds, C Polkinghorne, J Pollard, A Rance, A Roden, K Townend and B Wills

Clerk Eleanor Giggall

### 7.15PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

John Bennett, resident and former mayor, explained that he did not wish to steal the mayor's thunder but that he wanted to say a few words about Margaret Tanner and her contribution to the town. He said that he had worked with her on several projects and that she had done so much more than most would ever achieve and that she would be missed by everyone.

Jayne Ninnes, resident, also wanted to thank Margaret Tanner for all she had done for Hayle. She had worked closely with Margaret, especially at the Food bank, and had had the pleasure of selecting Margaret to be Citizen of the Year during her tenure as mayor. She added, making reference to Margaret's Irish heritage, that immigration was fabulous!

Rev Rosemary Winkremasinghe echoed the words of John Bennett and Jayne Ninnes and asked "who will fill all the gaps that Margaret will leave on the numerous community organizations?"

Rev Samuel Marsden simply said "Ditto" and Chris Berry explained that he too had worked closely with Margaret over the years and more recently on the 'Open the Book' project. He said that she would be sorely missed.

### 7.18 PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

### 35 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

[7.19pm Councillor Graham Coad joined the meeting.]

The mayor reported that the council had received a certificate from the Ronnie Richards Memorial Charity. The clerk had collected the award during an event held at Humphry Davy School in Penzance, celebrating the installation of the 200<sup>th</sup> public access defibrillator in Cornwall.

It was explained that, although the order had been placed for the inclusive roundabout for the Recreation Ground, officers had been informed that a newer, improved model would become

available in the autumn. Members briefly considered that a brief delay would be acceptable in view of the fact that an improved model would be installed.

Peter Beare, a former councillor, had passed away and members were advised that his funeral service would be held on Wednesday 12 July at 11am at Phillack Church.

### **36 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

All councillors were present.

### **37 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

There were none.

### **38 TO MAKE A FORMAL PRESENTATION TO MRS MARGARAET TANNER IN RECOGNITION OF HER SERVICES TO THE TOWN AND TO MARK HER RETURN TO IRELAND**

The mayor explained that the council had invited Margaret to attend the meeting so that they could all thank her for everything she had achieved in and given to the town. He said that everything that was good in the town Margaret had had a hand in and he went on to list a number of community organizations and events that she had been involved in or with, which included the food bank, Hayle Decorative Lighting, the raft race, Hayle in Bloom, Churches Together, Cancer Research UK, St Joseph's Church and, of course, the wonderful Hayle Celebration Day.

The mayor told Margaret that she could leave Hayle with her head held high knowing that she had given so much to the town and was an example to us all, adding that Hayle is better for her hard work. He presented Margaret with a town plate and a bouquet of flowers.

Margaret thanked the mayor and summarised her many activities in the town. She also detailed how she had first come to the town and how she had grown to love the town where she had worked, met her husband and raised her family. She thanked the mayor again and everyone in the room.

### **39 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM MELISSA RALF ON CORNWALL COUNCIL'S GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE FOR GROWTH PROJECT AND TO DISCUSS THE SHORTLISTED SITES IN HAYLE**

The mayor welcomed Melissa Ralf, and her colleague Jon James, to the meeting. Ms Ralph gave her presentation, explaining how seven towns, including Hayle, had been selected to receive a share of the funding. See appendix A.

It was explained that only Cornwall Council owned sites (or managed, such as Phillack Closed Cemetery) could be considered to benefit from this scheme. Several sites in Hayle had been suggested and Melissa confirmed that she had looked at most of the sites and she would begin the process of shortlisting the most appropriate sites and come back to discuss the options with the town council. She confirmed that she had already ruled out the land adjacent to the War Memorial as this was considered to be public realm. However sites such as the land at Kernick

Way, Ellis Park and Bayview all showed promise. These areas could benefit from improved access, natural play areas/equipment and some planting of native bulbs and/or wild flower meadows. Melissa emphasized that the idea was not to reduce amenity space but either to utilize under used areas or to enhance the space around the edges of playing fields with a natural planting scheme, making the areas more attractive for all. She had still to visit some sites.

In the question and answer session that followed members expressed the view that this project would have to be carefully managed to ensure that a balance was struck in terms of achieving the natural attractiveness of wild versus unkempt and messy. It was considered that education and involvement with groups, like Hayle in Bloom, residents, councils, schools etc, would be essential to ensure local support. Melissa confirmed that this would be part of the process and the final projects would take into account the feelings of the community.

The mayor thanked both Melissa and Jon for the presentation and attending the meeting.

The clerk informed the meeting that Jon James, Cornwall Council, had information relating to agenda item 13.

**It was resolved** to consider agenda item 13 at this point in the meeting.

**40 TO CONSIDER ADOPTING AND MAINTAINING THE OPEN LAND AT POOL'S COURT OFFERED BY MR W D BLEWETT (JETSUDDEN LTD) ON EXPIRY OF HIS LEGAL OBLIGATION TO MAINTAIN SAID LAND (AS PART OF A PLANNING CONSENT)**

The clerk explained that there was some debate between Cornwall Council and Mr Blewett regarding the expiration date of the S106 agreement. The clerk advised that Jon James could add some information and the mayor allowed him to talk to this agenda item.

Mr James explained that his understanding was that the existing arrangement had not expired. The 21 year period of the obligation began when the 25<sup>th</sup> house of the development became occupied, not when the agreement was made in 1991. Mr James thought that the date was now sometime in 2021, but this needed to be confirmed. He explained that upon expiry of the obligation the site should be offered to Cornwall Council for the sum of £5.00. Cornwall Council did not have to accept the site but if it did a commuted sum for the future maintenance would be required from Mr Blewett.

Councillor Pollard made reference to the s106 and confirmed that the site should be offered to Cornwall Council, but added that the document did not include anything relating to commuted sum. He explained that this site was a burden to Mr Blewett, who had never made a play area as per the s106 agreement, and upon expiry he would be within his rights to try to obtain planning permission on the site. He added that the residents of Pool's Court did not want a building and wanted the area to remain an open space.

**It was resolved** to note and defer this item to allow negotiations between Cornwall Council, Mr Blewett and the residents to continue.

**41 TO RECEIVE A PRE-APP PRESENTATION FROM ROGER GREEN, PDP CONSULTING LTD, REGARDING AMENDED PROPOSALS FOR PA17/02604, 3 CLIFF BUNGALOWS, HAYLE**

Councillors Coad and Pollard declared an interest in this item and made the following statement: - 'In commenting on this 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'.

The mayor welcomed Mr Bryan Green to the table. Bryan Green explained that his colleague, Roger Green, had had to go away and he was attending instead.

Mr Green presented several different examples of recently approved larger scale developments/extensions in the immediate vicinity.

He went on to explain that, in conjunction with the client and the planning officer, the amended designs had taken into account the comments made by the town council and the one objector to the original proposal. The north wall had been brought in and dropped,

**42 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 15 JUNE 2017**

**It was resolved** that the minutes of the full council meeting 15 June 2017 be taken as a true and accurate record, the mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

**43 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 15 JUNE 2017**

All matters raised had been dealt with during the meeting.

**44 REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES FOR APPROVAL**

- a) To receive the report from the Resource Committee meeting 27 April 2017

**It was resolved** to receive the report so that actions could be carried out.

**45 HAYLE EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNITY STATION REPORT**

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

No report had been received.

**46 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES/WORKING PARTIES/EVENTS**

The clerk mentioned that the Library Devolution Working Group was still meeting fortnightly with representatives of Cornwall Council. The last meeting had largely been focused on HR issues and the implications of TUPE, for both the library and one stop shop officers and the cleaning/caretaking team. It was too early in the process to confirm the staffing arrangements but this was something that would have to be considered.

The clerk also confirmed that the order for the additional CCTV cameras had been placed and these would be installed imminently. She briefly referred to the most recent West Cornwall

CCTV Management meeting and reminded members that the agendas and minutes for these and other meetings were always available and listed on the incidentals.

**47 ACCOUNTS**

- a) To approve the Income and Expenditure of the Council 2017/2018 as listed on Appendix B

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

**48 CONSULTATION: THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND'S ELECTORAL REVIEW OF CORNWALL**

**It was resolved** to respond to the public consultation as follows:

Hayle Town Council considers that reducing the number of Cornwall councillors to 87 is too drastic. This council is of the opinion that 99 councillors would be able to take decisions effectively and to represent the interests of the Cornish communities.

**49 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS (FOR REPORTING ONLY)**

- a) Hayle Harbour Update

There was little information available. The Cornwall Councillors confirmed that negotiations between Cornwall Council and the harbour owners were continuing and news was anticipated in September 2017.

- b) Cornwall Council Update

Councillor Coad said that he was on a steep learning curve and had attended several training sessions as a new Cornwall Councillor. He said now that the leadership and committee structures had been established the real work was beginning. He confirmed that he was on the West Area Planning Committee.

Councillor Pollard explained that significant progress had been made with regard to the development of Loggan's Mill. Following the detailed report about sustainable uses for the structure, Coastline Housing had become involved and was working towards submitting a planning application in the near future.

Councillor Pollard warned members that parking permits were now required at Lethlean Close. Devon & Cornwall Housing had recently introduced this scheme and a number of residents and/or visitors had been fined.

He also advised that there was going to be a review of Community Networks and as a consequence he encouraged members to attend the meetings and to be as involved as possible.

It was reported that all but one unit was now let at the Marine Renewables Business Park.

- c) Community Asset & Devolution of Services Update

The clerk said that she and the facilities manager were in the process of working up a pricing structure and protocol for memorial benches following the devolution of this function from Cornwall Council. She also advised that she had been told that work to stabilise the cliff face on King George V Memorial Walk would begin in October/November 2017 and as soon as this work was complete the responsibility for the site would be transferred to this council.

An update on the library had already been given.

## 50 CLERK'S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE/MEETINGS/INCIDENTALS

- a) The consider the email correspondence from Casey Wearne asking for support for her petition to get a central reservation barrier installed on the A30 Hayle Bypass following a further serious accident caused by someone making a U-Turn

There was a lengthy discussion on this subject. The Cornwall Councillors advised that a meeting had recently been held with representatives of Highways England to look at this issue. Unfortunately the options for this length of road were limited as it was a '3 lane highway'.

**It was resolved**, unanimously, to respond to Casey Wearne advising that there are clearly serious issues, this Council is extremely sympathetic and will do everything it can to ensure the highway is made as safe as possible in the future.

- b) To consider the correspondence relating to the proposed street names for the residential development at Viaduct Hill, Hayle

**It was resolved** to advise that the council does not support the name 'Godrevy' as it has no relevance to Hayle and strongly objects to the naming of areas after fictional characters. This council will contact Cornwall Council and will challenge the policy that blocks the use of individual names. If the policy cannot be changed this council reserves the right to have further input into the naming of the secondary roads.

- c) Meetings

06/07/17	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
10/07/17	10am	Pordic Youth Visit	Hayle Swimming Pool
12/07/17	1.00pm	Library Working Party Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
12/07/17	2.00pm	Hayle Harbour Advisory Committee	PEI
12/07/17	2.30pm	Staff Fire Training	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
17/07/17	10am – 12noon	Rough Sleepers Reduction Strategy – Launch – 2 reps invited	New County Hall
17/07/17	7.30pm	Hayle Chamber of Commerce	PEI

18/07/17		Hayle in Bloom Judging Day	
18/07/17	7.15pm	Hayle Twinning Association	Asda Community Room
19/07/17	10.00am	Hayle Towans Partnership	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
19/07/17	2.00pm	Bus Stop Improvement Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
20/07/17	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
26/07/17	1.00pm	Hayle Library Devolution Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
26/7/17	6.00pm	Harvey's Foundry Trust	John Harvey House
27/07/17	7.30pm	Resource Committee	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
17/08/17	7.15pm	Full Council (PLANNING ONLY)	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre

d) Incidentals

It was stated that the incidentals were available on request.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm

Approved by the council as a true record, at its meeting 20 July 2017

**Town Mayor** .....

**Date** .....