



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 6 OCTOBER 2016

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 6 October 2016 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

PRESENT

Councillor N Farrar (Mayor)
Councillors B Capper, D Cocks, I Lawrence, R Lello, B Mims, J Nines, O Philp,
C Polkinghorne, J Pollard, A Rance and B Wills

Clerk Eleanor Giggall

7.15PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No one wished to speak.

7.15PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

92 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

It was announced that Hayle in Bloom had been awarded Gold in the Preece Cup in the South West in Bloom Awards. Congratulations were offered to Hayle in Bloom.

The mayor reminded councillors that on Sunday (9 October) the procession to St Elwyn's for the Civic Service at 3pm would leave the car park at 2.30pm.

93 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Councillors Bennett, Coombe and Coad.

94 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Councillor Polkinghorne declared an interest in agenda item 14 (Minute 105c) as Chair of the Hayle Royal British Legion.

95 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 15 SEPTEMBER 2016

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

**96 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 15
SEPTEMBER 2016**

All matters had been dealt with on the night.

97 POLICE AND FIRE SERVICE LIAISON

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

No report had been received.

- b) To establish Hayle Town Council's position on the restructuring of the local police team, noting that Inspector Jean Phillips will be attending the Full Council meeting on 20 October 2016

The main issue of concern was the level of police coverage Hayle would receive in future, including the number of officers who would be covering Hayle, not the identity of these officers.

It was noted that at the recent Community Network Panel meeting Police and Crime Commissioner Alison Hernandez had said she would come to Hayle if invited.

Councillors agreed to send the clerk questions for Inspector Jean Phillips to address at the next full council meeting.

98 REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES FOR APPROVAL

- a) To receive the report from the Amenities Committee meeting 22 September 2016

It was noted that the minutes were not ready and the agenda item would be carried over to the next appropriate council meeting.

- b) To receive the recommendations from the Personnel Committee meeting 21 September 2016

The recommendations were tabled.

It was noted that since considerable extra responsibilities had been taken on by the town council the office team were having to deal with a much heavier workload and more staff were needed to relieve the stress on team members. It was noted that the lack of staff also had a negative impact on the town. As Cornwall Council (CC) had been forced to cut more staff it had become harder for residents to get answers and they in turn were coming to the town council to solve their problems.

It was reported that the Personnel Committee had added to the staff and staff hours that the clerk had asked for. It was noted that although it was necessary to create a structure fit for at least the next five years, it was also clear that something had to be done to relieve the immediate strain on the office team.

It was acknowledged that such staff additions would require an unavoidable increase in the Precept. It was also noted that capping had been reintroduced and might affect Hayle.

It was suggested that the clerk advertise for the finance role as soon as possible so that there would be an overlap with the current finance office who would be retiring soon.

It was resolved to receive the report and its recommendations.

99 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES/WORKING PARTIES/EVENTS

Councillors Polkinghorne and Cocks had recently attended an excellent meeting of the Cornwall Flood Forum.

Councillors Pollard, Polkinghorne and Cocks had also attended a recent Community Network Panel meeting and the following transport issues were of interest: a) by 2018 CC were keen to have a rail network with a train running every 30 minutes from Penzance to Plymouth - Bert Biscoe had assured Councillor Polkinghorne that the intention was for every train to stop at Hayle; b) CC's highways officer had mentioned a new junction at High Lanes or Tolroy. It was noted that the Hayle Neighbourhood Plan's preference was for a junction at Tolroy, but that land had been reserved for both.

As Hayle Town Council (HTC)'s representative at the Hayle Royal British Legion, Councillor Wills asked for volunteers with a few hours to spare to collect money and/or sell poppies as there were places left.

Councillor Ninnes reported that she had attended a productive meeting of Rev Marsden's Volunteer Network at which it had been decided to hold a tidy up Hayle day. Councillor Ninnes had suggested that they apply to the town council for a small grant. A talk by the Towans Ranger had also been given and ideas for the Community Action Plan had been raised.

100 ACCOUNTS

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

Councillor Cocks asked questions regarding several payments, which the clerk answered satisfactorily. Councillor Cocks also commented on the relatively high vehicle hire costs and undertook to source cheaper appropriate alternatives. He was asked to make sure to collaborate with the town council's gardener as she was the chief user of the current vehicle.

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

101 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM MARTIN RULE, TOWANS RANGER, REGARDING RECENT ACTIVITIES OF THE FRIENDS OF THE TOWANS

The mayor invited Martin Rule to give his presentation. (See Appendix A for presentation slides.)

During the presentation Mr Rule answered questions and when he had finished councillors expressed their thanks for his interesting and informative presentation.

102 CONSULTATION: TO CONSIDER CORNWALL COUNCIL'S DOCUMENT: CONTROLS ON FREE DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER (FLYERING) AND TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS 14 – 23 THEREIN

It was resolved to note the consultation and move next business.

103 CONSULTATION: TO DISCUSS BT'S PROPOSAL TO REMOVE TELEPHONE BOXES ON SEA LANE (TR27 4DU) AND VENTONLEAGUE ROW (TR27 4EJ) AND TO CONSIDER THE CASE FOR OBJECTION TO THE REMOVAL OR ADOPTION OF THE BOXES

It was noted that not one member of the public had contacted the town council to ask it to object to the removal of the phone boxes.

It was resolved to allow BT to remove the telephone boxes.

104 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

a) Hayle Harbour Update

It was reported that an email had been received from Gary Cartmell, who was proposing a meeting to discuss the harbour.

It was resolved to reply to Gary Cartmell that as far as HTC was concerned it had a Hayle Harbour Committee, which comprised all Hayle Town Councillors, and that any meeting proposed should be held at the town council offices with the HTC Harbour Committee at a time that suited this council. He should meet with the Hayle Harbour Committee as per the agreed town council meeting schedule.

It was reported that CC officers were still working to come to an agreement regarding the future management of the harbour by the end of the year.

There was no news on any planning applications related to the harbour.

It was reported that concern had been expressed by many Hayle residents on Foundry/Harbour Day about the absence of the bridge that was due to be built over Penpol Creek.

It was resolved to write to Cornwall Council (copying in Councillor Pollard as Ward member) as soon as possible to demand that they invoke the S106 to get the Penpol Creek bridge built before the sale of the land.

b) Cornwall Council Update

It was reported that once the Cornwall Local Plan was in place the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) could be levied. There was some concern regarding the allocation and expenditure of the money and it was generally agreed that was important to ensure that the money would come to the town council.

c) Community Asset & Devolution of Services Update

It was reported that, following receipt of the requested breakdown of figures, the town council had discovered that it had probably overpaid CC for maintenance of the Millponds over the last few years. The clerk had been informed that HTC had been invoiced for the maintenance of the whole site, not just the part that HTC was responsible for. It had been agreed that some money was due to be refunded to HTC.

The town council had not yet taken on the King George V Memorial Walk as the landslide issues had not been clarified. However, the greenhouse was finished and the gardener was very pleased with it. No updates from CC had been received.

It was reported that CC and CORMAC had notified the clerk that all street furniture in the town was due to be handed over to the town council, but no money had accompanied the responsibility. It was noted that this would also create more work for the town council office.

The clerk explained the issue of rats and bait boxes at the Millpond.

d) Healthcare Issues Update

There was nothing to report.

105 CLERK'S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE/MEETINGS/INCIDENTALS

a) Correspondence

- i) To consider the implications of accepting the S106 money generated from the Carnsew Road development (PA15/00918) and the related requirement to carry out the proposed associated footpath works

It was noted that HTC was not party to the agreement and had not seen it, although in comments on the planning application the town council had asked that there be money to mitigate the impact of the development on the footpaths in the area.

It was resolved to reply to the email to insist that a meeting be held with the town clerk, the HTC footpath working party and CC representatives to thrash out the agreement and to determine which body is responsible for what.

- ii) To consider the correspondence from Rachel George regarding the lack of fully accessible toilets for disabled people in Hayle

Councillors appreciated Ms George's concerns, but after discussing how the town council might make such a facility available in Hayle it was agreed that it would be very difficult for a small town council to provide one and it was noted that according to the brochure she had included with her letter such facilities were mainly available at large attractions.

It was resolved to reply to empathise with her and to inform her that the town council aspires to have a facility such as this in Hayle, especially as in the near future there would be two new retail developments in Hayle, whose developers might be interested in providing fully accessible toilets for disabled people.

- b) To discuss the proposal that every train that stops at St Erth be expected to stop at Hayle

[9.33pm Cllr Capper left the meeting.]

It was noted that according to the report from the Community Network Panel (see Minute 99) it was expected that every train between Penzance and Plymouth would stop at Hayle once the new timetable was established in 2018.

- c) To consider Hayle Royal British Legion's invitation for Hayle Town Council to purchase an additional wreath and to nominate a representative to lay it at the War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday in commemoration of the Battle of the Somme

It was resolved to purchase an additional wreath and to approach the mayor's cadet to ask her to lay it on the town council's behalf. If she were unable to do so, the clerk would ask another councillor to represent the town council.

- d) Meetings

06/10/16	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
09/10/16	2.30pm	Civic Parade and Service	Commercial Road Car Park, Hayle
12/10/16	4.00pm	Meeting to judge Town Guide photo competition – Mayor, Deputy Mayor and John Farrar	Clerk's Office
12/10/16	5.00pm	Meeting with Recreation Ground Kiosk Operators re future development	Clerk's Office
17/10/16	7.30pm	Hayle Chamber of Commerce	PEI
18/10/16	7.30pm	War Memorial Working Group	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
19/10/16	10.00am	Hayle Towans Partnership	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
19/10/16	3.00pm TBC	Meeting of website working party to choose winning proposal – Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Cllrs Bennett, Capper, Coad	Clerk's Office
20/10/16	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre

25/10/16	2.30pm	WCCCTV Meeting – Mayor to attend	Tolvaddon, Fire HQ
26/10/16	9.30am	CALC Larger Council’s Meeting	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre
27/10/16	7.30pm	Resource Committee (G&D and Precept)	Assembly Room, Hayle Community Centre

e) Incidentals

It was stated that the incidentals were available on request.

The meeting closed at 9.45pm.

Approved by the Council as a true record, at its meeting 20 October 2016

Town Mayor

Date

