



## HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**THURSDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2018**

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 6 September 2018 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

### **PRESENT**

Councillor C Polkinghorne (Mayor)  
Councillors S Benney, H Blakeley, B Capper, P Channon, G Coad, D Cocks, N Farrar,  
P Nidds, J Pollard, A Rance and B Wills

Clerk Eleanor Giggall

### **7.15PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

Mr Mervyn Sullivan thanked the council for financially supporting and assisting with the renewal of the heritage sign, which he had originally painted and designed, on Penpol Terrace. He said he was grateful for the speedy turnaround as it was in place in time for the Britain in Bloom judging as hoped. He particularly thanked Councillor Channon for his input and spoke positively about the contracted sign makers and builder who ensured the first-class sign was installed efficiently. Councillor Channon added that it was a pleasure to support this project and Hayle in Bloom.

### **7.18PM FULL COUNCIL COMMENCED**

#### **66 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)**

A minute's silence was held in memory of Mr Hamilton Hawkins, whose funeral had taken place that day. Councillors fondly remembered him as a self-made, tough but fair businessman who generously gave so much to the town. He was renowned for his caring nature; it was said that without Hamilton's continued personal support and with the work of the Godrevy Singers the Hayle Day Care Centre would have closed many years ago.

The mayor advised that he had been communicating with Mark Hopwood of Great Western Railway who had confirmed that one of the new trains would be named after Rick Rescorla. However, Mr Hopwood had advised that the naming ceremony was likely going to be held at Penzance Train Station. The mayor had asked that this decision be reconsidered as he believed that such a ceremony could and should be held in Hayle.

The mayor reminded councillors that the annual sponsored walk in aid of Cornwall Hospice Care was taking place on Sunday 9 September. He encouraged those that had not already signed up to either help or walk to sponsor another councillor or to make a donation.

**67 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Andrewartha, Mims and Roden.

**68 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

There were none.

**69 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 19 JULY 2018**

**It was resolved** that the minutes of the full council meeting 19 July 2018 be taken as a true and accurate record, the mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

**70 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 16 AUGUST 2018**

**It was resolved** that the minutes of the full council meeting 16 August 2018 be taken as a true and accurate record, the mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

**71 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 19 JULY 2018**

All matters raised had been dealt with on the night.

**72 TO DISCUSS MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 16 AUGUST 2018**

All matters raised had been dealt with on the night.

**73 HAYLE EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNITY STATION REPORT**

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

There was no report.

**74 REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES FOR APPROVAL**

- a) To receive the report from the Hayle Harbour Committee meeting 12 July 2018

**It was resolved** to receive and note the minutes of the Hayle Harbour Committee meeting of 12 July 2018 so that actions could be carried out.

There was a brief discussion about when the North Quay planning application would come to this council and in turn before Cornwall Council's Strategic Planning Committee. The clerk confirmed that she would liaise with Peter Bainbridge, Cornwall Council's planning case officer, and report to Council. Members considered that as the application was so significant that it warranted a single issue meeting and that Peter Bainbridge be invited to attend the meeting.

- b) To receive the report from the Resource Committee meeting 26 July 2018

**It was resolved** to receive and note the minutes of the Resource Committee meeting of 26 July 2018 so that actions could be carried out.

## **75 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES/WORKING PARTIES/EVENTS**

The mayor reported on the Community Network Panel that had been held on Monday 3 September 2018. He summarised the items that had been discussed namely the proposed amalgamation of the Devon and Cornwall Police with Dorset Police Constabulary, Wheal Buzzy, positive water testing results in and around St Ives Bay and the distribution of the 'Highways' fund. It was also confirmed that it was the Panel's AGM and Councillor Graham Coad, in his capacity as Cornwall Council South Ward Member, was elected as Deputy Chairman.

## **76 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 2018/19 as listed on Appendix B.

## **77 TO CONSIDER THE REVISED BOUNDARY REVIEW PROPOSAL FROM COUNCILLOR POLLARD WHICH AVOIDS SPLITTING CONNOR DOWNS BUT MAINTAINS THE TOWN COUNCIL'S CURRENT PREFERENCE FOR A NORTH/SOUTH SPLIT FOR HAYLE AND GWINEAR-GWITHIAN**

**It was resolved to note** that the agenda heading had been revised from 'to consider the revised boundary review proposal from Cornwall Council's Matt Stokes and Councillor Pollard which avoids splitting Connor Downs but maintains the town council's current preference for a north/south split for Hayle and Gwinear-Gwithian' to the agenda heading above.

Matt Stokes had contacted both the clerk and the mayor to request that the published agenda be amended to reflect that it was not his proposal and that he merely provided support to develop Councillor Pollard's proposal.

**It was resolved** to write to the Boundary Commission confirming that this council reiterates its original position i.e. to create a Hayle North/Gwithian Ward and a Hayle South/Gwinear Ward. The town council does however revise the proposal to move the proposed boundary lines to split the CHN2 polling district: through Ventonleague, along Eglos Hayle Road and Copper Hill and down through Prospect Place. The proposal would maintain the integrity of Connor Downs in a single north ward division and would make the two wards balanced in terms of the number of electorate; Hayle North/Gwithian 5338 and Hayle South/Gwinear 5453. The clerk to also forward maps reflecting the town council's final proposal, see Appendix A.

There was a discussion about publicising this proposal and gathering more support from local residents before the deadline of 17 September 2018. It was agreed that another press release should be sent to the local press, the website and facebook pages be updated and that all

councillors take a number of copies of the pre-prepared template letter with the aim of obtaining more signed copies to send to the Boundary Commission.

**78 TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF THE RECREATION GROUND KIOSK FOLLOWING THE DECISION OF ITS CURRENT TENANTS TO HAND IN THEIR NOTICE**

It was noted with regret that there had now been a number of tenants trying to make a go of running the kiosk, all leaving within a relatively short timeframe. Members considered that there were a number of factors at play but the final straw was that a mobile van had started trading in close proximity, on Hayle Harbour land. There was a brief discussion about potential alternative operating options such as the council running the facility and employing staff or making it available to a local charity as well as improving or building a newer purpose built facility.

**It was resolved** to allow the kiosk to close and not to advertise for new tenants at this time. The Council to give the future operation further consideration over the winter months after consulting with regular users of the Recreation Ground and exploring all options.

**79 TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE EXTENSION TO THE COMMUNITY CENTRE CAR PARK**

[8.44pm Councillor Farrar declared an interest and left the room]

The clerk summarised the discussions and the recommendations made at/by the recent working party meeting. The clerk explained that the developer of Queensway Gardens had not anticipated that the Council would want the car park extended across the entire width of the grass area at the rear of the building and linking into the side lane. After meeting with officers it was quickly established that there was a limited time frame to work within and that the council's initial extension plan was too large and complicated to be accommodated at this stage. However, a smaller alternative proposal was considered which would mean losing 3 existing spaces to create an access road but overall gaining an additional 8 or 9 parking spaces. The idea was to take advantage, in terms of time and financial savings, of the contractors working on site, completing the first phase of the extension and preparing an access route for a second phase and to allow the council more time to develop and work out the requirements for a second car park extension phase. Drawings of the first phase proposals were circulated. It was anticipated that the second phase would be slightly more complex and would require more consideration for drainage.

It was noted that the council has already built a fund of £50,000 in anticipation of these essential works and obtaining a price for the first phase would help inform the council with regard to pricing for the second phase.

**It was resolved** to a) accept the developer's offer to resurface the council's existing car park as a gesture of goodwill, b) complete the car park extension in two phases, c) subject to price, work in partnership with the developer and his contractors to extend the existing car park to approximately half way across the grass area and d) to work up the plans for the second/final stage of the car park extension with a view to completing this as soon as practicable.

**80 TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE TENDER FOR THE CLEANING AND OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC TOILETS IN HAYLE AND TO DETERMINE THE SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTOR**

Again, the clerk summarised the discussions and the recommendations made by the working party and explained that the response had been limited and the tender prices varied dramatically. Members expressed disappointment that no smaller, local businesses had tendered but they recognised that they probably could not compete with the larger organisations which already deliver services on this scale.

**It was resolved** to accept the working party's recommendation and award the contract to Cormac Solutions Ltd, with the proviso that regular monitoring and routine review meetings are established and should the contractors under perform a penalty is applied.

**81 TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSAL TO AWARD THE TOWN PLATE TO JOHN BENNETT FOR HIS HARD WORK AS CHAIR OF THE HAYLE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP**

Members extolled John Bennett's many virtues and said that he could be presented with the plate for a great number of reasons as he had worked so tirelessly for the town.

**It was resolved** that John Bennett should be awarded a town plate in recognition of his contribution to the Hayle Neighbourhood plan.

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

a) Hayle Harbour Update

Councillor Pollard explained that he continued to ask for updates from his colleagues at County Hall and was becoming increasingly frustrated by the lack of progress and regular communication.

It was agreed that the clerk invite Jon Lloyd-Owen to a future Harbour Meeting to present a full update.

b) Cornwall Council Update

The unfortunate fire at Parc-an-Dix was noted but members were reassured that, after some investigation, it had been confirmed that the response time from the retained Hayle crew was 9 minutes. Crews from Tolvaddon and St Ives attended in 11 and 19 minutes respectively.

Councillor Pollard confirmed that the improvement works for the Loggans play area as part of the first round of the Green Infrastructure 4 Growth project had been quashed by Natural England's concerns but advised that a second tranche of money was available and he was hopeful that agreement could be reached for the site to benefit from the additional funding in 2020.

He also confirmed that Hayle would possibly be put forward to achieve Blue Flag status, as the quality of the water in the bay was of a good, clean standard. It was explained that the water had been randomly tested throughout the last year.

It was also reported that the contentious Harbour View planning application had recently been refused at appeal and that work had begun on the parking area adjacent to the war memorial.

c) Community Asset & Devolution of Services Update

The clerk advised that she had no further news regarding the landslip above King George V Memorial Walk. She and Councillor Pollard undertook to chase information from Cornwall Council officers.

The library devolution working party hadn't met for some time but was due to meet in the following week. The clerk confirmed that John Lowry, of Hine Downing Solicitors had agreed to act on behalf of the council on this matter, as agreed by the working party. He came highly recommended and had been involved with similar library devolution projects throughout the county previously.

d) Boundary Review

It was agreed that this matter had been discussed under agenda item 12 (minute 77 refers).

**83 CLERK'S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE/MEETINGS/INCIDENTALS**

a) Correspondence

- i) To consider Hayle in Bloom's request for a financial contribution towards the travel costs of those attending the annual presentation of awards

**It was resolved** to grant Hayle in Bloom the full cost of the travel i.e. £360.00 in recognition of the worthy work that has been undertaken for the town. However, the clerk to inform the group that the contribution should not be expected annually and that in future years these costs should be found from within their own funds.

The money to come from the contingency budget head.

b) Meetings

09/09/18	2.30pm 5 mile walk 3.30pm 2 Mile Walk	Mayor's Sponsored Walk 5 mile walk -registration. from 1.30pm 2 Mile Walk -registration from 2.30pm	King George V Memorial Walk
10/09/18	7.15pm	Hayle Twinning association	Asda Meeting Room
12/09/18	1.30pm	Library Working Party Meeting	Assembly Room
13/09/18	7.30pm	Hayle Harbour Committee POSTPONED – Due to insufficient business	Assembly Room
13/09/18	7.30pm	Personnel Committee	Assembly Room
18/09/18	10.00am	SWW Odour Liaison Meeting	St Erth
12/09/18	1.30pm	Library Working Party Meeting	Assembly Room

20/09/18	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room
26/09/18	10.00am	Library Devolution Seminar	St Austell
26/09/18	1.30pm	Library Working Party Meeting TBC	Assembly Room
27/09/18	7.30pm	Amenities Committee	Assembly Room
04/10/18	7.15pm	Full Council	Assembly Room
07/10/18	2.30pm	Civic Service and Parade	Commercial Road Car Park

c) Incidentals

The list of incidentals was tabled. Incidentals were available on request.

The meeting closed at 9.24pm.

Approved by the council as a true record, at its meeting 20 September 2018

**Town Mayor** .....

**Date** .....