



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2018

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 20 September 2018 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

PRESENT

Councillor C Polkinghorne (Mayor)
Councillors S Benney, H Blakeley, B Capper, D Cocks, N Farrar, B Mims, J Pollard,
A Rance, A Roden and B Wills

Clerk Eleanor Giggall

7.15PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

George Daniel, vice-chair of the Hayle Twinning Association, explained he was attending to present a gift from Pordic Council to Hayle Town Council (HTC), on behalf of Maurice Trathen, the chair of the association, in his absence. He then invited members to a quiz evening at the Old Quay House the following week. Mr Daniel also asked if HTC would be able to make some form of presentation to the Pordic Twinning Association when its representatives came to Hayle in May 2019. The clerk explained that 2018 was the first year HTC had not sent a gift to Pordic as it had not received gifts for the last few years, although the mayor had sent some small gifts to Pordic. The clerk explained that the gift from Pordic was usually presented by their representatives when they visited Hayle and vice versa. Mr Daniel suggested that a copy of the heritage sign on Penpol Terrace be sent as a gift. It was noted that twinning was a civic function in France and towns there received much more public money than in England. George Daniel also asked if the Hayle Twinning Association could have a much reduced rent on rooms at the Community Centre and was advised that he could apply for a grant and that the clerk would forward a grant application form to Mr Trathen.

Mr Daniel proceeded to present the gift, which the mayor accepted on behalf of Hayle Town Council and Hayle Twinning Association. It was suggested that the library be considered as a suitable place to hang the picture of an osprey in flight, but it was pointed out that there was very little wall space at the library. Everyone thanked George Daniel for attending.

Councillor Pollard drew attention to the misleading description of Derek Thomas MP's constituency conference taking place in Ludgvan on Saturday. He said that the term 'West Cornwall' in 'West Cornwall Town and Parish Council Conference' was inappropriate as it also covered Hayle which was not in Mr Thomas's constituency.

The clerk clarified that HTC would be taking over the lighting on King George V Memorial Walk and that the Decorative Lighting Committee was aware of this.

7.28PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

84 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

It was announced that the Library working group meeting for Wednesday 26 September had been cancelled. The mayor would be attending the Cornwall Council (CC) library devolution conference on that day.

The mayor announced that the clerk and the finance officer had passed their latest accountancy exams, both with distinction – with the finance officer achieving 100%.

Councillors were informed that work at the War Memorial had started.

The Mayor's Sponsored Walk in aid of Cornwall Hospice Care had raised in excess of £4,000.

It was also announced that planning applications PA18/04577 and PA18/07050 would not be discussed that night.

85 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Councillors Andrewartha, Coad and Nidds.

86 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Councillor Pollard declared an interest in agenda item 7a (minute 90a 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.'

Councillor Farrar declared an interest in planning application PA18/07364.

87 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 6 SEPTEMBER 2018

It was resolved that the minutes of the full council meeting 6 September 2018 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 6 SEPTEMBER 2018

All matters had been dealt with on the night.

89 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS FOR ST MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL FROM SUE PRESTON, SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER, SURGICAL SERVICES, ST MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL

The mayor introduced Sue Preston and invited her to give her presentation (see Appendix B).

Ms Preston offered to give a short summary and then take questions.

She summarised the development proposals for St Michael's Hospital as follows:

- The Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust (RCHT) had realised that one site could not provide all services and needed to maximise outlying site services for what type of and how much surgery could be undertaken;
- St Michael's Hospital would receive new funding, facilities would be improved and staff increased to provide a hugely increased £4m orthopaedic service. Most of the money would be spent on staff, but there would also be an increase in beds in 3 new side rooms for patients that need to be isolated;
- She hoped the hospital would become operational for the increase in patients on 19 October 2018;
- The type of and increased care could be offered to a greater number of types of patients;
- There was still some struggle to recruit medical staff, but they were working on that;
- 78% delivery of orthopaedic services would increase to 85% in October/November and then to 90-95% in January; and
- They would not be able to take critical care patients, who would continue to be treated at Treliske.

Ms Preston added that she had been pleased to be invited back to work on this project by the RCHT. She added that the staff were wonderful, very highly trained and keen to provide this new service at St Michael's and she hoped everything would go to plan, but that would depend on recruitment of the requisite surgeons.

In the question and answer session the following information was clarified:

- St George's Wing was not being developed as part of this project, but there was a separate bid in for redeveloping it. The new side rooms would be added to the end of St Joseph's Ward;
- There should not be a problem with parking due to the increase in patients because the existing car park was big enough to handle the increase (although it was acknowledged that on street parking may be more stretched as some patients and many staff did not park there due to the parking charges);
- Although the 'choose and book' system only offered patients a choice between the Duchy hospital and Treliske (which included St Michael's but not explicitly), it was hoped that this would change to show St Michael's as an alternative option as it was due to become the centre of excellence for elective orthopaedic services in Cornwall;
- The closed St Theresa's Ward was not currently suitable for community beds as it was not safe and could not be made safe without considerable expenditure, but Ms Preston agreed that increasing the number of community beds was important;
- The RCHT wanted to be able to promote the services at St Michael's as being second to none and bids had been entered to obtain funding to cover the cost of the inevitable longer stay of some patients; and
- £1,500 had been raised at the recent fundraising event.

Councillors all thanked Sue Preston for giving her presentation and answering their questions.

It was resolved to commend and support this project unanimously.

90 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) To consider Planning Applications: PA18/04577 (Please note: this application may be deferred); PA18/07050; PA18/07710; PA18/07753; PA18/07409; PA18/07498; PA18/08038 (for information only); PA18/08041 (for information only); PA18/07364; PA18/06952; PA18/08346; PA18/08448 and PA18/08414

PA18/04577 was deferred and PA18/07050 was not considered because it had been withdrawn in the previous month and had not been re-validated by CC.

[7.59pm-8.01pm Councillor Farrar left the room during the discussion and vote regarding PA18/07364.]

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.

91 FOOTPATHS

- a) Maintenance update

The clerk reported that there had been no complaints to the office other than general concern regarding work being carried out at the Millpond and in particular the bridleway. She had advised that it was all work being carried out as part of the current project of repairs at the whole Millpond area.

It was also reported that staff had queried the Local Maintenance Partnership plan for this year as it included fewer footpaths than in previous years and she was waiting for a response from CC officers, via the Cormac contractors, who had been advised of the path numbers that were missing. Councillor Pollard agreed to follow up with Donald Martin at CC if any paths were in the Hayle North division.

The meeting closed at 8.11pm.

Approved by the council as a true record, at its meeting 4 October 2018

Town Mayor

Date