



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2019

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held at the Hayle Community Centre, Hayle on Thursday 21 February 2019 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

PRESENT

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

Facilities Manager Phil Drew

7.15PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Nick Reynolds from Paradise Park spoke regarding his support for the proposal to extend the parking restrictions on Trellissick Road. He hoped the issue would be included on the list of traffic schemes for discussion at the Hayle & St Ives Community Network Panel meeting on 4 March 2019. He was advised that it was included and that the meeting was open to the public and he could apply to speak at it.

[7.17pm Councillor Capper joined the meeting.]

Councillor Pollard expressed his dissatisfaction with the process for deciding which schemes would be discussed at the panel meeting and ultimately chosen. The lack of a system had allowed the four parishes involved – Hayle, Gwinear-Gwithian, St Erth and St Ives – to suggest any number of schemes without prioritising them, although Hayle had prioritised its list and now appeared to be at a disadvantage for doing so.

7.21PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

203 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

It was announced that the council's Wi-Fi system needed to be upgraded before the new laptops could be used and it would be at least two weeks before the laptops would be ready for distribution as the ITEC engineer was on holiday. Councillors were advised that if they were having problems they needed to contact Matilda who would raise a ticket with support at ITEC and someone would call and help them. As town council officers now had individual email addresses councillors were asked to copy all relevant officers in when they contact the office.

The mayor read out a card the town council had received from the Hayle Branch of the Royal British Legion thanking the town council for the recent work carried out at the war memorial.

204 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Councillors Blakeley, Coad and Roden.

205 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Councillor Pollard declared an interest in agenda item 9a (minute 211a refers) and made the following statement: - 'In commenting on these issues/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 applications PA19/00229, PA19/00492, PA19/00713 and PA18/11699 and undertook to leave the room during the consideration and decision on each.

206 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 7 FEBRUARY 2019

It was resolved that the minutes of the full council meeting 7 February 2019 be taken as a true and accurate record, the mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

207 TO DISCUSS MATTERS WHICH WERE RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 7 FEBRUARY 2019

All matters had been dealt with on the night.

208 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM JENNY OPIE, NEWLY ELECTED CHAIR OF THE HAYLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, REGARDING THE CHAMBER'S PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The mayor decided to postpone Agenda Item 6 as Ms Opie had been delayed in Exeter, but hoped to attend to give her presentation later in the meeting. It was noted that if she was unable to attend she would contact the clerk to reschedule her presentation. [By the end of the meeting Ms Opie had not arrived.]

209 TO CONSIDER AND RESPOND TO THE CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN ON BEHALF OF CORNWALL COUNCIL REGARDING THE LIMITING OF HACKNEY CARRIAGE VEHICLE NUMBERS

The question of how many licences were allocated to the Penwith zone and Hayle in particular was raised and it was noted that to obtain a licence a prospective driver needed to apply for one with Cornwall Council (CC).

It was generally agreed that the number of hackney carriage vehicles appeared to be ideal and no changes were necessary as no complaints about over or under supply had ever been raised. It was noted that Hayle had both private hire taxis and hackney carriages.

It was resolved to respond to the consultation as follows: i) to ask a) how many Hayle based operatives there are and b) if the Penwith zone is at full capacity for vehicle numbers; ii) to comment that Hayle Town Council sees no reason to change the current policy as it appears to

be working; and iii) to report that the town council is concerned that some taxi drivers in Hayle do not wear identification badges and therefore may be rogue drivers.

210 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

a) Cornwall Community Governance Review

The mayor reported that he and Councillor Wills had attended the CALC workshop/meeting at County Hall regarding the Cornwall Community Governance Review and that 62 parishes had asked for a review. He distributed a document of statistical information regarding all parishes in Cornwall to members for their information and reported that Councillor Malcolm Brown, Chair of the Review Panel, wanted councils to arrange boundaries amongst themselves. Councillor Polkinghorne confirmed with a member of Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council (GGPC) that the parish council was interested in having a meeting with Hayle Town Council and they had discussed the issue of moving the boundary to 'relocate' a small number of houses into the more appropriate parish.

Councillors raised their concerns regarding the new warding as decided by the Boundary Commission which redistributed the number of HTC councillors to 10 in Hayle West (urban) and five in the remaining part of Hayle and Angarrack, which would give these five councillors a very wide area to canvass during elections. The current south/north seven/eight split was considered more equitable and would not interfere with the boundary with GGPC. It was noted that a sub-committee had been formed at the previous full council meeting and its members should meet first to consider the issues facing Hayle and to draft its recommendations for full council's approval before meeting with any other parishes.

It was resolved that the Hayle Community Governance Review Sub-committee would meet to discuss the issue and then bring its recommendation back to full council for approval before meeting GGPC and/or St Erth Parish Council.

Councillor Wills reported that CC officers were willing to meet with small groups of parishes when each had decided what they wanted from the review. She added that the workshop had been very useful and had also covered the Code of Conduct.

It was also reported that there would also be a review of Polling Stations and Polling Districts in the near future and it was agreed this would be very important for HTC in light of the new divisions decided by the Boundary Commission.

Regarding the statistical information circulated it was noted that the high precepts were for towns and that the smaller parishes did not contribute to the services provided in towns. For example Hayle residents contributed to the Library and Information Service and Day Care Centre, unlike residents from surrounding smaller parishes although they used the same services.

b) Hayle Neighbourhood Plan

There was nothing to report.

c) Hayle Harbour Development

It was reported that at its recent meeting Cornwall Council's Cabinet had agreed unanimously to intervene in the development of the harbour and was to use £5.65m from Homes England to provide the road which would unlock the housing development; any developer who made use of the road would pay back a contribution towards its costs to CC. CC was continuing to negotiate a deal which was likely to result in an investment of around £15m (including the £5.65m) to purchase land to build 140 homes at Riviere Fields.

The Cabinet report also highlighted the deterioration of the harbour through a lack of investment by its successive owners and if a deal was successfully negotiated CC would lay out a set of trigger points at which it could step in if work was not carried out by the owner developer. Although some work had been carried out at the harbour, areas of the wall promised for repair were still unrepaired and there remained silting up problems which would make some other harbour businesses unviable.

Councillors were concerned that an out-of-date photo of the masterplan had been used by CC and sent to the Cornishman for use in its reporting.

The provisional timetable for discussing the North Quay application was given to members and would be confirmed at a later date. Some concern was raised about the area given over to the Fishermen's Quay, but most councillors believed that the specific area in the amended plans appeared to be the same as it was currently; if it was not, the matter could be raised when the amended application was being considered. The mayor reported that Simon Wright had informed him that he would be carrying out a one day public consultation at the Passmore Edwards Institute – date to be confirmed.

211 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) To consider Planning Applications: PA19/00229; PA19/00068; PA18/11699; PA19/00492; PA17/06240; PA19/00785; PA18/09560; PA19/00745; PA19/00713 and PA19/00314

[7.58pm - 8.53pm During the consideration and voting on PA19/00229, PA18/11699, PA19/00492 and PA19/00713 Councillor Farrar left the room, but was present for all other applications.]

For the resolutions on individual planning applications see Appendix A attached.

- b) To note the results of previous applications

There were none.

212 FOOTPATHS

- a) Maintenance update

Councillor Rance reported a dead tree overhanging the railway line at the footpath over the bridge down to the railway station and undertook to report it to Network Rail.

The meeting closed at 8.56pm.

Approved by the council as a true record, at its meeting 7 March 2019

Town Mayor

Date