



HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2020

Minutes of the Hayle Town Council Meeting held via Zoom on Thursday 17 September 2020 commencing at 7.15pm with a **Public Participation Session**.

PRESENT

Councillor C Polkinghorne (Mayor)
Councillors S Benney, D Bradshaw, B Capper, G Coad, S Johnson, P Nidds, J Pollard, A Rance and A Roden
Marcus Healan, Principle Planning Officer, Cornwall Council
Town Clerk E Giggall
Acting Asst. Clerk M Costello

7.16 PM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Mr Phillip Jefferies spoke in support of planning application PA20/06537. He presented the history of the building and explained that it ceased to be a care home in July 2019. He confirmed that it does not meet the current required standards and that even if extended it would most likely still not conform as it would be impossible to make each room en suite. He also confirmed that banks were not lending for care homes with less than 20 bedrooms anymore which meant is not viable to sell as a going concern. He asked members to support his application to demolish the building and to build 2 new bungalows.

In answer to a question, Mr Jeffries did not rule out the potential for further development behind the two proposed bungalows and members voiced concern about access if this were to happen.

7.30 PM THE MEETING COMMENCED

51 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (For Information Only)

The Chair confirmed that the Personnel Committee had recently interviewed and successfully appointed people to the roles of Assistant Maintenance Technician and Senior Support Officer.

52 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor's Blakeley, Cocks and Mims.

53 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Councillors Coad and Pollard declared an interest in agenda item 8 (minute 58 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.’

The Mayor asked councillors to approve a change the order of the agenda items so that item 7a could be considered next to allow Marcus Healan to discuss, answer questions and leave the meeting early.

It was resolved to consider agenda item 7a) at this point.

54 TO CONSIDER THE HAYLE SUMMARY DOCUMENT CONCEPT PLAN FOLLOWING THE RECENT CONSULTATION

Marcus Healan, Principal Planning Officer, Cornwall Council, introduced the concept plan and highlighted the issues that had been amended following the recent public consultation.

Member agreed that the document was well-produced and a terrific piece of work but expressed concern about the lack of clarity around the phasing of the much needed infrastructure to support the scheme. Members felt strongly that, in particular, the traffic and highways elements need to be built prior to the development of houses.

Marcus Healan confirmed that the policy and the principle of development, as contained in the site allocations document, has already been adopted by Cornwall and that this concept plan just added the extra detail.

It was resolved to respond by stating that while Hayle Town Council (HTC) supports the plan, on the whole, the scheme for the highways and junctions needs to be implemented in full prior to any planning permission for housing being granted in the designated areas.

It was resolved to thank Marcus Healan, and his colleagues, for their work.

55 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING 3 SEPTEMBER 2020 AND THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING 1 SEPTEMBER 2020

It was resolved that the minutes of the full council meeting 3 September 2020 and the special council meeting 1 September 2020 be taken as a true and accurate record.

The Mayor to sign each page in due course.

56 TO DISCUSS MATTERS WHICH WERE RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 3 SEPTEMBER 2020

No members of the public wished to speak.

57 WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY COMPLIANCE

- a) To note the NALC presentation on Website Accessibility Compliance

It was resolved to note the NALC presentation on Website Accessibility Compliance.

- b) To approve the draft Website Accessibility Action Plan and Accessibility Statement, in preparation of ensuring the town council website is compliant and accessible

It was resolved to approve the interim Website Accessibility Action Plan and Accessibility Statements.

The Clerk advised that this would be published on the website before 23 September 2020. After the full review of the website, a further statement would be required.

- c) To note and approve the quotation provided by Blumin Limited to make the website compliant

The Clerk explained that she had approached Blumin some months ago in preparation for the 23 September 2020 deadline but the matter had been delayed due to Covid -19. The quotation had been re-confirmed as valid and once approved, work could be undertaken imminently. In addition to the presented quotation, the Clerk explained, that she had been quoted a further £300 for the production of a final Accessibility Statement.

It was resolved to note and approve the quotations provided by Blumin Limited to make the website compliant.

The money to come from the Earmarked Reserve 331 for Information Technology and the Website.

58 CONSULTATIONS

- a) To consider the Climate Emergency Development Plan Document Pre-submission Report for Consultation received from Cornwall Council

It was resolved that HTC is happy to support Cornwall Council's endeavours and endorse the document excluding policies CC1 and T1-T3 inclusive. Members agreed that Policies T1-T3 are not ambitious enough and do not include sufficient detail on modal shift and Policy C1 needs to go further to protect areas, like Hayle, from erosion. To protect areas, such as Hayle, from erosion HTC would like to include that where a Shoreline Management Plan has stated that dredging and a net removal of sand from a system is discouraged, then a Coastal Protection Authority licence should not be granted. This is unless it can be proven that there will not be a net loss of sediment, or it is for an emergency measure. Likewise, there should be severe penalties if any dredging activities occur in these areas without a licence

The completed response form is on file in the Clerk's office.

- b) To consider the Hayle Summary Document Concept Plan following the recent consultation

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting, (*see minute 54*).

- c) To consider the proposal by Cornwall Council's Library and Information Service to extend the overdue fees amnesty

It was resolved not to apply late fines for overdue books. However, Members reserved the right to revisit that decision at a later date should it be needed.

The decision was not unanimous but several members made the case that fines or the fear of fines could deter some users from returning to the library. They made the argument that the Council is delivering a service and it needs to be as inclusive and welcoming as possible.

- d) To note and consider the submitted response to Cornwall Council regarding the Community Governance Review and the internal warding arrangements – as discussed by Full Council on 3 September 2020

It was resolved to support the proposal submitted to Cornwall Council following the Working Group meeting on 2 September 2020, i.e.:

Hayle Town Council proposes an alternative internal Parish warding arrangement to that drawn up by Cornwall Council, which is considered to be entirely inappropriate and inequitable (as detailed in previous submissions). Members of Hayle Town Council ask that you give the following serious consideration.

We recommend the creation of 2 wards Hayle North and Hayle South, comprising of the polling stations as detailed below. The proposed wards of Hayle North and Hayle South each contain an element of both urban and rural areas, are more equal in terms of electors (see below) and size (see attached maps), thus allowing 7 or 8 councillors to represent each ward making it representationally fairer both electors and councillors.

Hayle South Ward to comprise Polling Districts:

CHE2 (Hayle East 2) which has an electorate of 383
CHW1 (Hayle West 1) which an electorate of 1045
CHW2 (Hayle West 2) which has an electorate of 653
CHW3 (Hayle West 3) which has an electorate of 1325

Total electorate: 3406

Hayle North Ward to comprise Polling Districts:

CHE1 (Hayle East 1) which has an electorate of 1568 (estimate)
CHW4 (Hayle West 4) which has an electorate of 1104
CHW5 (Hayle West 5) which has an electorate 900 (estimate)

Total electorate: 3572

59 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) To consider Planning Applications: PA20/06588; PA20/06241; PA20/06317; PA20/06377; PA20/05885; PA20/04801; PA20/06537 and PA20/06580

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

- b) To note the results of previous applications

There were none.

60 FOOTPATHS

a) Maintenance Update

The Clerk confirmed that there were no reported issues with the maintenance of footpaths in recent weeks or months. Councillor Capper, however, raised concern about Footpath 42 in Angarrack as it was overgrown with brambles. The Clerk undertook to investigate and chase the contractors if appropriate.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Approved by the council as a true record, at its meeting 1 October 2020

Town Mayor

Date