

ST COLUMB MAJOR TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Full Council Meeting of St Columb Major Town Council, held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, St Columb Major, on Thursday, 14th March 2019 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs P Wills (Mayor), Mrs J Warner (Deputy Mayor), Mrs L Jiggins, B Daniels, W Draper, Mrs B Rogers, K Roberts, Mrs F Fuery, S Allen,

In attendance: Mr M C Uren (Town Clerk), three members of the public and a Reporter from Newquay Voice

635/17 **Mayor's Welcome:**

Cllr Wills welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

Housekeeping:

The Mayor addressed Councillors and members of the public, giving advice on emergency procedures, asking that all mobile 'phones be switched off, or turned to silent.

Announcement and Diary Dates:

The Mayor's Report (also incorporating the County Councillor's Report) was presented by Cllr Wills:-

"I attended the St Wenn Charity Fund AGM, where I was made a Trustee of the Charity. It is my intention to work with the Charity, to try and obtain its overall goals for the community of St Wenn.

I Chaired a Meeting of the Licensing Sub-committee at Bodmin, where two applications were referred to Committee. I can inform you all, that I am standing down as Vice-Chair of the Licensing Committee, at the request of the Leader of the Independent Group, so that Cllr Bert Biscoe can take over. He lost a vote to continue as Chairman of the Finance Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and as I am still likely to carry on as the administration's choice for Chairman of the Standards Committee, I felt it only fair to offer up the Vice-Chairmanship to Cllr Biscoe. I will remain as a Member of the Overall Committee.

I attended an All Members Briefing on Superfast Broadband. A Presentation regarding Superfast Broadband Infrastructure Rollout. It included the 2017-2020 ERDF Funded Superfast Cornwall Partnership with Cornwall Council and Open Reach, Cornwall Council's Superfast Grant Scheme, and Avanti Communications, based at Goonhilly, who are running an ERDF Funded Scheme, providing Superfast Broadband via satellite, to rural businesses that cannot access superfast fibre.

Plus Safeguarding Adults. The Briefing provided an update on the Cornwall Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB), Action Plans, and the specific actions for Adult Social Care, including progress to date. It provided an update on the training, development and research plans, scheduled for the next 12 months.

On Shrove Tuesday I attended the "Hurling" in St Columb. Can I take this opportunity of saying very well done to our Town Crier, Cllr Roberts, who despite the very wet weather, did a tremendous job in his official capacity. During the evening, I and Cllr Daniels attended a Meeting with WREN in Wadebridge, where funds for St Columb Major Parish, from the Wind Farm Community Fund for the year 2019/20 was discussed and agreed. I am pleased to inform you, that the Town Council will receive £900 for St Columb in Bloom, and £900 for Christmas Lights. I will be asking Indian Queens Band if they can play on Switch-on Night, which this year will be either the 29th of November or the 6th of December, so that the children can march behind them, and they can also play at the Switch-on. Subject to your agreement, I would like you to consider donating £500 to the School, towards their Lantern Project. This will be an Agenda Item at our next Meeting. The Denzell Downs Panel meets on the 30th of April, and again the Town Council should get some money towards both projects.

I Chaired a Pre-agenda Meeting of the Standards Committee, and attended an Officer/Members Meeting of the Licensing Committee yesterday“.

636/17 Public Forum:

There were no items which any member of the public wished to raise.

637/17 Report from Police and County Councillor:

The County Councillor's Report has already been given.

There was no Police presence, and no Report had been received.

638/17 Apologies for Absence:

An Apology for Absence had been received from Cllr Culley (clash of commitments).

639/17 Members Declarations of Interest:

Declarations of Interest, in accordance with the Agenda:

None

Declarations of gifts to the value of £25:

None

640/17 To confirm Minutes of the last Full Council Meeting, held on 26th February 2019

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting, held on 26th February 2019, were presented by the Mayor.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs Rogers seconded, and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes be accepted. Cllr Allen abstained, as he was not present at the Meeting.

641/17 Payment of Accounts – Members to Approve the Payment of Accounts to the end of February 2019:

The Mayor presented the Accounts, to be paid up to the end of February 2019. A number of explanations were given about cheques issued and monies paid in. The question of the paying of Business Rates for the Library is still being looked into.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs Warner seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously, to approve the payments of accounts up to the end of February 2019.

642/17 Planning Matters:

PA19/00347: Erection of shipping container for storing alcohol for alcohol delivery business – Higher Trevornick Business Park, Winnards Perch, St Columb, Cornwall – Matthew Littlefield

No concerns had been registered on line. This seemed to be a straightforward Application, in relation to the site.

Cllr Daniels proposed, Cllr Mrs Warner seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

PA19/01385: Change of use of land for use of existing vacant caravan as a social club (reposition of the club approved under PA18/05879 in a different location within the approved park area) – Tregatillian Caravan Park, St Columb Major TR9 6JJ – Turners Parks Group

It was commented on that there is now a smaller caravan involved, and that in fact the location has moved to the top end of the site. Residents of the Park appear to be happy with the situation.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Allen seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

643/17 Neighbourhood Development Plan:

Cllr Wills gave an update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan. The next Meeting of the NDP has been arranged for Wednesday, 27th March – 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm. It was mentioned here, that it is hoped the Steering Group will be able to spend the monies that have been granted via Groundworks. All monies need to be spent by the end of March, or they will be lost. Work is still progressing on getting the Website up and running.

644/17 Christmas Lights:

Cllr Draper gave an update of the Christmas Lights. A successful Meeting has been held – 11 attended, and there were 7 apologies. The idea is for there to be smaller groups created, who will deal with individual areas regarding the Christmas Lights e.g. stalls, singing, general organisation. There will another Meeting on 1st April.

645/17 Keep Britain Tidy's Great Britain Spring Clean:

Cllr Mrs Warner gave an update on this matter. The Keep Britain Tidy's Great British Spring Clean has been placed on the Town Council's Facebook page, but unfortunately there has been no response. The project will not be pursued at this time.

646/17 Erection of Plaque in Town Hall:

Cllr Wills read a letter that had been received, regarding a request to erect a plaque somewhere in the Town Hall, in memory of Dennis Hill. Would a

commemorative bench be a better idea? Could the plaque be placed in the foyer? What is the size of the plaque? What will be the wording on the plaque? Cllr Daniels suggested putting the plaque in the Library. Cllr Mrs Rogers thought that we should do something in memory of Mr Hill. It was eventually agreed that we need more information, before we can make a decision.

647/17 **Car Park Meters – Pay by ‘Phone:**

Cllr Wills advised that technology is now available to be able to pay for car parking by ‘phone. Persons can now pay by credit, debit card, or by texting. The Town Clerk advised that AS Parking will make nothing on this, however, the Town Council will be charged 5% of every transaction that is processed. Cllr Mrs Rogers expressed some concern, saying that she has noticed that there do not appear to be many people using Wesley Place Car Park at the moment. Councillors agreed not to pursue this matter at the present time.

648/17 **Youth Club:**

Cllr Wills asked Members if they wished this matter to be discussed in Open, or Closed Session. It was agreed by 7 votes to 2, to discuss the Youth Club in Closed Session.

649/17 **Correspondence:**

The following items of Correspondence have been received:

- a) RSN Rural Funding Digest – February 2019 Edition
- b) CC – Latest Funding Information – 08.02.19
- c) The Rural Bulletin – 12 February 2019
- d) CC – Latest Funding Information – 15 February 2019
- e) NALC – Chief Executive’s Bulletin – 15 February 2019
- f) The Rural Bulletin – 19 February 2019
- g) NALC – Chief Executive’s Bulletin - 22 February 2019
- h) The Rural Bulletin – 26 February 2019
- i) CC – Latest Funding Information – 27 February 2019
- j) The Rural Bulletin – 5 March 2019
- k) CC - Latest Funding Information – 8 March 2019

650/17 **Any Other Business:**

- a) Cllr Wills spoke about a painting, of this building - Market House – 1840, that is coming up for auction soon. It is an original water colour painting. The auction price is between £100 and £150. This would be

a lovely asset for the Town Council to have hung up in the Council Chamber. Cllr Mrs Warner proposed, Cllr Allen seconded, and it was RESOLVED that we should try to obtain this painting. 8 voted for, with 1 against. (The bidder will not go above £150).

- b) Cllr Roberts asked for an update on the monies that are still in the Old Cattle Market Development Fund. The Town Clerk advised that he has been in contact with the relevant person and, whilst it is taking a very long time to sort this matter out, things are progressing
- c) Cllr Mrs Warner expressed some concern regarding the number of shops that are, or are about to, close in the town. Is there anything we can do to encourage people into the town?
- d) Cllr Wills advised that Padstow Library will be closing at the end of this month. In the interim, there will be a Mobile Library coming to Padstow from 5th April 2019.
- e) The Town Clerk reminded Councillors of the “Meet the Planners in Your Area” – 20th March 5.00 – 6.30pm in the Town Hall, Wadebridge.
- f) The Town Clerk advised that a letter has been received from the British Weights and Measures Association, regarding Pedestrian Distance Signs – Units of Measurement
- g) The Town Clerk has received a letter from Cornwall Council, regarding helping to celebrate communities across Cornwall, and as part of Cornwall Council’s 10th Anniversary projects, they are launching a Volunteering Scheme.
- h) The Town Clerk advised that a letter has been received from the Rural Services Network, calling on the Government to develop a Rural Strategy.
- i) The Town Clerk advised that we are still receiving monies from Cornwall Council, via the Transition Fund, for the Library
- j) The Town Clerk advised that Mr Roberts has agreed on the extension of the Public Convenience Cleaning Services Contract for 2019/20 for the same price.
- k) The Town Clerk advised that Mr Roberts has agreed on the extension of the Street Cleansing Contract for 2019/20. However, there will be a slight increase in the cost, as the National Living Wage has increased.

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Date of Next Full Council Meeting

The next Full Council Meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 26th March 2019 at 7.00pm. This Meeting may not take place, depending on whether there is sufficient business that requires discussion/decisions made.

652/17 **To consider the following Resolution: That the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972)**

Cllr Wills proposed this Resolution, which was seconded by Cllr Mrs Warner, and RESOLVED unanimously, that we now go into Closed Session

This part of the Meeting ended at 7.55pm

Dated: 2nd April 2019

Signed: