

# 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 Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021 at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Cllrs P Wills (Mayor), Mrs F Fuery, Mrs L Jiggins, Mrs F McLeod, S Whetter, S Taylor

**In attendance:** Mr M C Uren (Town Clerk) and one member of the public.

### 106/21 Mayor's Welcome:

The Mayor, Cllr Wills, welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

#### i) 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.

#### ii) Diary Report from Mayor and County Councillor:

Cllr Wills advised that he will be presenting his report to the next Full Council Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

### 107/21 Public Forum:

Mrs Le Couteur Bisson spoke about happenings at Talskiddy. She had basically come in place of Debbie Lambert to explain and clarify some of the matters which had been raised previously regarding The Green at Talskiddy. The Town Council had written a letter to Ms Lambert, which she had found inaccurate on some points, and upsetting overall. She had responded to the letter. Ms Le Couteur Bisson wished to explain some of the points raised in Ms Lambert's letter. She wished to confirm that there was no "cajoling or the issuing of sweets to children". She explained about the taking of photographs. At the end of the day the idea has been for the children to have somewhere where there can have imaginative play. She confirmed that there is no commercial interest, or gain whatsoever in the suggestions made. Cllr Wills explained that the Green at Talskiddy is designated as "A Village Green", and it is the responsibility

of the Town Council. Should we install additional items of equipment, it could then be designated as a “Childrens’ Play Area”. Cllr Wills confirmed that we will be sending a second letter to Ms Lambert.

**108/21      Apologies for Absence:**

Apologies for Absence had been received from Cllr Allen (personal problems), Cllr Roberts (hospital appointments overran) and Cllr Mrs Warner (unwell).

**109/21      Members Declarations of Interests:**

**i)      Declarations of Interest, in accordance with the Agenda:**

None

**ii)      Declarations of gifts to the value of £25:**

None

**110/21      Report from Police, if available:**

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

**111/21      To confirm Minutes of the Full Council Meeting, held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021:**

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting, held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021, were presented by the Mayor.

Mention was made of Paragraph 90/21 – The Green at Talskiddy, and that this matter has, in fact, now been dealt with.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs McLeod seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously that the Minutes be accepted.

The Minutes of the Closed Session of the Full Council Meeting, held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021, were presented by the Mayor.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Taylor seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously that the Minutes be accepted.

**112/21      Planning Matters:**

**PA21/08088: Full planning application for the extension of existing buildings, the provision of a new tank farm, regenerative thermal**

**oxidizer, boiler house, wastewater treatment plant, drainage, landscaping, car parking and associated engineering works – Pall (Newquay) Ltd., St Columb Major Industrial Estate, St Columb, Cornwall – Pall Manufacturing UK Ltd**

Cllr Wills advised that this Application is basically for a factory extension. He has recently met with Pall about this Application, and there is a tour arranged with other Cornwall Council Members next month. Pall is a big employer in this area. The workers actually work continental shifts. The extension to the factory is on their own curtilage. Pall will be installing their own Treatment Plant. As far as can be ascertained it should be normal waste water.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs Jiggins seconded, and it was RESOLVED to support the Application. There was one abstention.

**PA21/08723: The proposed formation of a new vehicular access serving the existing dwelling house – Pollawyn, Tregamere, St Columb TR9 6DN – Mr and Mrs C Shazell**

There did not appear to be any issues with this Application.

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

**PA21/07440: Formalize the use of existing static caravan as a residential annex to the main farmhouse; extend hardstanding around existing sheds; install a static caravan (4 x 10m) to be used as site office; relocate 2 no polytunnels and a new shed for the use of a commercial kitchen – Fentenfenna Farm, Ruthvoes, St Columb Major, St Columb – Mr Luke Berkeley**

Cllr Wills advised that this is a County owned farm. The farm used to be run by a Charity, but has now been taken over by Mr Berkeley. There are no objections from County Farms. The area concerned is not visible from the road or the surrounding area.

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

**PA21/08684: Proposed single storey rear extension to the existing dwelling house – Pollawyn, Tregamere, St Columb TR9 6DN – Mr and Mrs C Shazell**

This property is again out of sight from the road and the surrounding area.

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

**PA21/07411: Conversion of piggery to holiday accommodation – Old Mill House, Tregoose, Newquay, Cornwall – Dean and Stephen Clayton-Madge**

There appear to be no problems with this Application.

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

**113/21 Town Hall – Roof:**

The Town Clerk read a letter that he had received from Court Design and Conservation. This letter basically gives us an update as to where we currently are, and the way we need to proceed. Basically, it was agreed that we need to move forward on this Project.

To this end, Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Taylor seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to accept the terms and conditions of Court Design and Conservation, and to also confirm for them to arrange an Ecology Survey and appoint a CDM Advisor.

**114/21 Radar Speed Signs:**

The Town Clerk advised that the Radar Speed Signs should be with us on Thursday of this week.

It was also pointed out that the trees and hedges have been trimmed back in Newquay Road, from the School Lane down to opposite the Bospolvans entrance. This has been undertaken in order for the Speed Sign to be installed and for motorists to actually be able to see it.

**115/21 Electric Vehicle Charger:**

The Town Clerk advised that we have received a revised price for a 22kw Electric Vehicle Charger. The cost will be increased by about £800. However, in addition to this it has been noted that additional work will need to be undertaken on the Western Power line. The closest suitable supply point for a 22kw load is out on West Street. A trench would need to be dug from the bottom of the pole, up through the Car Park entrance to the proposed position. The additional cost of this work is between £11,000 and £13,000. A general discussion ensued, and it was eventually

agreed to put the matter on hold for 12 months, and then see if there is sufficient interest in the community to forward the matter again.

**116/21 Working Party – Play Equipment:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Hawthorn Close Play Area is progressing well. The Contractor will be on site soon to undertake the installation of all the play equipment.

With regards to The Hurlings Play Area, Cllr Allen is to meet with our Handyperson to discuss the making of the Climbing Wall. The football posts have been ordered, and again, should be with us soon.

**117/21 Twenty is Plenty:**

Cllr Wills spoke about this matter. He advised that he has been approached by residents of Trevarrian regarding having 20 mph signs erected in the hamlet. Cornwall Council are now promoting this system, and as long as hamlets, villages and towns go through the correct procedures 20 mph signs can be erected. Cllr Wills thinks it would be a good idea to have 20 mph signs erected in St Columb Major, and this looks to be a good move forward. Councillors agreed wholeheartedly with this suggestion.

**118/21 Car Parking Permits:**

Cllr Wills spoke about problems that occur on occasions with residents with Car Parking Permits for the Recreation Ground Car Park being unable to park there when there are football matches taking place, for instance. It has been suggested that we allow people with Car Parking Permits for the Recreation Ground Car Park to be able to use Trekenning Road Car Park instead. It was confirmed that Trekenning Road Car Park is never full. Councillors fully supported this action, and requested that the situation to be monitored. It was pointed out that there will be no reciprocal arrangements made for Trekenning Road Car Park Permit Holders.

**119/21 Donation Request – Go Beyond:**

Go Beyond used to be called CHICKS. We gave CHICKS a donation of £50 last March (2020). Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs Fuery seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously that we make another donation of £50 to Go Beyond.

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**Any Other Business:**

- a) Cllr Mrs Fuery expressed some concern regarding trees that are overhanging at Springfield House. We will investigate the matter further with Highways.
- b) Cllr Mrs McLeod mentioned again about the parking down at Bridge. It is basically abysmal. People just seem to park wherever they want to. Yellow lines need to be extended. Cllr Wills confirmed that it is his intention to extend yellow lines in this area in the next round of funding from the Network Highways Funding.
- c) Cllr Mrs Jiggins also made the point about general parking in the town and the necessity for more yellow lines. The question then remains as to whether people take any notice of yellow lines. Police cannot enforce anything regarding yellow lines, but Traffic Wardens can issue tickets. The problem remains that we do not have Traffic Wardens in town that often.
- d) Cllr Taylor again spoke about the hedges backing on to Bosworgey. They really do need to be cut back. It was agreed that we send a letter to the relevant farmer asking him to arrange for the hedges in question to be cut.
- e) Cllr Whetter commented on the state of hedges generally around Cornwall. Most of the hedges are in a diabolical state, and he asked Cllr Wills if this matter could be referred back to Cornwall Council - Highways.
- f) The Town Clerk advised that we have arranged to have a look around the Youth Club on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.00pm. Please could Councillors meet at the Youth Club at 7.00pm.
- g) The Town Clerk advised that we have asked Coastline to suggest a date when Councillors can visit the site of the new development off Hawkens Way.
- h) The Town Clerk asked Councillors if they could provide a short CV about themselves, which could be included on the Town Council website.

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**Date of Next Full Council Meeting:**

The next Full Council Meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.00pm.

The Meeting ended at 7.50pm

Dated: 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Signed: