

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, 15th March 2022 at 7.00pm.

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

In attendance: Mr M C Uren (Town Clerk)

204/21 Mayor's Welcome:

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

i) Housekeeping:

The Mayor addressed Councillors, 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 presented his report:

"I met with our MP, Steve Double, and representatives from Planning, Highways, St Mawgan Parish Council, and others to discuss the "No Intervention" Policy regarding the main coastal road through Mawgan Porth. It seems that should the highway, dunes or bridge be swept away or fall into the sea, Highways have no plans to reinstate! This is a crazy Policy, and the MP has requested an urgent meeting with the Service Director for Highways, Phil Mason and me to discuss this and hopefully find a way forward. I will of course update you all after this meeting.

I have met with several constituents throughout the Electoral Division to discuss issues such as Housing, Planning, Benefits, and schooling, just to mention a few.

In my role as Shadow Transport Portfolio Holder, I have met with senior officers to discuss and be briefed on all aspects of Travel Policy.

At Full Council Meeting on 22nd of February, I voted against an increase in the Tamar Bridge Toll - I voted for the budget for 2022/23.

I attended, via Teams, an All Members' Briefing on how to claim travel expenses. I have not claimed any travel since the election in May. However, with the cost of fuel increasing every day I may start to claim soon.

I have also attended both St Wenn Parish and St Mawgan Parish Council Meetings.

I attended both Hurlings of 2022 (the first since 2020) which took place on Shrove Tuesday and last Saturday. Both were very wet. It rained relentlessly. Marco Ciarleglio won the first and Harvey Ellery the second, so a win for both Town and Country. Well done to our Town Cryer, Cllr Kevin Roberts who braved the elements and did the parish proud, ringing his bell and calling the crowds on both days to order for the Calling Up and Throwing Up of the Silver Ball.

I have received a proposed costing for the new Gateway at Trevarrian as part of the Community Highways Scheme. It has come in much cheaper than I envisaged, approximately £11,000. This is part of the traffic calming measures that I as the Cornwall Councillor have been looking into and working on. With (hopefully) the proposed Solar Speed Awareness Signs from the Parish Council and the new Gateway we have come a long way in helping to reduce speed through Trevarrian.

Just to let you know, our Community Link Officer, Anna Druce has resigned. She has secured a job with the NHS and leaves at the end of March. As part of the review of staffing, several Link Officers were made redundant, although Anna was not one of them. It has been proposed, because of re-staffing, that each area will now share a Link Officer with one other area. We will be sharing ours with Wadebridge and Padstow. To date no new Link Officer has been appointed. Anna will be at our next meeting, which will be held as a face-to-face at St Columb Major Town Hall.

I have attended a Licencing Meeting, via Teams, and a Site Meeting at Pall Industries, St Columb to discuss their proposed expansion of the existing site. It's important for Members to understand the application in

front of us last time was merely an update on the application already granted some time ago.

I received representation from St Mawgan Football Club asking if I would like to donate towards the cost of a new defibrillator at the Club. I have earmarked £500 from this year's Councillor Community Chest Fund towards the cost and have received the necessary paperwork, which is now on file for when the 2022/23 fund opens in April.

I have today attended a meeting of the Constitution and Governance Committee at County Hall".

205/21 Public Forum:

There were no members of the public present.

206/21 Report from Police:

There was no Police presence, but a Report had been received.

The Town Clerk read the Report –

Crime Figures between 01.02.22 and 02.03.22 –

Assault ABH x 3
Dog dangerously out of control
Malicious communications
Burglary dwelling
Section 5 Public Order
Possession of Class B drug
Offensive weapon
Theft from motor vehicle
Affray
Criminal damage to motor vehicle x 2
Criminal damage
Fail to stop after an accident

PC 13338 Dan Carthew

Neighbourhood Beat Manager"

207/21 Apologies for Absence:

Apologies for Absence had been received from Cllr Roberts (unwell) and Cllr Allen (prior engagement).

Cllr Mrs Warner has, after a lot of heart searching, decided to resign from the Council due, in the main, to ill health.

208/21 Members' Declaration of Interests:

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

None

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

None

209/21 To confirm Minutes of the last Full Council Meeting, held on 1ST February 2022:

The Minutes of the last Full Council Meeting, held on 1st February 2022, were presented by the Mayor.

With regards to the appointment of the Town Clerk/R. F. O., three candidates will be interviewed on 4th April and one on 7th April. Should no-one be suitable for the post, we still have time to re-advertise.

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

210/21 Payment of Accounts – Members to Approve the Payment of Accounts to the end of February 2022:

The Mayor proceeded to present the Accounts, paid up to the end of February 2022.

A number of comments were made about cheques and transfers paid and income received.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs McLeod seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to approve the Payment of Accounts, up to the end of February 2022.

211/21

Planning Matters:

PA22/00809 – Non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA20/05870 dated 23.09.2020: windows and doors to have Grey

Powder Aluminium and Fascia's and Barge Boards to be Grey UPVC – 7, Bridge Hill, St Columb TR9 6BY – Judith Hughes

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

PA21/09310 – Reserved Matters application following Outline Approval PA20/10322 for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale – Land North of Tregaswith Farmhouse, Tregaswith Road, Tregaswith, Newquay – Mr James

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

It was decided to deal with the next two Applications together -

PA22/01004 – Change of use of first and second floor Offices to 2 no. self-contained Holiday Lets, including associated works – 3, Market Place, St Columb, Cornwall TR9 6AN – Mr & Mrs M Giddings

PA22/01005 – Listed Building Consent for change of use of first and second floor Offices to 2 no., self-contained Holiday Lets, including associated works – 3, Market Place, St Columb, Cornwall TR9 6AN – Mr & Mrs M Giddings

Councillors debated these Applications.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs Fuery seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Applications, as long as they are residential and not holiday lets.

PA22/01482 – Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO), works to include, T1 (Lime) – reduce specific limbs as annotated in images 001 and 002, removing approximately 4/5m on different limbs and removing any deadwood, and T2 (Beech) – reduce heavy lateral limbs, limbs A and B (see photo 003) will be reduced by approximately 2/3m leaving no cuts more than 100mm – Beech Tree House, Old Rectory Drive, St Columb, Cornwall – Sandra Webb

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs McLeod seconded, and it was RESOLVED to support the Application, subject to the Tree Officer's recommendations.

PA22/01601 – Non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA20/01824 dated 19.01.2021 for minor changes to elevations and plans as shown on drawings – Land Adjacent to Tregaswith Farm, Tregaswith, St Columb Major TR8 4HY – Mr C Thompson GPH Carpentry Ltd

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

PA22/01179 – Proposed building to house a pair of rescued toxes with porch entry and fenced outdoor run – Trewin Farm, Screech Owl Sanctuary Access to Trewin Farm over the new A30 Goss Moor, St Columb – Mr and Mrs Karen Hopkins, Screech Owl Sanctuary

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

212/21 Community Highways Scheme:

Cllr Wills spoke about the Community Highways Scheme. It was thought that the proposed work at Trevarrian would be very expensive. The estimate that has been received is quite reasonable. Each Electoral Division will receive £11,000 per year for the next three years. Our request for a RTO (double yellow lines) could now be included in the Community Highways Scheme. Members agreed that this seemed a very good way forward.

213/21 Additional CCTV Cameras:

Cllr Wills confirmed that two new CCTV cameras are being erected on properties in West Street. A number of businesses in the Union Square area have requested a CCTV camera for this area. Councillors agreed, in principle, to this request. Approval would be given at the start of the new financial year in April 2022.

One of the residents in Trekenning Road Car Park has had two vehicles damaged recently and wonders whether the camera currently erected on

Mr. Juszczak's property could be moved so that all the properties in that row are visible. It was agreed that we look into this matter and ask the resident for a contribution towards the cost.

214/21 Car Parks – Bank Holidays:

The Town Clerk advised that currently only Trekenning Riad Car Park is free on Bank Holidays. Should we make the other two Car Parks the same? Councillors discussed this matter, and it was eventually agreed that all three Car Parks should be free on Bank Holidays.

215/21 Extension of the following Contracts – Grass and Verge Cutting; Footpath Cutting; Weed Control; Footpath Cutting; Street Cleaning; Toilet Cleaning:

It was confirmed that all of these Contracts can be extended for one more year. Tenders will have to be invited next year (April 2023). There is no increase in cost for the Grass and Verge Cutting Contract, the Footpath Cutting Contract and the Weed Control Contract. With regards to the Street Cleaning and the Toilet Cleaning Contracts, the Contractor has increased prices in line with the increase of the Minimum Wage from April 2022. Some concern was expressed regarding the actual areas that are covered in the Street Cleaning Contract. We will look into this matter again and try to alleviate the anomalies.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Whetter seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to extend all of the Contracts for one more year.

216/21 Proposed Memorial for the late Mrs Bill Glanville:

Cllr Wills spoke on this matter. The suggestion is for a granite cross to be placed in the flower bed at the Cattle Market. We have sent a letter to the Old Cornwall Society and they, in turn, sent us a letter which actually crossed in the post. We have not actually had a response to our letter and we will wait until our next Meeting to discuss the matter further.

217/21 Holiday Lets and Second Homes:

All Town and Parish Councils in Cornwall have been asked if they would like to support actions made by Calstock Parish Council regarding Holiday Lets and Second Homes. Councillors discussed the matter and it was eventually proposed by Cllr Mrs McLeod, seconded by Cllr Mrs Jiggins and agreed unanimously to support the actions taken by Calstock Parish Council.

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Correspondence:

The following items of correspondence have been received:

- a) CC – Town and Parish Council Newsletter – 11.02.22
- b) CC – Supplier Newsletter – February 2022
- c) Parish Online – New tool for calculating travel time
- d) CC – Town and Parish Council Newsletter - 11.03.22

219/21

Any Other Business

- a) Cllr Wills suggested that we present a bouquet of flowers to Mrs Warner – unanimously agreed.
- b) Cllr Mrs Fuery asked about the Chalets which appear to have been removed from Trekenning Holiday Par. No-one knew the answer, but it was pointed out that it is a private business and basically they can do what they like.
- c) Cllr Mrs Fuery asked for the latest on the Coucillors “Night Out”. After some discussion it was agreed that we will try to arrange it for 13th April at The Ring o’ Bells.
- d) Cllr Mrs McLeod asked about works that are taking place at Trekenning Roundabout. It was confirmed that this is all part of the Station Road Development.
- e) Cllr Mrs McLeod confirmed that she will be attending St Breock Wind Farm Meeting on 23.03.22.
- f) Cllr Mrs Jiggins wondered why we do not see a reporter from Newquay Voice at our Council Meetings now. It appears now the all the reporters are desk journalists.
- g) Cllr Mrs Jiggins advised that there are a number of headstones in the Cemetery that require straightening. We will look into the matter.
- h) Cllr Mrs Jiggins complained about the state of the shelter in the Recreation Ground. It is disgusting and desperately needs cleaning. We will investigate the matter and arrange for cleaning to take place.
- i) Cllr Mrs Jiggins advised that although the Council has been around the town cleaning the streets, etc. the drain outside her property in Victoria Street has still not been cleared. We will take the matter up again with Cornwall Highways.
- j) Cllr Taylor requested a meeting with Pall regarding their recent Planning Application. Cllr Wills confirmed that Cllr Taylor can request this as a local Councillor. Cllr Mrs McLeod stated that she would also like to attend such a meeting.

- k) The Town Clerk spoke about roof repairs that will be carried out very soon to strengthen part of the roof where one of the rafters has rotted. Our Handyperson will be carrying out the repairs.
- l) The Town Clerk mentioned that fact that there are now 6 vacancies on the Town Council. It was agreed to advertise to see if anyone is interested in joining the Council.

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Date of Next Full Council Meeting:

The date of the next Full Council Meeting is scheduled to take place on 5th April 2022.

The Meeting ended at 8.20pm.

Dated: 5th April 2022

Signed: