

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, 22nd November 2022 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs P Wills (Mayor), S Allen (Deputy Mayor), Mrs. L Jiggins, S Taylor, S Whetter, S Culley, B Daniels and T Coad

In attendance: Mr. S Richards (Town Clerk). There was one member of the public in attendance.

121/22 **Mayor's Welcome:**

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:

Good evening,

As we only met two weeks ago tonight's report won't be too long!

Cllr Mr McLeod and I attended the Cornwall Airport Newquay Forum meeting held at the Airport. These meetings are subject to a confidentiality agreement however I can inform you that several new routes will be starting in 2023 including to Dublin, where if you are travelling onto the U.S you can clear U.S Customs at Dublin to save time upon your arrival. We also received a briefing on the possibility of taking all aspects of the airport estate under one umbrella instead of the current segments of interest as is the current situation.

I attended the monthly meeting of St Mawgan-in-Pydar Parish Council meeting, St Wenn's meeting was the same night as ours, so I sent a written report.

I virtual meeting of the Community Network Panel for Cornwall Councillors was held to discuss the next phase of the Highways scheme. Recommendations will go before the full Panel at the next meeting in December.

Our Member of Parliament Steve Double MP and I attended the short Remembrance Service on the 11th of November at the War Memorial where I laid my wreath as Cornwall Councillor. Straight after I drove to St Wenn where I laid my Cornwall Councillor Wreath.

On Remembrance Sunday I attended the wreath Laying ceremony at St Mawgan in the morning, and our parade and service in the afternoon.

In my role at Shadow Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Transport I have met with the Strategic Director for Connectivity Vicky Frazer and Phil Mason Service Director for Economic Growth and Development. We discussed the works currently underway on the A30, the new link road from St Austell to the A30, buses, the Saints Trial, and the now defunct Cycle Hub, as well as many other aspects of travel in Cornwall.

I was invited to tour Spaceport by the Director of Spaceport Melissa Thorpe, I requested that Cllr Scot Taylor be allowed to accompany me on the tour, as I had promised Cllr Taylor that I would try and get him an invite to the launch however, that may not be possible due to the strict guest list. Both Cllr Taylor and I were given an all-access tour and even invited to board Cosmic Girl the 747 Virgin Orbit aircraft that will launch the rocket from its wing once safely over the Atlantic Ocean. I think I can safely say that we were given a very comprehensive tour and all our questions were answered.

I have been in daily contact with the Town Clerk to offer my help and advice should it be needed.

I have delt with lots of correspondence and queries from constituents throughout the three parishes from Planning, housing, benefits and personal matters. All of which I treat as confidential.

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Public Forum:

Mr. Ford raised concern with the footpaths around the town and the current conditions they appear to be in. The Mayor and Town Clerk informed Mr. Ford that they would investigate the pathways in question, inform Mr. Ford their priority and that they are kept to the standard expected.

123/22 Apologies for Absence:

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs McLeod and Mrs Fuery

124/22 Members' Declaration of Interests:

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

None

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

None

125/22 To confirm Minutes of the Full Council Meeting, held on 4th October 2022:

Cllr Daniels noted to the council of an incorrect signature date.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Taylor seconded, and it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Full Council meeting dated 4th October 2022 be accepted subject to the suggested amendment.

Cllr Daniels abstained.

126/22 Planning Matters:

a. PA22/09799 - Householder application for retrospective planning permission for the remodelling of Royalton Farm - Royalton Farm Castle-an-dinas St Columb Cornwall - Mr Graham Higgins

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Allen seconded, and it was

RESOLVED unanimously to SUPPORT planning application PA22/09799

b. PA22/09741 - Site Checkpoint and Workshop - Higher Trevibban Farm St Ervan Wadebridge Cornwall - Mrs Myra Matthews Lakeside Recycling Ltd

The Council noted that given it's location this application was just for notification.

127/22 Open Spaces & Environment Matters:

a. Pub signs for the Town

The Town Clerk informed the council that he had been approached by the owners of The Ring o' Bells Pub regarding the possibility of installing classic brown pub signs.

Members discussed the process, cost and possibility of Cornwall Council installing the sign and asked the Town Clerk to investigate. If it were possible, the cost would need to be paid by the pub owners.

128/22 Events and Services:

a. Remembrance Day Report

The Town Clerk informed the council of the Remembrance Day events and procedure. The service went accordingly and there were only a few minor mistakes that have been rectified for next time.

b. Library Report

The Town Clerk passed on the report made by the Head Library Assistant to members. The footfall over the last few months had been encouraging and they have received lots of positive feedback. The craft workshops had also been successful and during the colder months, many residents have been grateful for the warm space provided.

129/22 Budget Report, Precept & Financial Matters

a. Budget Report

The Town Clerk provided members with a new Budget Report format and asked for their thoughts on the matter. Several members preferred the previous and so it was decided that the new Budget Report would be a blend of both versions in future.

The Mayor also informed members that an Auditor would be reviewing the current financial decisions and processes made by the Town Clerk in the new year. This is to provide advice and to highlight any areas for improvement.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Daniels seconded, and it was

RESOLVED unanimously to accept the Budget Report provided by the Town Clerk provided the amendments are included in future

130/22 Other Business:

a. Cllr Wills

The Mayor informed members that the windows of the Town Hall needed repair and replacement. He would work alongside the Town Clerk to prepare quotes for the next meeting and to send off a Planning Application for the work.

The Mayor would also work alongside the Town Clerk to provide an update to the roof repairs next year.

b. Cllr Allen

Cllr Allen expressed concern regarding overgrown bushes around the back of the school. The Mayor and Town Clerk informed Cllr Allen that it would be cleared at the earliest convenience.

131/22 Date of Next Full Council Meeting:

The date of the next Full Council Meeting is scheduled to take place on 10th January 2023.

The Meeting ended at 7.50pm

Dated: 10th January 2022

Signed: