

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, 7th March 2023 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs P Wills (Mayor), S Allen (Deputy Mayor), Mrs L Jiggins, S Whetter, B Daniels, S Culley

In attendance: Mr M C Uren (Town Clerk) and two members of the public.

167/22 **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:

"Since we last met -

I attended the quarterly meeting of the Cornwall Airport Newquay Forum, with Cllr Mrs Mcleod. The demise of Flybe was discussed, and the fact that Loganair will take up most of the slots vacated by Flybe. We had a very detailed report from Spaceport Cornwall, and their plans going forward. Airport passenger numbers are very much up on this time last year, and climbing back to pre-pandemic levels, but it's going to take time before we reach previous levels.

I chaired an Extraordinary Meeting of the Network Panel, with the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Allen, to confirm the Panel's feelings on the proposed Devolution Deal for Cornwall, which includes a Mayor for Cornwall. The meeting was well attended, with four out of the five local Cornwall Councillors present, and representees from Newquay Town, and St Columb Major Town Councils. I informed the meeting of St Wenn's and St

Mawgan Parish Council's views on the matter. A vote was taken where six out of the eight voting members voted against the deal. Cornwall Councillors will debate the merits of holding a referendum at its meeting in April, and the vote by Cornwall Councillors on the deal is scheduled for the July meeting.

I met online with the new Monitoring Officer for Cornwall Council, Mr Henry Lenox Boyd, in my role as Chair of Standards, to discuss many conduct issues, and the behaviour of Councillors at Committee and Council meetings. Mr Lennox Boyd has a much more pragmatic approach, and is, in my opinion, far more confident than the temp MO he has replaced. I very much look forward to working with him.

I have attended both St Mawgan and St Wenn Parish Council meetings.

I attended a meeting with the new C.A.P. members (Community Area Partnership). These will replace the Former Network Panels, to discuss Local Good Growth Delivery Frameworks, on behalf of Cornwall Council. The session was arranged to allow a deeper dive into each local area, and for members to ensure that the frameworks being developed will align to, and help address local needs.

The objectives of these sessions were to:

- Enable members to engage in the development of the framework, so it can be owned, and used locally, to inform project selection, and the case for funding.
- Discuss findings so far on analysis at a local level.
- Engage on ideas for interventions most suited to each area.
- Start to understand levels of funding required, and likely capital/revenue split.
- Identify synergies, and any potential opportunities for activities to be combined over a wider geography, particularly where better value for money, and greater cumulative impact, could be achieved.

I attended the Full Cornwall Council meeting on 21st of February, where the 2023/24 budget was agreed.

I met with members of the Oasis Centre, and the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care, Cllr Virr, to discuss how ASC can support the Oasis Centre, when they feel the need for a referral. Cllr Virr has agreed to talk with senior officers within Adult Social Care, to see if a

framework can be initiated to offer support, and guidance. I am also meeting with them at the former Wesley Chapel later this month, to agree some minor alterations they wish to make to the Kitchen area. I have confirmed with them that they must pay all utility bills, and not the Town Council.

I met online with the Highways Design Team, and Helen Fincham, our Link Officer, to discuss the proposed DYL's at St Mawgan village, and to hear the rationale behind Highway's recommendations for the scheme. Since then, St Mawgan PC have withdrawn from the proposed scheme.

I attended an online meeting with the organisers of the Watergate Bay Motorsport event, for a formal online consultation with Cornwall Councillors.

On a personal note, after 27 years together my partner Yvonne and I are finally getting married on 22nd of March - a simple ceremony at St Austell Registry Office".

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Public Forum:

Hayden Roose explained about the donation he was requesting. He is a member of the Cornwall Youth Choir, and will, hopefully, be attending an International Singing Competition in Hull, from 27th April to 1st May. This Competition is the first of its kind in the UK. It is most definitely a prestigious event. People who are involved in the event have to pay for their travel and accommodation. Hayden is requesting a donation of £400.

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Donation to Hayden Roose:

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Whetter seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to make a donation of £400 to Hayden Roose, towards the cost of participating in the International Singing Competition in Hull. Hayden was asked if he would come and tell us how the event unfolded. He said he would do so.

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Report from Police:

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

171/22 Apologies for Absence:

Apologies for Absence had been received from Cllr Coad (hospital appointment), Cllr Taylor (personal commitments), Cllr Mrs Fuery (unwell) and Cllr Mrs McLeod (unwell).

172/22 Members' Declaration of Interests:

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

None

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

None

173/22 To confirm Minutes of a Full Council Meeting, held on 6th February 2023:

The Minutes of a Full Council Meeting, held on 6th February 2023, were presented by the Mayor.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Culley seconded, and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes be accepted. There were two abstentions.

174/22 Payment of Accounts – Members to Approve the Payment of Accounts to the end of February 2023:

The Mayor proceeded to present the Accounts, paid up to the end of February 2023.

A number of comments were made about payments made and credits received. There were a number of small date specific amendments which needed to be made. Cllr Daniels queried the payment made to SeaDog IT for the NDP website. This matter will be looked into.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Allen seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to approve the Payment of Accounts, to the end of February 2023.

175/22 Planning Matters:

PA23/01268 – Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an existing use as residential let – Campanula Cottage, Castle Road, Castle-an-dinas, St Columb – Mrs Tracey Hooper

It was stated that this used to be a holiday let up until 2014, but had been a residential let since then.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Daniels seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support this Application.

PA23/00810 – Change of use of land for siting of water slide attraction – Land North of Trevornick Farm, St Columb, Cornwall TR9 6DT – Mr Arran Martin Lake Play Ltd

Two people had already visited the Town Council previously, outlining the proposal. It was confirmed that an advert is already included on Google Maps, which would seem to be a little in advance of planning approval. It was stated that the attraction would only be operational for 60 days a year. However, it would appear that Highways are not happy with the Application, due to the limitations of the single lane U 6122 access road.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Allen seconded, and it was RESOLVED to support the Application. There was one member who voted against the proposal, and one who abstained.

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Receive Tenders from Contracts:

The Town Clerk advised that tenders have now been received for all the Contracts that were advertised.

We only received one tender for each of the Contracts. Following are the Contracts, and tender prices:

Street Cleaning – A R Roberts - £11,366.83. This tender is about a 20% increase on the 2020 tender price.

Toilet Cleaning – A R Roberts - £8,942.04. This tender is about a 2% increase on the 2020 tender price.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Culley seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to accept AR Roberts's tender prices, for both the Street Cleaning and Toilet Cleaning Contacts.

Grass Cutting – A1 Tree & Grounds Ltd - £19780. This tender is about a 15% increase on the 2020 tender price.

Verge Cutting – A1 Tree & Grounds Ltd - £1,400. This tender is about a 10% increase on the 2020 tender price.

Weed Control – A1 Tree & Grounds Ltd - £1,800. This tender is about a 30% increase on the 2020 tender price.

Footpath Cutting – A1 Trees & Grounds Ltd - £2,000. This tender is about a 60% increase on the 2020 tender price.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Allen seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to accept A1 Tree & Grounds Ltd's tender prices, for the Grass Cutting, Verge Cutting, Weed Control, and Footpath Cutting Contracts.

177/22 **Coronation Celebrations:**

The Mayor gave an update on the Coronation Celebrations. Coronation Mugs have been ordered. He showed a sample mug to Members. Arrangements for Party in the Park are now well under way. Bands have been booked, stage arranged, generator booked, toilets arranged, security booked, skip booked, and Fireworks booked. The event will take place on Saturday, 6th May 2023 from 2.00pm, with the Fireworks finishing the day off at about 9.00pm. Members will be kept updated with developments as they happen.

178/22 **Annual Parish Meeting:**

The Town Clerk advised that the date scheduled for the Annual Parish Meeting is 18th April 2023 at 7.00pm. Annual Parish Meetings have to be held between 1st March and 1st June. Normally here we do not get a very good turn-out, but we will wait and see what happens this year.

The Town Clerk advised that the Annual Meeting of the Town Council will be on Tuesday, 9th May 2023 at 7.00pm.

179/22 **Correspondence:**

The following items of correspondence have been received:

- a) CC – Town and Parish Council Bulletin – His Majesty King Charles III's Coronation

- b) The Motor Cycling Club Ltd – The 99th Land's End Trial

180/22 **Any Other Business**

- a) Cllr Allen commented on the increase in dog fouling around the town. We will check to see if we can still get any help from Cornwall Council with regards to Dog Wardens, etc.

- b) Cllr Culley also commented on the dog fouling, and made particular reference to the main street.
He also mentioned about the toilets behind the Town Hall, which appeared to be locked over the weekend. We will look into this matter, but were only aware that one of the toilets had been shut awaiting repairs.

- c) Cllr Daniels asked about the RTO, and exactly where the double yellow lines will be painted. The Town Clerk stated that he has information on the exact locations, and invited Cllr Daniels into the Office to view these.

- d) The Town Clerk spoke about the replacement of the windows at the rear of the Town Hall. A Listed Building Consent Application is now active, with the closing date being 27th March 2023. With regards to the actual replacement of the windows, we still have not received a quotation from the successful Contractor based in Sheffield, only an approximate price. The matter will be looked into and sorted as soon as possible. Apparently a site visit would be required, to confirm measurements, and produce a final quote.

181/22 **Date of Next Full Council Meeting:**

The date of the next Full Council Meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 21st March 2023 at 7.00pm.

182/22 **Resolution:**

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).

This part of the Meeting ended at 7.55pm.

Dated: 21st March 2023

Signed: