ST COLUMB MAJOR TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting of St Columb Major Town Council, held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, St Columb Major, on Tuesday 7th May 2019 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs P Wills, E Culley, Mrs B Rogers, Mrs L Jiggins, Mrs F Fuery, B Daniels, K. Roberts, W Draper, S Allen

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

1/19 **Election of Mayor for Civic Year 2019/20:**

Five nomination papers had been received. All nomination papers had been proposed and seconded. There was one nomination for Town Mayor – Cllr Wills. A vote was taken. There was a unanimous vote in favour of Cllr Wills being elected Town Mayor, for the Civic Year 2019/20.

2/19 **Election of Deputy Mayor for the Civic Year 2019/20:**

Six nomination papers had been received. All nomination papers had been proposed and seconded. There was one nomination for Deputy Mayor – Cllr Mrs Warner. A vote was taken. There was a unanimous vote in favour of Cllr Mrs Warner being elected Deputy Mayor, for the Civic Year 2019/20.

3/19 **Mayor's Welcome:**

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.

4/19 **Announcement and Diary Dates:**

The Mayor's Report (also incorporating the County Councillor's Report) was presented by Cllr Wills:-"I visited the Alpacas at the CHy-lowen Alpacas Tregaswith, to see for myself the work they do

with young people, with many different problems. It was great to meet with Mary and Mike, and some of the young people who benefit from working with the animals.

I attended the Community Network Meeting, held in St Mawgan. We heard from Rachael Reid, Waste and Recycling Community Support Officer – Mid Cornwall. Rachael was from the Waste and Recycling Community Engagement Team, and spoke about the garden waste subscription, as well as taking a quick glance at the waste and recycling provision currently, and in the future. As you may be aware, the way our waste is collected is being changed from 2021. There will no longer be weekly collections of black sacks. Instead, you will either have a wheelie bin, or seagull-proof sack, to put your black bags into, dependant on where you live, and accessibility for the collection vehicles. These will then be collected fortnightly.

Also we heard from "Cycling Safety & Integration Highways Agency Designated Funds" - Doug Boden, Cornwall Council's Transport Principal Officer, gave a very interesting talk on proposals for the high quality walking and cycling network across central Cornwall. Spanning more than 30 kilometres, the work will significantly improve the cycle network, increasing cycling as a method of travel to work, attract leisure and tourism trips, and contribute to healthy and active lifestyles, while opening access to the countryside, to be enjoyed by resident and tourist cyclists alike. We looked at the area from Perranporth to Newquay. Other areas that will be included in the Scheme are Threemilestone to St Agnes, Trispen to Idless, St Newlyn East to Carland Cross, and Chiverton to Carland Cross.

We also discussed the next round of funding from the Highways Scheme for our area. I am pleased to report the Rosenannon lights project will now go ahead, and the new 30mph speed limit in the village will be imposed. For this round of funding I am proposing and supporting the lighting of Cross Putty Junction in St Columb Major. This Junction has been a danger for many years, and lighting the area will improve road safety greatly. I would ask that the Parish/Town Council, when putting forward any ideas for a Scheme, be realistic regarding the size and cost of any Scheme.

I attended an All Members Briefing at New County Hall on Elective Home Education - Updating members on current position, numbers of pupils EHE, and activities being undertaken to reduce the numbers of children leaving schools to EHE, where it is not in their best interest.

Integrated Place Based Services - Members were briefed on the development of a local offer of migrated services, with oversight by a Local Development Partnership.

Animal Licensing - Members were given an overview of licensing and an update on changes in Animal Licensing, which is going to cause an impact for current operators.

I attended the Meeting of Full Council at County Hall, and the same evening the Annual Parish Meeting in St Columb Major. I very much look forward to attending St Wenn's Annual Parish Meeting next week.

The Steering Group for St Columb's NDP met last week. I also attended, alongside our new Community Link Officer, Anna Druce, who introduced herself, and gave some very interesting pointers on how to progress with St Columb's NDP.

I chaired a Full Meeting of Cornwall Council's Standards Committee, where two Working Groups were formed. One will look at what can be implemented now from the recommendations from the Parliamentary Committee on Standards in Public Life's recent report, and recommendations to the Secretary of State, and what recommendations will need to wait for primary legislation before implementation. The other will look at recruitment processes for the Cornwall Council Standards Committee, with a view to major recruitment over the next two years, in order to refresh the Committee.

I chaired the Meeting of the Funding Panel for the Denzell Downs Wind Farm Community Fund for the St Columb Major Electoral Division, which includes St Wenn Parish. We met to distribute this year's grants. I am pleased to report all those who applied for funding got nearly all they asked for. The full list of who got what will be published once the "Grantscape" Board has met to finalise the decisions made at the Meeting.

It was an honour for me to nominate for a "Cornwall Civic Award", Mr Phil Tremain from St Columb Major. Phil served on the Parish Council for many years, including a year as Chairman. He is currently Captain of the Bell Ringers at the Church, and has been a Bell Ringer for the best part of his life. He has organised many events within the Parish, and taken the Bell Ringers to new heights, organising trips to various locations throughout the country, and beyond, and winning many competitions. In fact, the next Bell Ringers' trip is this Saturday to Tavistock, and I can't wait to join them, and have a fun packed day. For over thirty years he has been the Editor of the Parish Magazine, alongside his wonderful wife, soul mate, and rock, Denise, who has always supported Phil in all his endeavours. "Town and County" Parish Magazine keeps parishioners informed of life and the goings on within the parish. Phil was a public servant working for Cornwall County Council, as it was then, until he retired ten years ago. Phil is a Lay Minister within the Lann Pydar Benefice, and conducts regular services. As a regular churchgoer, one of my favourite Sundays is when Phil conducts Sunday Prayer Services in our parish church. His sermons are always delivered with passion and conviction. I always ask myself after one of Phil's sermons "Am I doing enough?" He has helped many families within the parish, and beyond, who have suffered the loss of loved ones, and has conducted more funeral services than I'm sure he cares to remember. The Church is an integral part of Phil's life. He won the coveted "Hurling Ball" (for Town) in the Queen's Silver Jubilee year 1977. Phil is not the kind of person who seeks recognition for his work. It's always been something he has done quietly, with little or no fuss. He is a man who cares deeply about St Columb Major, it's people, it's heritage and its future. The ceremony took place last Wednesday at New County Hall".

5/19 **Public Forum:**

The Mayor invited the members of the public to address the Town Council on any issues, should they so wish.

Mr Bradbury spoke about Planning Application PA19/03152. He explained in detail exactly what is anticipated to be built on this site. A comment was made about the fact that the fuel storage tanks are

still in situ underground. Mr Powell confirmed that they will be removed prior to any work taking place – the tanks are currently inert. Mention was made about contamination. It was stated that no adverse comments have been received regarding this development. Mr Powell confirmed that the road way in will remain the same. County Highways have stated that the entrance is, in their opinion, "sub-standard". This matter has to be resolved. In actual fact there will be a reduction in traffic flow, according to Mr Powell.

Mrs Tonkin and Mrs Kirton offered their support to the development at Sun Valley Caravan Park.

Mr Wannacott spoke about Planning Applications PA19/02517 and PA19/02560. He explained in detail about both Applications. The area concerned will be bunded, and the building will be a standard industrial type building.

6/19 **Reports from County Councillor, and Police, if available**

The County Councillor's Report has already been given.

P C Lenton had offered his apologies, as had Inspector Meredith. No report had been received either.

7/19 **Apologies for Absence:**

An Apology for Absence was received from Cllr Mrs Warner (unwell).

8/19 **Members Declarations of Interest:**

i) Declarations of Interest, in accordance with the Agenda:
None

ii) Declarations of gifts to the value of £25:
None

9/19 **To confirm Minutes of the last Full Council Meeting held on 2nd April 2019:**

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting, held on 2nd April 2019, were presented by the Mayor. Nothing further has been heard about the placing of the plaque for Denis Hill in the Library. We have not received a response from the School as to whether they

received the donation towards the Lantern Project. We have received a letter of thanks from Our Town St Columb for the donation that was sent to them.

Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Culley seconded, and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes be accepted. There were two abstentions, as neither Cllrs Roberts or Mrs Fuery were present at the Meeting.

10/19 **Planning Matters:**

PA19/02517: Extension of existing use of land for storage and distribution (B8) use, together with associated works, including earth bunding, boundary fencing and hard standing – Seventh Haven, St Columb, Cornwall TR9 6HR – Mr and Mrs Terry and Sandra Sleeman

Councillors had received information regarding this Application earlier in the Meeting.
Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Mrs Rogers seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

PA19/02635: Variation of Condition 2 of PA18/04847 (Proposed single-storey bedroom extension of front of property and conversion of existing ground floor bedroom to en-suite wet room) to allow a change of design and reduction in size – Condition Number: 2 Condition Removal: The Scheme has changed in design and reduced in size due to the location of a public sewer within the curtilage of the property. We would wish for the Condition to be changed to reflect the revised drawings and design of the Scheme – 35, Bospolvans Road, St Columb, Cornwall TR9 6SG – Miss Tanya Timson

In principle there appear to be no problems with this Application. It was wondered why the public sewer had not been noted before.
Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Allen seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

PA19/02560: Demolition of existing building and erection of a building for storage and distribution (B8) use, together with associated works – Seventh Haven, St Columb, Cornwall TR9 6HR – Mr and Mrs Terry and Sandra Sleeman

Cllr Daniels confirmed that the power line issue had been dealt with earlier. He considers that the Application now makes it more purpose built.

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

PA19/03025: Construction of detached garage with storage above – Old Mill House, Trebudannon, Newquay TR8 4LP – Mr and Mrs Nelson

It was stated that the property is well out of the way, and the work proposed will actually enhance the property.
Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Daniels seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

PA19/02934: Listed Building Consent to replace all softwood single double glazed box sash windows to the front elevation with hardwood double glazed box sash windows of the same design – Wonford House, 15, Bank Street, St Columb, Cornwall – Mr Peter Dickens

According to one of the comments received, there was insufficient information. It was considered that with the replacement of the sash windows, it would improve the property's appearance and energy efficiency.
Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Roberts seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

PA19/03095: Alterations to existing shed and erection of new timber shed to be used as model railway room with storage of children's outdoor toys. Open decked area overlooking our garden only – Lower Tregamere, Tregamere, St Columb, Cornwall – Dr Annette Taylor

Again it was stated that this property is out of sight. Cllr Daniels advised that he had found the documentation confusing.
Cllr Mrs Rogers proposed, Cllr Mrs Jiggins seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

PA19/03152: Demolition of existing block of garages and construction of new retirement semi-detached houses and apartments and associated landscaping - Land North West of Sun Valley Caravan Park, Station Road, St Columb, Cornwall – Kernow Park Homes

Concern was expressed about the fuel storage tanks. What is their long term stability? It was thought that this development would

certainly “tidy up” the area as you enter the town. Cllr Daniels expressed some concern regarding the three-storey properties. He felt that a two-storey block would be more appropriate to the existing profile. As stated previously, there will be two semi-detached houses, and six apartments, with eight allocated parking spaces.
Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Allen seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application, with the proviso that the fuel storage tanks must be removed in the first instance.

PA19/03332: Application for works to a tree subject to a tree preservation order – Felling of a Sycamore (T1) – Meadow View, Old Rectory Drive, St Columb TR9 6BY – Mrs Hannah Steadman

Cllr Daniels stated that the tree in question is in a terrible state, and part of it is rotten. It should be removed.
Cllr Daniels proposed, Cllr Mrs Jiggins seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application, subject to the Tree Officer’s recommendations.

PA19/02655: 1 x existing stainless steel tank 3.2m x 5m to be relocated from onsite existing tank farm to existing hard standing 10m away from tank farm – Pall (Newquay) Ltd., St Columb Major Industrial Estate, St Columb, Cornwall – Mr Jon Payne Pall

This appears to be merely moving a waste storage tank from one position to another.
Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Draper seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

PA19/02857: Retention and alterations to garage approved under PA15/01047 together with additional extension to garage – Rosewastis Farm, Newquay, Cornwall TR8 4LT – Mr Richard Skinner

It has been stated that there should be no more modern development on this site after this Application.
Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Daniels seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to support the Application.

11/19 **To appoint Council Representatives on the following Outside Bodies:**

The following Councillors were appointed to sit on Outside Bodies:

RAF	Mayor
Emergency Planning	Mayor
Community Network	All Members are welcome to attend any Network Panel Meeting
Newquay Airport Forum	Cllrs Wills and Roberts
St Breock Wind Farm Community Panel	Cllrs Wills and Daniels
Denzell Downs Wind Farm Community Panel	Cllrs Wills and Mrs Warner

12/19 **Standing Orders 2019, Financial Regulations 2019, Statement of Internal Control 2019 and Code of Conduct for Cornwall Council 2019:**

It was agreed that the four above items be taken as one.
Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Roberts seconded, and it was RESOLVED unanimously to approve Standing Orders 2019, Financial Regulations 2019, Statement of Internal Control 2019, and Code of Conduct for Cornwall Council 2019

13/19 **Schedule of Meetings 2019/20:**

A new Schedule of Meetings for 2019/20 was presented to Members.
Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Roberts seconded, and it was RESOLVED that the Schedule of Meetings for 2019/20 be accepted.

14/19 **Devolution Projects – Transfers from Cornwall Council**

Cllr Wills explained about where we actually are with regards to taking over the areas of land in St Columb Major. Councillors have already approved the transfers. We will be receiving £10,320 towards any Consultation Costs, and £13,620 towards the cost of resurfacing Trekenning Road Car Park. Paperwork now has to be signed on the six areas of land to be transferred.

15/19 **Citizen of the Year 2019/20:**

A number of people, and indeed organisations, were suggested. It was agreed for Members to think about this, and report back to the next Meeting.

16/19 **CCTV Camera for Fore Street:**

Cllr Wills spoke about this matter. As Councillors were aware, it is the Police who have requested an additional camera in this area. This will help with prevention and protection of the area to be covered. The old Barclays Bank is the ideal location. This is a Listed Building. The owner of the property has no problem with cameras being placed on the building. It was suggested that if cameras are placed inside the building, they are then considered to be surveillance cameras, and would not require Listed Building Consent.
After some further discussion, Cllr Wills proposed, Cllr Roberts seconded, and it was RESOLVED to erect two cameras on the old Barclays Bank Building. There were three abstentions.

17/19 **Cornwall Association of Local Councils (CALC):**

The Town Clerk spoke about what the Membership of the Association offers. The cost is £1,083.84 + VAT. After some deliberations, it was unanimously decided not to renew CALC's membership again this year.

18/19 **Network Highways Scheme – Round 2:**

Cllr Wills spoke about this matter. Town and Parish Councils can submit an Expression of Interest Form (EOI), as can County Councillors. Cllr Wills intends to submit an EOI for the installation of lighting at the Cross Putty Junction. Cllr Draper advised that the Cross Putty Junction is in need of changes to make it safe. The entrance width of the slip road could be increased, for example. We could request County Highways to submit a price for improving this junction. Cllr Daniels was of the opinion that there was fundamentally very little wrong with the junction, just some bollards that needed replacing, and the grass on the kerbstones cut back. He could see no need for additional lighting on this junction.

Cllr Wills advised that County Highways had funded the dropping of the kerbs at the Cattle Market. Cllr Draper spoke about the actual

positioning of the new dropped kerbs. Surely they are not in the position that we requested.

Cllr Daniels again spoke about the possible provision of a pavement, or hard standing area at the top of Highfield. We are awaiting a price to undertake this work.

19/19 **St Columb Major Carnival Week:**

Carnival Week is from 3rd to 10th August 2019.
Councillors approved the Carnival Committee the use of the Recreation Ground and Car Park on the dates specified.

Mention was made about the fact that the side entrance to the Recreation Ground was closed for last year's Party in the Park. Could this please be re-opened for this year? We will mention this aspect to the Carnival Committee.

20/19 **Correspondence:**

The following items of Correspondence have been received:

a) NALC Newsletter – 03.04.19
b) Cornwall Countryside Access Forum – Recruitment 2019
c) Cornwall Council – Climate Emergency
d) NALC – Sponsorship and Exhibition Opportunities
e) Cornwall Council – Housing Supplementary Planning Document Consultation
f) NALC – Chief Executive's Bulletin – 05.04.19
g) CC – Localism Newsletter – Highways Engagement Sessions
h) The Rural Bulletin – 09.04.19
i) NALC Newsletter – 10.04.19
j) NALC – Chief Executive's Bulletin – 12.04.19
k) The Rural Bulletin – 16.04.19
l) NALC – Chief Executive's Bulletin – 18.04.19
m) CC – Public Spaces Protection Orders: Renewal of existing dogs on beaches restrictions to come into effect from April/May 2020
n) NALC – Chief Executive's Bulletin – 26.04.19
o) The Rural Bulletin – 30.04.19
p) RSN Rural Funding Digest – May 2019 Edition
q) NALC – Chief Executive's Bulletin – 03.05.19

21/19 **Any Other Business:**

a) Cllr Wills advised that a number of local residents had raised money to buy a crucifix for the second Chapel. It was agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to The Coaching Inn.
b) Cllr Wills advised that it is the time of the year when we acknowledge the tremendous work undertaken by our Town Crier/Sergeant. As in previous years, he is to be awarded an honorarium of £150.
c) Cllr Culley advised that he had received a number of complaints regarding the state of some of the Allotments. Cllr Wills confirmed that the Allotment Committee will be undertaking an Inspection within the next two weeks.
d) Cllr Mrs Rogers spoke about the surface of the road between the Surgery and Trelawney Park. It was stated that it was only resurfaced last year, but is now really in a mess. We will refer the matter to County Highways.
e) Cllr Mrs Fuery stated that the entrance steps to Trekenning Road Car Park are again becoming overgrown. We will look into this mater.
f) Cllr Daniels referred again to the sycamore trees that are overhanging the road going down Bridge Hill. This matter was mentioned last year, but nothing appears to have happened. The matter was referred to County Highways, but we have had no response. We will refer the matter again to County Highways.
g) Cllr Mrs Jiggins stated that there used to be seats inside the side entrance to the Recreation Ground. Could they be replaced? We will look into the matter.
h) Cllr Daniels stated that the seat outside the Old Liberal Club needs renovating.
i) The Town Clerk advised that the first half of the Precept for 2019/20 was received on 5th April 2019.

22/19 **Date of Next Full Council Meeting:**

The next Full Council Meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 21st May 2019.

23/19 **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 Culley, and RESOLVED unanimously, that we now go into Closed Session

This part of the Meeting closed at 8.25pm

Dated: 21st May 2019 Signed: