

PADSTOW TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Tuesday 30 October 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Council Offices, Station House, Station Road, Padstow

Present: R Higman (Chairman), C Watson-Smyth (Vice-Chairman), F J Bealing, R Buscombe, R Clark, A P Flide, K Freeman, H M Saunders, Mrs A E Symons and Mrs T Walter

In Attendance: Mrs K Pemberton (Town Clerk), Mrs S Daly (Support Officer and Minute Taker) and 3 members of the public.

2018/93 To receive apologies for absence and announcements:
Apologies were received from Councillors A Rickard and D N Vivian.

2018/94 Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations of interest.

2018/95 Dispensations: There were no dispensations.

2018/96 Public Participation:

i) A member of the public addressed Council regarding agenda item 9 b) iv) Coastal Sculpture Cornwall and tabled an event summary and portfolio which provided further information. Points raised included:

- The proposal was for a 3 week outdoor, not-for-profit, free-to-public exhibition based on an already successful Australian concept;
- It was thought Chapel Stile Field's location provided the best back drop, had good access and it's general location was close to amenities;
- Lack of art in the area had led to a lack of art funding in the area. It was noted that the Arts Council had allocated approx. 9.4 million for Cornwall over the next 3 years, none of which has been awarded to North Cornwall;
- The event was aimed for both the community and for tourists;
- The exhibition aims to remove barriers to accessing art and offers an extensive educational programme;
- The event team has secured funding through an environmental award, received support from Scott Mann MP, the National Trust Managing Director and the South West Coast Path Organisation;
- Cornwall Council's Event Planning, Public Open Spaces and Local Safety Advisory teams are supportive of the concept and await details of location.

ii) A member of the public addressed Council to express support for Agenda Item 19: Crib Box and its proposed small extension.

iii) There was no Cornwall Councillor report.

iv) Police Report: The police report for the period 21/09/2018 – 25/10/2018 was noted for information. It detailed that there had been 10 recorded crimes and 32 incidents, being an increase of 25% and 14.3% respectively, for the same period in 2017. It was noted that a number of the calls were regarding a male suffering from mental health issues and also a number of calls from an

address linked to a domestic related issue. The report sited 3 reports of Criminal Damage involving graffiti and requested help in identifying the offenders.

2018/97 Minutes Tuesday 25 September 2018: RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25 September 2018 were a true record of the meeting and they were signed by the Chair.

2018/98 Clerk's Report/Work Programme: The update was noted as per the agenda report. The Town Clerk confirmed that Collards were on site and had begun work on the Railway Toilets.

A member expressed thanks to the Chairman for the Trevone Flagpole.

2018/99 Committees/Working Group Meetings:

- a) **RESOLVED** to receive the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday 9 October 2018.
- b) **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes and approve the recommendations (if any) of the Highways, Roads and Transport Committee meeting held on 16 October 2018

2018/100 Finance: Monthly Accounts and Payments October 2018

- a) The monthly finance report was received and noted for information.
- b) **RESOLVED** to i) ratify accounts paid October (a) of £11,143.18 and standing orders/direct debits paid of £14,982.76; ii) ratify accounts paid October (b) of £11,741.84 and direct debits paid of £820.76; and iii) approve the addendum to accounts outstanding for payment of £4,423.80 and cheques written/direct debits paid since last statement of £157.32 having been tabled and read.
- c) Car park takings were noted.
- d) Internal Audit Report was noted.
- e) Bank Reconciliation availability was noted.

2018/101 Correspondence:

- a) Correspondence for information was noted.

b) (i) Cornwall Council free parking provision letter: The suggestion in the agenda report of 1 December was noted. Members considered that this event would be attended largely by locals who would not require car parking. It was therefore suggested that either the Friday or Saturday of the Christmas Festival would be most beneficial.

RESOLVED that in response to Cornwall Council's offer to provide 1 day of free car parking in their car parks during the Festive period, Saturday 8 December 2018 be proposed for the Padstow area to coincide with the Padstow Christmas Festival.

(ii) England Coast Path Improvements: A Councillor raised an issue at St George's Well regarding flooding and a need for resurfacing. Councillor Buscombe advised that he was attending a site meeting in that area the following day in his capacity as Cornwall Councillor and invited Councillor Clark, who has raised the matter to attend. It was noted that it would be necessary for Cornwall Council to involve the landowner in any discussions regarding improvements

and access to this area, particular mention was made of drainage issues.

Members considered that the coast path from the Trevone direction was in relatively good order. It was felt that any further comments could be fed through Cornwall Councillor Buscombe.

RESOLVED That Councillor Clark attend the site meeting at St George's Well with Cornwall Councillor Buscombe and that any further comments regarding coast path improvements should be fed through Cornwall Councillor Buscombe.

(iii) Padstow Harbour Commissioners Safety Sign: Consideration was given to the Harbour Commissioners request to erect a safety sign in Stile Field towards George's Well warning of soft sand. One member suggested that the proposed signage could be extended to direct buggies to George's Well via the coast path. It was noted that the proposed route was across private land, furthermore it was understood that this access was not encouraged and that fencing prohibiting such access had been removed by members of the public.

Members were supportive of the Harbour Commissioners proposal and considered that a site meeting should be convened to discuss the size and location.

RESOLVED to grant permission to Padstow Harbour Commissioners to erect a soft sand safety sign in Stile Field and that details of its size and location be delegated to the Chairman in consultation with the Town Clerk.

(iv) Coastal Sculpture Cornwall: Members considered that more information was required before a decision could be made on this item. Concerns were expressed regarding the logistics, liabilities, and "making good" the area following the exhibition. It was thought a good suggestion to hold a site meeting to discuss these and other issues and that this be reported back to the November meeting of the Full Council.

Some members expressed concern regarding the proposed timing of the exhibition considering that July and August were incredibly busy. It was noted that it did still include some weeks of school term time and that this was deliberate so that school children could be involved.

RESOLVED the Coastal Sculpture Cornwall representative be invited to a site meeting with the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Town Clerk to ascertain further details and that these be reported to the next meeting of the Full Council.

(v) Padstow Museum Offer: The agenda update was noted. It was not known how much the clock would cost to restore to working order but was considered not necessary to fix. It was considered that due to the clocks size the most suitable location would be the Town Clerks office. As a Padstow clock, members were keen that the clock be accommodated in the Town Council Offices on a loan basis from Padstow Museum.

RESOLVED to accept the offer from Padstow Museum to house the grandfather clock made by John Best, Padstow Clockmaker on a loan basis but not to restore its timepiece.

2018/102 Camel Community Alliance: The Chairman provided an update on this item. He expressed thanks to Padstow's Cornwall Councillor Richard Buscombe for his attendance at the last meeting which had been held in the Town Council Chamber.

Concern was raised that if not careful, the Camel Community Alliance Group (CCA) could overlap with the work of the Community Network Areas (CNA).

Comment was made that the CNAs were possibly "not fit for purpose" if it was felt that the 3 major towns in the area were not properly addressed in the current format. The Town Clerk advised that the last action of the group had been to request a meeting with CC Councillor Edwina Hannaford to raise concerns regarding the CNA. Suggestion was made that it would likely be most beneficial if the group had some alternative proposals to the current CNA to take to Councillor Hannaford as well as raising concerns.

The Chairman concluded that the CCA was starting to take shape. It was felt that one of main issues at present was the congestion caused by large vehicles using the St Issey and Little Petherick roadway. It was noted that the next meeting would be taking place in December and would be hosted by Bodmin Town Council.

2018/103 First World War Centenary: The update was noted as per the agenda report. The Chairman advised that he would be delighted if his fellow Councillors could all attend on the 11 November.

2018/104 Skate Park Project: The Town Clerk had hoped to share details of a tree replanting scheme to meet Cornwall Council's pre-use condition on the Skate Park. She had yet to receive further information from the Tree Expert and sought Council's view on deferring the matter to the next meeting of the Leisure, Tourism and Open Spaces Committee to avoid delay.

The Town Clerk advised that a site meeting had been arranged for the next day, following which works were expected to start. The slip to the timetable had been due to the contractor, Bendcrete, being delayed on a prior project.

RESOLVED that the Tree Expert's report be deferred to the next meeting of the Leisure, Tourism and Open Spaces Committee for consideration.

2018/105 Reports from Members/Outside Organisations: The Chairman updated that he attended various civic services and engagements during October and had also taken part in the judging of St Columb Major's carnival.

Councillor Clark advised that he had attended a recent meeting of the Camel Trail Partnership. Issues raised had been an increase in vandalism and damage along the camel trail and discussions regarding licenses for bike hire.

- 2018/106 Meeting Dates:** Date of next meeting Tuesday 27 November 2018 at 7.30 pm was noted. Further, the postponement of the Staffing Committee meeting to Tuesday 13 November 2018 and all other future meetings were noted.
- 2018/107 It was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public due to the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.**
- 2018/108 Confidential Minutes Tuesday 25 September 2018:**
RESOLVED that the confidential minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Tuesday 25 September 2018, were a true record of the meeting and they were signed by the chair.
- 2018/109 Confidential Committee Minutes: RESOLVED** to adopt the confidential minutes and approve the recommendations (if any) of the Highways, Roads and Transport Committee meeting held on 16 October 2018.
- 2018/110 Padstow Core Building:** See confidential minutes.
- 2018/111 Crib Box:** See confidential minutes.
- 2018/112 Lease/Tenant Issues Update:** See confidential minutes.

Meeting closed at 8.43 pm