

## PADSTOW TOWN COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Extra-ordinary Full Council meeting held on Tuesday 17 September 2019 at 7.00 pm in the Council Offices, Station House, Station Road, Padstow**

**Present:** C Watson-Smyth (Chairman), A P Flide, F J Bealing, R Buscombe, M Evans, K Freeman, R Higman, A Rickard, Mrs A E Symons, D N Vivian and Mrs T Walter

**In Attendance:** Mrs K Pemberton (Town Clerk), Mrs S Daly (Support Officer and Minute Taker) and 1 member of the public.

**2019/80 To receive apologies for absence and announcements:** i) Apologies were received from Councillor H M Saunders; and ii) There were no announcements.

**2019/81 Declarations of Interest:** Councillors R Buscombe, A Rickard, F J Bealing and Mrs A E Symons declared an interest in Agenda Item 6: May Day Arrangements.

**2019/82 Dispensations:** 4 requests for a dispensation were received in respect of Agenda Item 6: May Day Arrangements. Councillors R Buscombe, A Rickard, F J Bealing and Mrs A E Symons all requested dispensations to participate in discussions in respect of this item. Councillors F J Bealing and Mrs A E Symons also requested dispensations to participate in any votes taken on this matter.

The Chairman read aloud considerations in respect of the dispensation requests. Council noted the reasons given for all 4 dispensations was "the dispensation is in the interest of persons living in the authority's area".

**RESOLVED** i) to grant Councillors R Buscombe and A Rickard a dispensation to participate in any discussion of the "Future Running of May Day" held by Padstow Town Council until election 2021; and ii) to grant Councillors F J Bealing and Mrs A E Symons a dispensation to participate in any discussion and vote on the "Future Running of May Day" until election 2021 held by Padstow Town Council.

**2019/83 Public Participation:** One member of the public sought clarification on agenda item 6 not being in public session. The Town Clerk confirmed that appropriate advice had been taken in this matter both CALC and CC and the exception categories (Schedule 12A of the LG Act 1972, as amended) were Category 5: Information in respect of which claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings; and Category 7: Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

**2019/84** It was **RESOLVED** to exclude the press and public due to the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

**2019/85** **May Day Arrangements:** Members gave consideration to the confidential agenda report and were supportive of the advice and recommendations outlined therein.

In addition to the recommendation, they wished to include in the letter that Cornwall Council are the organisation best placed to identify all relevant parties involved in May Day. Members were in agreement that the Town Clerk seek advice as to who should sign the reply letter to Devon and Cornwall Police and action accordingly.

**Councillors R Buscombe and A Rickard left the meeting at the time of the vote and did not return.**

**RESOLVED** that in response to the letter received from Devon and Cornwall Police a reply be sent as per the recommendations in paragraph 3.5 of the confidential agenda report.

**Councillors F J Bealing and Mrs A Symons abstained from voting and requested their abstentions be recorded.**

Meeting closed at 7.30 pm