

PADSTOW TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Padstow Town Council held on Tuesday 25 January 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Church Rooms, Church Street, Padstow

Present: C Watson-Smyth (Chairman), J O'Keefe (Vice-Chairman), Mrs J Dawe, A P Flide, K Freeman, R Higman, A N Rees, M Rickard and Mrs T Walter

In Attendance: Mrs K Pemberton (Town Clerk), Mrs N Barnes (RFO), Councillor Rushworth (Cornwall Councillor) and 3 members of the public

2021/129 To receive apologies for absence and announcements:

Apologies were received from Councillors D N Vivian. There were no announcements.

2021/130 Declarations of interest from Members: Councillors Mrs T Walter and C Watson-Smyth both declared an interest in agenda item 19.

2021/131 Dispensations: There were no dispensations.

2021/132 Public Participation:

A member of the public wished to raise an issue concerning the Walled Garden planning application. The member of public was advised it wasn't on the Council agenda for discussion but it would be going to the next Planning Committee meeting.

Cornwall Councillor's Report: Councillor Rushworth provided an update which included:-

- Network areas were being redesigned, which would mean Padstow's local network joining with St Tudy and Camelford. This would also see a reduction in the number of Community Link Officers;
- The budget setting process was still progressing through Cabinet then Council with a maximum increase of 2.99% being made without there having to be a referendum;
- Space Port would be having its first launch in June. It was hoped that this would then lead to more investment for the airport, leading to more jobs.
- Outlined that the legal position had been checked concerning second homes receiving the COVID grant. It was legal and there was nothing that could be done. Take up this time had been low.
- He would be meeting locally concerning a new ferry for Padstow.

Police Report: Members noted the police report for the period 25.12.21-23.01.22 having been previously circulated.

2021/133 RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on **Tuesday 30 November 2021** be signed as a true record, subject to including Councillor Mrs Dawe as abstaining in respect of minute number 2021/121.

2021/134 Treceerus Further Development Proposals: Ron Ley (Poltair Homes) and Angela Warwick (Situ8) attended the meeting to provide latest update on the development at Treceerus. An updated plan was tabled at the meeting and their update included:-

- Phase 4 was under construction.
- In response to the public consultation they had outlined better connectivity with Padstow.
- It was acknowledged that they knew Spritty Meadow was leased by Padstow Town Council, this wasn't depicted in the plan. They suggested that the footpath could be improved/upgraded.
- Scheme was landscape led, they had also worked through the Council's draft NDP to address as many areas as possible of importance to the town, also acknowledged the Principle Resident Policy.
- The area was 30 acres (including Spritty Meadow).
- Around 35-40% was a biodiversity net gain – such as hedges, paths, planting, cycle and pedestrian networks.
- Outlined issues with both surface and ground flooding to be addressed/improved through critical drainage which was outside the AONB.
- Would be consulted with a phased approach to the project based upon housing need, was aware housing register currently stood at 145.
- Poltair Homes as a company thought of the social value of their schemes and health and wellbeing.
- Would not be a massive development – not all in one go. Gradual and phased to meet local need.
- Safe connectivity was a key element to support good quality housing.
- Any ponds would be shallow so safe.

Questions were raised as follows:-

- Comment was raised about infrastructure and in particular the school with additional housing for families being built. They advised that development would be incremental in growth but would need to look at school provision as well, possible extension for instance.
- Other infrastructure issues were also raised such as doctors and dentists too.
- In response to question on when play areas would be upgraded Council was advised that there would be a trigger to ensure that this was planned appropriately and would be in their thinking and planning.

- Phase 8 was an additional area which had come under their control. This was acquired to help with their connectivity to the town.

2021/135 Clerk's Report/Work Programme: The report was noted for information. Councillors Mrs Dawe and Walter provided an update on initial thoughts for the Queen's Jubilee. Councillors were asked to provide feedback by Friday to the office on initial draft framework.

2021/136 Committees/Working Group Meetings:

- RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes and approve recommendations (if any) for the meeting of the Highways, Roads and Transport Committee held on 14 December 2021.
- RESOLVED** to receive the minutes of the Planning Committee Meetings held on 14 December 2021 and 11 January 2022.

2021/137 Finance: Monthly Accounts and Payments January 2022

- The monthly finance report was noted.
- RESOLVED** to ratify payments i) November 'b' 2021 of £9925.78, wages of £21,448.15 and direct debits of £2433.34, ii) November 'c' 2021 of £10,428.44 and direct debits of £145.44, iii) December 'a' 2021 of £5325.62 and direct debits of £8279.50 and £3452.08, iv) December 'b' 2021 of £2065.42, wages of £24,641.87 and direct debits of £1233.95, v) January 'a' 2022 of £2672.38 and direct debits of £8279.50 and £5846.87, vi) January 'b' 2022 of £5013.71, transfer of £250,000 between Padstow Town Council bank accounts and direct debits of £2519.63.
- Car park takings were noted.
- The availability of bank reconciliations for inspection was noted.

2021/138 Correspondence:

- Correspondence for information was noted.
- i) **Cornwall Council Consultation on draft Hackney Carriage (Taxi)/ Private Hire Vehicle, Operator and Driver Licensing Policy: RESOLVED** not to comment.

2021/139 Cornwall Council Housing Strategy and Bude-Stratton Town Council Housing Response Update:

The update was noted for information. A Councillor made comment that Councillors should make every effort to respond to emails from the Town Clerk/office, especially in this instance as the Town Clerk had taken the time to draft up a response to the Housing Strategy.

2021/140 Vandalism: Update was noted as per agenda report. The Town Clerk advised that there had been a spate of vandalism and that each issue was reported to the Police. The Police was keen to work with the Town Council and had undertaken patrols speaking with local youths, subsequently there had been no further incidents. A Councillor advised that there had been issues at Soldon Close as well. The Town Clerk would inform the local policing team.

The Town Clerk further advised that a Youth Worker had been in contact looking at ways to help young people on mental health issues, also linked to any anti-social behaviour matters. She would contact her again to outline what had been happening and link up with the local policing team. The Councillors thought this was a positive step. In response to a Councillor, the Town Clerk advised that this was the start of a conversation and that there was no charge for the Youth Worker who had contacted her.

Following a query, the Town Clerk advised that the bus shelter had been tidied up by PTC staff. She had yet to hear further from the company who were looking to replace with a glass shelter, she would chase this up. CCTV was discussed briefly it was acknowledged that that this would be a big piece of work to have the necessary policies etc in place. The Police had outlined that the system by the Padstow Harbour Commissioners was very good and covered the area, it was worth approaching them in future.

2021/141 Planning Applications: RESOLVED to make the following response to Cornwall Council regarding planning application:

- a) **PA21/12561 Bryon Southway Windmill Padstow** – Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and construction of new replacement dwelling and associated works **SUPPORTED**
- b) **PA22/00052 Land North East of Churchey Cottage Padstow Cornwall PL28 8LE** – Non Material Amendment (1) to Application No. PA21/00471 dated 17.06.21 for proposed conversion of stable building into a single dwelling, namely changes to windows and extension. **SUPPORTED**

2021/142 Council Vacancies (1 x Padstow Ward & 1 x Trevone Ward) and Committee and Working Groups Vacancies:

The Town Clerk referred Council to the agenda report and updated that Mr Peter Curgenvan had been elected as the Trevone Ward member, which was uncontested. She had spoken with him, and he would attend the office soon to fill in necessary paperwork to formalise his role.

In respect of Padstow Ward vacancy closing date for applications to co-option was noon on 17 February 2022 with Council considering the same at their meeting on 22 February 2022.

RESOLVED that i) Councillor Mrs J Dawe be elected to take up the vacancies on the following committees/groups: Highways, Roads and Transport Committee, Planning Committee, Finance and General Purposes Committee and Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group; and ii) Appointment to the vacancy on the Staffing Committee be considered at the next meeting.

2021/143 Reports from Members/Outside Organisations: Members noted the update in the agenda papers from the Vice-Chairman.

2021/144 Dates of Council Meetings: Date of next meeting was Tuesday 22 February 2022 and future meetings were noted with the following amendments **RESOLVED** that the Highways, Roads and Transport Committee meet at 6.30 pm on Tuesday 8 February 2022 and the Planning Committee meeting be moved from Tuesday 8 March to Tuesday 15 March 2022.

2021/145 It was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public due to the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

2021/146 RESOLVED that the **confidential minutes** of the full Council meeting held on **Tuesday 30 November 2021** be signed as a true record.

2021/147 Crib Box Request: See confidential minutes.

2021/148 Core Building/Cornwall Council: See confidential minutes.

Councillors Mrs T Walter and C Watson-Smyth left the meeting and did not return. The Vice-Chairman took the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

2021/149 Outstanding Invoices: See confidential minutes.

Meeting closed at 8.40 pm