



MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING

held in the Council Chamber, The Guildhall, East Looe
on Monday 22nd February 2016 at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Chairman – Councillor A Toms

COUNCILLORS

Miss K Bishop
D J Bryan
T Crane
P Crossley
J R B Dingle
M Gregory

Mrs E Hannaford
R Hendy
C Rose
M Soady
T Stacey
D Welch

OFFICERS

Mrs A Frith – Town Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE

Sgt J Williams – Looe Police
Miss T Patterson – Looe Community Academy

There were no Prayers given.

	<u>APOLOGIES</u>	<u>ACTIONS</u>
128.	Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs M Powell and Rev P Sharp. <u>ABSENT</u> Cllr Mrs E Graham-Jones.	
129.	<u>TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC</u> There were no questions asked.	
130.	<u>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF 11TH JANUARY 2016</u> Cllr Gregory proposed that the Minutes of the Meeting of 11 th January 2016 be approved, seconded by Cllr Crane it was: <u>RESOLVED</u> Unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of 11 th January 2016.	
131.	<u>TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> Cllr Hendy declared an interest in any matter raised concerning East Looe Town Trust.	

	<p>Cllr Mrs Hannaford declared an interest in any matter raised concerning Cornwall Council.</p> <p>Cllr Toms declared an interest in any matter raised concerning Looe Harbour Commission, Looe Development Trust and Cornwall Council.</p> <p>Cllr Dingle declared an interest in any matter raised concerning West Looe Town Trust.</p>	
132.	<p><u>MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</u></p> <p>See attached Appendix "A".</p> <p>Cllr Toms also stated that he was very disappointed to see graffiti on the walls of the newly opened seafront toilets over the weekend and he will be writing to the press.</p>	
133.	<p><u>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE POLICE FOR LOOE</u></p> <p>Sgt Williams gave her report of the crime figures since the last meeting (see attached Appendix "B").</p> <p>Sgt Williams also reported that the police have released a document in which it states that the Police cannot attend more than two Council meetings a year, she agreed to send the document to us and asked us to comment on the content.</p> <p>Cllr Hendy stated that face to face communication is important.</p> <p>Cllr Toms thanked Sgt Williams for her report and stated that we will respond to the document, Sgt Williams then left the meeting.</p>	
134.	<p><u>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CORNWALL COUNCILLOR FOR EAST LOOE.</u></p> <p>See attached Appendix "C".</p>	
135.	<p><u>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CORNWALL COUNCILLOR FOR WEST LOOE</u></p> <p>See attached Appendix "D".</p>	
136.	<p><u>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE REPRESENTATIVE OF LOOE COMMUNITY ACADEMY</u></p> <p>See attached Appendix "E".</p> <p>Cllr Hendy asked how the Vivo system worked, Miss Patterson explained that it is essentially an online shop using house points as rewards.</p> <p>Cllr Bryan asked if Miss Patterson could arrange for the pupils to be asked to walk on the pavements and not on the roads.</p> <p>Cllr Toms thanked Miss Patterson for her report and asked her to take back his congratulations to all involved with the production of Annie, it is the first time he has ever seen a standing ovation for a performance and it was a credit to all.</p>	
137.	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS OF 11th JANUARY 2016</u></p> <p>There were no matters raised.</p>	

138.	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> All correspondence had been previously circulated for information. There were no comments made.</p>	
139.	<p><u>MATTERS REFERRED FROM OTHER COMMITTEES</u> .1 <u>Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting of 12th January 2016</u> a) <u>Accommodation Working Group – Ref Min No: 98c</u> Cllr Hendy explained the purpose of setting up this working group and that it was felt that the Cornwall Councillors should not be involved in this group. Cllr Toms pointed out that he and Cllr Mrs Hannaford are already involved with the discussions about the library/oss. Cllr Mrs Hannaford stated that she felt it unfair to be excluded and Cllr Toms as they are both capable of separating one thing from another and she suggested that the original group set up should continue. Cllr Hendy responded that the Finance & General Purpose Committee felt it is not right for Cornwall Councillors to make decisions and this is why the matter has been referred to Full Council for discussion. Cllr Ms Bishop raised concern that the Cornwall Councillors could have a view biased towards Cornwall Council, although acknowledging that Cornwall Councillors can bring valuable information to the discussions, as the library/OSS in particular are high on the Cornwall Council agenda, we need to be acting entirely for the benefit of Looe. Cllr Mrs Hannaford pointed out that whatever decision is made about the future of accommodation for the Council it will be a Full Council decision and she reminded Members that she was elected by the people of Looe to work in the best interests of Looe, which she does. Cllrs Gregory and Bryan both supported the view that the Cornwall Councillors should be involved as they have access to information and the expertise that this Council does not have. Cllr Toms stated that he intends to be part of this working group in order to provide any information and help that he can, Cllr Mrs Hannaford stated that she will be part of the group under the same terms as Cllr Toms. Cllr Toms suggested the Group should be Cllrs Bryan, Dingle, Gregory, Hendy, Mrs Hannaford and himself. There followed much further discussion after which Cllr Dingle proposed that Min. No 98c of the Finance & General purposes Meeting of 12th January be approved, seconded by Cllr Soady it was: <u>RESOLVED</u> With a vote of 8/4 against and one abstention to approve the above proposal. b) <u>Cycle Route Feasibility Study – Min No: 96.1</u> Cllr Hendy explained that funding had been requested to</p>	

help towards the cost of the feasibility study but the Committee had concerns about the power to do this and also the potential waste of money should the study fail. The Clerk had been asked to contact Liskeard Town Council who have donated/pledged the sum of £5000 towards this to ascertain the correct power to fund. Liskeard have used the Local Government (Miscellaneous Act) 1976 s19 for this purpose. Cllr Dingle agreed that this is a lot of money and proposed that no donation be made, seconded by Cllr Bryan.

Cllr Mrs Hannaford informed that funding from the Local Action Group had been applied for and proposed an Amendment that this matter be deferred until the outcome of that application is known, seconded by Cllr Miss Bishop.

Cllr Dingle withdrew his proposal and a vote was taken on the Amendment and it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Amendment.

c) Expenditure for the Allotment Site

Cllr Hendy informed Council that £4000 is needed to finish off the works required to complete the allotment site for use. Cllr Stacey provided a written quote from David Ede as requested by the Finance Committee and explained the works that need to be undertaken. Cllr Stacey proposed that the expenditure of £4000 be approved, seconded by Cllr Hendy it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the expenditure of £4000 to complete the allotment site works.

.2 Tourism & Amenities Committee

a) TRO Update

Cllr Gregory informed that a meeting had been held with Cornwall Council on 26th January and the costings for specific areas had been requested to enable a cost/area public consultation to take place. These costs had now been received and will still be in the region of £70000 for the complete TRO. Cllr Gregory also informed that alternative proposals are being looked at for Bonson Close. He asked the Clerk to distribute the costings to all Councillors.

It was agreed that dates for consultation need to be ascertained and Cllr Toms asked that all Councillors attend the consultation days.

b) Bus Shelter Lease – Marine Drive.

Cllr Gregory informed Councillors that this lease is for the land that is owned by Cornwall Council and on which the new bus shelter stands. The matter has been brought to this meeting as acceptance of the lease needs to be Minuted and he proposed that the Lease be approved, seconded by Cllr Mrs Hannaford it was:

	<p><u>RESOLVED</u> Unanimously to approve the lease. Cllr Dingle raised various other matters relating to the TIC, Music Festival, British Sea Angling Festival, advertising etc which will be discussed at a later date. <u>.3 Planning & Public Consultation Committee</u> a) <u>Pre-Application Consultation Policy</u> Cllr Toms explained that, as requested at the last Full Council meeting, this document has been amended. The Policy had been tabled for Councillors comments, Cllrs Dingle and Crane still had concerns that Councillors do not have the knowledge to give this sort of advise. Cllr Mrs Hannaford proposed that the Policy now be approved, seconded by Cllr Rose it was: <u>RESOLVED</u> With a vote of 7/5 against and one abstention to approve the Pre Planning Consultation Policy as presented. (See attached Appendix "F").</p>	
140.	<p><u>TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES OF SUB-COMMITTEE, WORKING PARTIES AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS</u> .1 <u>Bathing Water Quality</u> Cllr Toms reported that a letter had been sent to the MP for S E Cornwall and it will be presented to the Minister, the letter explains how unfair the current system is. .2 <u>Neighbourhood Plan</u> Cllr Toms expressed his thanks to Cllr Mrs Hannaford and Mr Besford-Foster for their work on this so far and informed that the questionnaires will be available shortly. Cllr Mrs Hannaford gave a report on the progress so far and explained the process that has to be worked through. Cllr Crane queried the payment to Mr Besford-Foster and asked if Cllr Mrs Hannaford is happy with his progress so far, Cllr Mrs Hannaford responded that she is happy and Mr Besford-Foster is working to his project plan, the payment is as agreed at various stages of the project plan. The Clerk was asked to circulate the project plan to all Members. .2 <u>West Looe Downs Development Proposals</u> Cllr Toms informed Council that he was unhappy at the way the consultation arrangements had been dealt with pointing out that the Clerk had found out about the prospective consultation date by ringing the Millpool Centre to see if a booking had been made as she could not get a response from Jillings Heyes, he was also displeased with the way the Clerk had been treated which is totally unacceptable. He stated that he had written to the Chief Executive at Cornwall Council regarding his concerns about any further development until proper surveys of the paths and roads around Looe which are cracking, there is something inherently wrong. A joint</p>	<p>Clerk to circulate the NP Project Plan</p>

	<p>letter from Cllr Mrs Hannaford and himself had been sent to Phil Mason, Head of Planning at Cornwall Council. Some of the Councillors had attended the Consultation on 19th February and reported that it had been well attended with most having objections to the proposals. Cllr Mrs Hannaford reminded Councillors that the Cornwall Local Plan runs from 2010 to 2030 and some houses have already been built, planning applications are determined on multiple criteria and not the number of objectors, the land availability has to be assessed.</p>	
141.	<p><u>TO APPROVE THE DRAFT COUNCIL CALENDAR FOR 2016/17</u> This document had been previously circulated for review. Cllr Toms proposed that the draft calendar be approved, seconded by Cllr Gregory it was: <u>RESOLVED</u> Unanimously to approve the Council calendar for 2016/17.</p>	
142.	<p><u>MATTER FOR FURTHER OR URGENT DISCUSSION AS DETERMINED BY THE CHAIRMAN</u> <u>.1 Cornwall Local Plan/Truro City Council Letter.</u> Cllr Toms asked that both these documents be circulated for Councillors to respond individually.</p>	Clerk to circulate documents
143.	<p><u>TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR JANUARY 2016</u> Cllr Miss Bishop proposed that the Accounts for payment as listed for January 2016 be approved, seconded by Cllr Rose it was: <u>RESOLVED</u> Unanimously to approve the Accounts for payment as listed for January 2016.</p>	
144.	<p><u>TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF INVOICES</u> <u>.1 Nick Clowes Builder</u> Cllr Toms informed Council that the cost of the refurbishment of the seafront toilets had come in under budget and the invoice amounted to £25,816.26. Cllr Gregory proposed that the invoice for £25,816.26 including VAT be approved for payment, seconded by Cllr Bryan it was: <u>RESOLVED</u> Unanimously to approve payment of the invoice as above. <u>.2 Nick Clowes Builder</u> An request had been received for an interim payment of £7000 plus VAT towards the cost of refurbishment of the toilets at Hannaford. Cllr Ms Bishop proposed that the interim payment be approved, seconded by Cllr Soady it was: <u>RESOLVED</u> Unanimously to approve payment of the invoice as above.</p>	

The Meeting closed at 9.05pm.