

AGENDA ITEM No 8

LOOE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the Looe Town Council
held in the Council Chamber, The Guildhall, East Looe
on Monday 14th April 2008 at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Chairman – Mayor- Cllr. R. J. Overd

COUNCILLORS

Mrs. E. Arkell	C. Rose
D. Bryan	J. Rothwell
M. Gregory	W. Scarah
M. Joy	K. Smith
Mrs. B. King	

OFFICERS

The Clerk – Mrs A Frith

IN ATTENDANCE

Rev. B. McQuillen – Mayor's Chaplain
Travis Brooks – Looe Community School

217. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J.R.B. Dingle, A. Toms and Mrs N. Tagholm, District Councillor E. B. Galipeau and Devon & Cornwall Constabulary.

218. PRAYERS

Prayers were given by the Mayor's Chaplain, Rev B. McQuillen.

219. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor Rose proposed that the minutes of the meeting of the 3rd March 2008 be accepted, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the meeting of the 3rd March 2008.

220. TO RECEIVE DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

.1 Prejudicial Interests

There were none declared.

.2 Personal Interests

Councillors Bryan, Rose and Scarah declared an interest in any matters raised relating to East Looe Town Trust.

Councillor Mrs. Arkell declared a personal interest in matters concerning Dehwelans.

221. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE LOCAL CONSTABULARY

The Mayor read a report provided by P.C. Libby to Council (see attached Appendix "A")

222. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR FOR LOOE

There was no report given.

223. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR LOOE

There was no report given:

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The Mayor took this opportunity to thank all Councillors for their support and tolerance during his recent troubles. He also asked for assistance for stewarding the Gorsedh proclamation on the 26th April 2008.

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224. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM A REPRESENTATIVE OF LOOE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Travis Brooks gave his report to Council and apologised for missing the last meeting due to exams.

He informed Council that, in 2009, the school will be able to offer a new Media Diploma linked with all five schools in the Caradon area.

The organisation for the Festival by the Sea is going well and the school are pleased with their progress. He also reported that, so far this year, £6,200 has been raised by the school for Ellie's Haven.

The Mayor thanked Travis for his report and offered Council's congratulations on their achievement for Ellie's Haven.

225. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

There were no matters raised.

CORRESPONDENCE

226. LOOE VALLEY STEERING GROUP

The Mayor explained that due to his illness he had resigned as the Council representative on the Steering Group and asked any volunteers to take his place to contact the Clerk.

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The Mayor explained that, again, due to his illness he has resigned from this Committee and asked for volunteers to replace him. Councillor Mrs. Arkell stated that, as she is already on this Committee for Caradon, she would be willing to act as Council representative also.

228. SIGNPOST NEWSLETTER

This will be kept in the office.

229. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

The Chairman gave his report of the meeting of the 7th April 2008 and proposed that the minutes of the meeting be accepted, seconded by Councillor Joy it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the minutes of the meeting of the 7th April 2008.

The Chairman also thanked all those Councillors who had taken part in the Litter Hitter Campaign on the 5th April 2008.

230. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE FINANCE & WORKS COMMITTEE

There had been no meeting held.

231. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Vice-Chairman gave his reports of the meetings of the 3rd March and 31st March and proposed that the minutes be accepted, seconded by Councillor Rose it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the meetings of 3rd March and the 31st March 2008.

The Vice-Chairman also expressed his concern that, at the meeting of the 3rd March, members of the public had outnumbered the Committee due to various members of the Committee not being present.

232. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

The Vice Chairman gave his reports of the meetings of the 1st April 2008 and the Special Meeting of the 7th April 2008 and proposed that the Minutes be accepted, seconded by Councillor Joy it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the meetings of the 1st April and 7th April 2008.

233. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TOWN TOURISM PANEL

The Chairman explained that there had been no meeting since the last Council Meeting but the Minutes of the meeting of 29th January 2008 could not be approved at the last Council Meeting as there had been no-one present to second a proposal. The Chairman proposed that the Minutes of the meeting of the 29th January be accepted, seconded by Councillor Joy it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of the 29th January 2008.

234. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE SUB-COMMITTEES, WORKING PARTIES AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS.

.1 MCTI Steering Group

Councillor Rose gave a report of the MCTI Steering Group Meeting held on the 25th March 2008. SWERDA had given a brief of appraisal and the MCTI had met all the criteria.

The Steering Group had also discussed how the remaining budget of £19,691.00 should be spent, £5,000.00 will be spent on a consultation and "Quick Wins" have been asked for.

Councillor Mrs Arkell explained the procedure for employing a Consultation Company and asked for Council's opinion on the tenders submitted. The Clerk explained that, although copies had been received via two Councillors, there had been no indication that Council preference was requested. It was agreed that the Mayor and available Councillors would discuss the tenders and inform the Steering Group of their preference the following day.

Councillor Mrs. Arkell stated that there had been three submissions for quick wins received, two from East Looe Town Trust will be considered and an updated information leaflet for the Tourist Information Centre will be done.

.2 Dehwelans

Councillor Mrs. Arkell informed Council that the latest Newsletter has been circulated and the full programme is on the Dehwelan's website. She has applied for a road closure for the Sunday and there will be bands, songs in Cornish (with English translation) and various other events, assistance with stewarding etc was also requested.

With the Mayor's permission a full report will be given at the Full Council Meeting in July.

.3 Litter Hitter Campaign

Councillor Scarah thanked the Councillors who had taken part in clearing the zig-zag area of rubbish. He informed Council that East Looe Town Trust are arranging for the area to be cleared of brambles, weeds etc but the Council's suggestion that the area be turned into a garden with seating could cause problems as the Gig Club will be directly below the area and there are concerns that bottles, cans etc may be thrown onto the roof of this building.

235. TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS FOR MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Councillor Joy proposed that Councillor Overd, the current Mayor, be re-elected for the coming year, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously that Councillor Overd be re-elected to serve as Mayor for the coming year.

236. TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS FOR DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Councillor Bryan proposed that Councillor Dingle serve as Deputy Mayor for the coming year, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously that Councillor Dingle be elected as Deputy Mayor for the coming year.

237. TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS FOR ASSISTANT DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Councillor Smith proposed that Councillor Bryan be elected as Assistant Deputy Mayor for the coming year, seconded by Councillor Rothwell it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously that Councillor Bryan be elected as Assistant Deputy Mayor for the coming year.

238. TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEES AS PER THE CIRCULATED LIST

Councillor Overd proposed that the nominations for Committees, as per the circulated list (see attached Appendix "B"), be accepted, seconded by Councillor Scarah it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Nominations for Committees, as per the circulated list.

239. TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS FOR REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES AS PER THE CIRCULATED LIST

This list of representatives was discussed and various amendments made. Councillor Overd proposed that the list, subject to the amendments, be accepted, seconded by Councillor Scarah it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the circulated list subject to the required amendments.

240. MATTERS FOR URGENT OR FURTHER DISCUSSION

.1 Cornwall Electoral Boundary Review

The Mayor read out suggested responses to this Consultation received from District Council Galipeau and Councillor Joy.

He explained to Council that there would be 3,200 electorate for each Unitary Councillor and there would be two for Looe, one for East Looe and one for West Looe. The proposal is that East Looe would be included with St. Martin-by- Looe and West Looe would be included with Lansallos.

.2 Councillor Resignations

The Chairman informed Council that Mrs. Sandra Lambert and Mr. John Charnock have both resigned.

241. TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To accept for payment the bills as listed and amounting to £4,614.63 and for the transfer of £11,000.00 to the Wages Account for March 2008.

Proposed by Councillor Joy that the accounts as listed be accepted, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOVLED

Unanimously agreed to accept the accounts for payment as listed.

The Meeting closed at 7.50 pm.