

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 9th November 2009 at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Chairman – The Mayor – Cllr M Joy

COUNCILLORS

D J Bryan	J Hoskin
J R B Dingle	W Scarah
M Gregory	K Smith
E B Galipeau	A Toms
Mrs E Hannaford	

OFFICERS

The Clerk – Mrs A Frith

IN ATTENDANCE

The Mayor's Chaplain – Reverend Brian McQuillen
Devon and Cornwall Constabulary – Sergeant Russ Hall
Cornish Times Reporter – Carrie Garrard
Cornish Guardian Reporter – Emma Haines
Member of Public – Mr Roger Tatt

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As Mr Tatt was present and wished to make a statement the Mayor allowed him the statutory three minutes in accordance with Council Standing Orders and as advertised on the Full Council Agenda, which had been explained to him by the Mayor and the Clerk prior to the meeting. Mr Tatt made his statement as per attached appendix 'A' and, after Mr Tatt finally sat down following repeated requests from the Mayor, the Clerk read out a copy of the letter that had been sent to Mr Tatt and he then left the meeting. This matter is now considered closed.

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The Mayor thanked all who attended the Remembrance Sunday Service (see attached Appendix 'B').

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81. PRAYERS

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

82. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs B King, C Lambert, C Rose and D Welch.

83. ABSENT

Councillor J Rothwell

84. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS

.1 The Meeting of 28th September 2009

Councillor Toms proposed that the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 28th September 2009 be accepted, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of 28th September 2009.

.2 The Meeting of 26th October 2009

Councillor Toms proposed that the Minutes of the Special Full Council Meeting of 26th October 2009 be accepted, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of 26th October 2009

85. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

.1 Personal Interests

Councillors Joy, Bryan, Scarah, Galipeau, Toms, Dingle, Smith and Gregory all declared a personal interest in Agenda item No 16a – Planning Application No: 09/01539/FUL.

.2 Prejudicial Interest

Councillors Mrs Hannaford and Toms declared an interest in any matter raised concerning Cornwall Council.

Cllr Dingle declared an interest in any matter raised concerning East Looe Town Trust and West Looe Town Trust.

Councillors Bryan and Scarah declared an interest in any matter raised concerning East Looe Town Trust.

86. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM DEVON & CORNWALL CONSTABULARY

Sergeant Hall gave his report of the crime figures since the last Full Council Meeting (see attached Appendix 'C').

Sergeant Hall also reported that the son of the previous Sergeant at Looe Police Station, Sergeant Bassett, had been killed in action in Afghanistan on Remembrance Sunday. The Mayor asked Sergeant Hall to pass the Council's condolences to Sergeant Bassett.

87. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CORNWALL COUNCILLOR FOR EAST LOOE AND ST MARTIN'S

Councillor Toms gave his report as follows:

.1 Traffic Consultation

The collation of questionnaires received so far has commenced. The closing date is 15th November 2009.

.2 Community Network Areas

It is looking likely that Town and Parish Councils will be allowed to build on their own experiences.

.3 Barrett Homes/Millendreath

See attached Appendix 'D'. This explains current proposals for development. There is to be a Special Full Council Meeting held on 24th November to discuss the proposed development with Barrett Homes.

.4 Disabled parking spaces

There is a great need for provision of parking spaces for disabled person's vehicles, this is being investigated.

.5 Lance Corporal Paul Upton

Councillor Toms would like Paul's service to the community marked with a stone or plaque at the War Memorial. The Mayor supported Councillor Toms,

investigations have already been made, it will take time as all War Memorial's in the Country need updating.

88. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CORNWALL COUNCILLOR FOR WEST LOOE AND LANSALLOS

Councillor Mrs Hannaford gave her report as follows:

.1 Polean

Councillor Rule is keen to progress the proposals for this area and a wider working group is to be set up to work with Cornwall Council.

.2 Bass Hill

The foundations have been put in and remedial work should be complete within weeks.

.3 West Looe Hill

The lower part of West Looe Hill will be closed for about 5 weeks for urgent gas main repairs.

.4 South West Water

The work to move the holding tank from the quay to the front of the fire station will start after Christmas. An information day for the residents/businesses has been held.

The Mayor asked if clear signage could be put up to show that all the businesses are still open for trading both during the works and onwards

.5 Chamber of Trade

Councillor Mrs Hannaford is working on an initiative with the Chamber of Trade to re-invigorate business in West Looe.

.6 Cabinet Agenda

The Cornwall Language and Cultural Development are proposing dual language signage and a consultation document will be available in due course.

89. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE LOOE COMMUNITY SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE

There was no report given.

90. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST FULL COUNCIL MEETING

.1 Ref Minute No: 78.3

Councillor Galipeau requested that the wording of line 4 be amended from: "An agreement has been reached" to read "a proposal has been made". The Mayor informed him that the amendment had been made today.

There were no other matters raised.

91. CORRESPONDENCE

.1 Looe Enterprise Centre

The Mayor read a letter received which informed of the cessation of training facilities at the Enterprise Centre. The Mayor hopes that Looe Town Council will be able to help re-establish this.

.2 South West RDA

An Economic Profile document will be held in the Office.

92. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

The Chairman gave his report of the Meeting of 19th October 2009.

Councillor Mrs Hannaford asked for clarification of Minute No: 19.4 – Review of Designated Public Places Order – which was given.

The Chairman also reported that the Lantern Workshop held on 31st October had been well attended and very successful.

Councillor Dingle requested an update regarding Minute No: 19.1 – Harbour Commission litter bins (Councillor Toms declared a personal interest).

The Clerk informed that the Harbour Commission will be reviewing the issue at the end of March.

Councillor Mrs Hannaford reported that a leaflet campaign targeting accommodation providers and reminding them of their responsibilities will take place early next year.

The Chairmain proposed that the Minutes of the Meeting of 19th October be accepted, seconded by Councillor Bryan it was

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of 19th October 2009.

93. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CCTV SUB-COMMITTEE

The Chairman reported that the system is not working as it should and Perspective CCTV have gone into administration. Tenders are now being sought for upgrade and maintenance of the current system.

The Chairman proposed that the Minutes of the Meeting of 4th November 2009 be accepted, seconded by Councillor Bryan it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of 4th November 2009.

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

The Vice Chairman gave a report of the Meeting of 5th October 2009 and 12th October 2009 and proposed that the Minutes of both Meetings be accepted, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the Meetings of 5th October 2009 and 12th October 2009.

95. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Chairman gave his reports of the Meetings of 29th September 2009 and 2nd November 2009 and proposed that the Minutes of both Meetings be accepted, seconded by Councillor Hoskin it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the Meetings of 29th September 2009 and 2nd November 2009.

96. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE STANDARDS & PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

No meeting had been held.

97. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TOWN TOURISM SUB-COMMITTEE

No meeting had been held.

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

.1 Community Action through Sports

Councillor Gregory reported that the first Presentation evening had been held which the Deputy Mayor had attended, there were 40/50 youths presented with awards. Councillor Scarah stated that there were 61 children receiving awards and it had been a very good evening.

.2 Water Quality Meeting

Councillor Scarah reported that he and the Harbour Master will be attending this meeting in Truro on 10th November.

.3 East Cornwall Local Action Group (ECLAG)

Councillor Mrs Hannaford reported that she will be attending a funding launch to be held on 24th November. She has requested a visit to Looe with some of the partners.

Councillor Mrs Hannaford requested the Council's views on whether the "cluster" or just Looe should be involved. It was suggested that this be discussed at the next Looe Area Partnership meeting and reviewed at the next Council Meeting.

99. TO NOMINATE A REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE AS AN EAST LOOE TOWN TRUST TRUSTEE

The Mayor informed Council that Councillor Smith has stood down due to other commitments and asked for nominations to replace Councillor Smith as a Trustee.

As there were no nominations the Mayor proposed that Councillor Galipeau be nominated to serve as an East Looe Town Trustee, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

With a vote of 7/3 abstentions to elect Councillor Galipeau to serve as an East Looe Town Trust Trustee.

100. TO APPROVE THE ELECTION INVOICE FOR PAYMENT

An invoice for £5130.40 for the recent Town Council elections has been received from Cornwall Council.

Councillor Toms proposed that the invoice be paid, seconded by Councillor Bryan it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to pay the invoice for £5,130.40.

101. TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON PLANNING APPLN NO: 09/01539/FUL- MR & MRS RING

At this point Councillors Bryan, Dingle, Joy, Galipeau, Gregory, Toms and Scarah declared a prejudicial interest and left the room.

As the Council Meeting was inquorate this matter could not be discussed.

The application will be returned to Cornwall Council for their decision.

102. TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To accept for payment the bills as listed and amounting to £6,211.76 and for the transfer of £8,000.00 to the Wages Account for October 2009.

Councillor Dingle proposed that the accounts as listed be approved, seconded by Councillor Toms it was:

RESOLVED

With a vote of 9/1 abstention to approve the accounts as listed for payment.

The Meeting Closed at 8.20 pm.