

**LOOE TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

held in The Tourist Information Centre, The Guildhall,  
Fore Street, East Looe  
on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at 7.00pm

**REPORT TO COUNCIL**

**PRESENT**

Chairman – Cllr K Smith  
Cllrs D J Bryan, P Crossley, M Gregory,  
J Hoskin and D Welch

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Town Clerk – Mrs A Frith  
Mr G Heeley

**85. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E B Galipeau, W Martin and A Toms.

**86. TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions asked.

**87. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor D J Bryan declared an interest in any matter raised concerning East Looe Town Trust.

**88. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 30<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2012**

.1 Reference Minute No: 80.1 – Archiving

Councillor Bryan stated that a date must be set for clearing the attic and archiving records, it was agreed that we try to do this between Easter and the May Day Bank Holiday.

**89. TO DISCUSS THE PROGRESS OF THE BOWLING CLUB/PUTTING GREEN LEASE**

The Chairman asked the Clerk to bring the Committee up to date as follows:

.1 Option 1

To continue with the 30 year lease with Cornwall Council, with an option to withdraw at any time to enable purchase of the land (Bowling Club) but continue with the Putting Green lease.

.2 Option 2

To purchase (subject to financial agreement) the land (Bowling Club) now and take a lease on the Putting Green. Councillor Bryan stated that a valuation of the land (Bowling Club) should be undertaken and a structural survey of the wall surrounding the whole area be done.

The Clerk informed the Committee that the Community Area Network Manager has pledged £500 (in writing) towards the cost of the structural survey.

Councillor Gregory proposed that the valuation and structural survey be authorised, seconded by Councillor Bryan it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the above proposal.

**90. TO DISCUSS THE PROVISION OF NEW “WELCOME TO LOOE” SIGNAGE**

The Clerk explained that Councillor Mrs Hannaford had requested the replacement of the “Welcome to Looe” sign at the West Wayland which is in a state of disrepair.

The Committee agreed that all three signs need replacing and Councillor Smith proposed that photo’s of the existing signs be taken and submitted to Cornwall Council Highways for a quotation for new “like for like” signs, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept this proposal.

**91. TO DISCUSS THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCES**

Councillor Bryan explained that a meeting had been held with Cornwall Council on 21<sup>st</sup> March which included a member of Lansallos Parish Council.

He reported that little progress has been made and there are still a number of outstanding questions to be answered by Cornwall Council.

**92. TO APPROVE THE QUOTATION FOR THE SEAGULL EGG CULL 2012**

The Chairman reported that Kernow Aerials had submitted a quote of £40 per hour, a rise of £2 per hour on 2010 and 2011.

The Clerk reported that the total cost for last year was in the region of £1,900.

Councillor Gregory proposed that the quotation be accepted, seconded by Councillor Smith it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the quotation as submitted.

**93. TO UPDATE ON RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH EAST LOOE TOWN TRUST**

Councillor Bryan declared an interest but remained in the meeting.

Councillor Gregory informed the Committee that discussions had taken place with some East Looe Town Trust Trustees regarding our potential purchase of the Wishing Well Garden area and public convenience buildings.

He explained that criteria had been set and agreed for valuations to be obtained. Both East Looe Town Trust and Looe Town Council have obtained quotes but East Looe Town Trust have had a valuation done using completely different criteria without doing Looe Town Council the courtesy of informing us. It is understood that East Looe Town Trust have to look at “best value” for the Charity but it is felt that Looe Town Council should have been informed of this as the valuations are vastly different.

The situation is now that East Looe Town Trust need a formal resolution from this Council to enable them to discuss this in more detail.

It was suggested that the resolution from this Council be as attached and the recommendation from this Committee for approval be put to Full Council at the earliest opportunity.

Councillor Smith proposed that the resolution from Looe Town Council be as per the attached letter, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

With a vote of 6/1 abstention to recommend approval to Full Council.

**94. CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no items for discussion.

**95. MATTERS FOR FURTHER OR URGENT DISCUSSION**

There were no matters raised.

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Councillor Smith proposed that the meeting now move to Part Two, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

With a vote of 6/1 abstention that the meeting now move to Part Two.

At this point Mr Heeley left the meeting.