

LOOE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting
held in the Council Chamber, The Guildhall, Fore Street, East Looe
on Monday 28th May 2012 at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Chairman – Mayor – Cllr D J Bryan

COUNCILLORS

T Crane	W Martin
P Crossley	Mrs M Powell
J R B Dingle	T Stacey
E B Galipeau	A Toms
M Gregory	D Welch
Mrs E Hannaford	
J Hoskin	

OFFICERS

Town Clerk – Mrs A Frith

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor's Chaplain – Rev P Sharp
Sgt R Hall – Devon & Cornwall Constabulary

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Prayers were given by Reverend Sharp.

The Mayor asked all Councillors to help out at some stage during the forthcoming Diamond Jubilee celebrations especially traffic management marshalls for the procession and all, if possible, to attend the Lighting of the Beacon event.

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12. APOLOGIES

There were apologies received from Councillors C Rose, K Smith and Looe Academy Representatives.

13. TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the public present.

14. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING FULL COUNCIL

MEETINGS:

.1 Meeting of 16th April 2012

Councillor Dingle proposed that the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 16th April be approved, seconded by Councillor Galipeau it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 16th April 2012.

.2 Meeting of 2nd May 2012

Councillor Mrs Powell proposed that the Minutes of the Special Full Council Meeting of 2nd May 2012 be approved, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Special Full Council Meeting of 2nd May 2012.

.3 Annual Meeting 21st May 2012

Councillor Gregory proposed that the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of 21st May 2012 be approved, seconded by Councillor Toms it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of 21st May 2012.

.4 Town Meeting of 21st May 2012

Councillor Gregory proposed that the Minutes of the Town Meeting of 21st May 2012 be approved, seconded by Councillor Crane it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Town Meeting of 21st May 2012.

15. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

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

Councillor Dingle declared an interest in any matter raised concerning West Looe Town Trust and Polperro Road Works.

Councillor Mrs Hannaford declared an interest in any matter raised concerning Cornwall Council and SECTA.

Councillor Toms declared an interest in any matter raised concerning Cornwall Council, Looe Harbour Commission and Looe Development Trust.

16. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM DEVON & CORNWALL CONSTABULARY

Sergeant Hall gave his report as attached Appendix 'A'.

Councillor Gregory asked if there had been any particular crimes to which Sergeant Hall responded that the crimes committed were general routine crimes.

In response to Councillor Mrs Hannaford Sergeant Hall stated that his shifts had changed and he now works Monday – Thursday day shifts and Friday and Saturday nights.

In response to Councillor Galipeau Sergeant Hall informed that the response teams had been withdrawn from Looe on 20th May 2011.

The Mayor thanked Sergeant Hall for his report, Sergeant Hall then left the meeting.

17. **TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CORNWALL COUNCILLOR FOR EAST LOOE AND ST MARTIN'S**
Councillor Toms gave his report as follows;
.1 Dove Rock
There is still some consultation to be done but it is nearing resolution.
.2 Barrett Homes
A new planning application is in due to changes in levels, the number of houses being built in stage 1 will now be 99 instead of 100.
.3 Callington Mayor-making
Councillor Toms had attended the Mayor-making and noted that, as well as a Citizen of the Year, Callington make an award to a Young Citizen of the Year.
.4 Cory Waste Collections
These are becoming more organised but there is still a lot of work to do.
.5 Looe Community Officer
Simon Townly has been well received by the Community.
.6 St Martin's Road
The potholes have now been filled in and the road will be re-surfaced in the New Year.
18. **TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CORNWALL COUNCILLOR FOR WEST LOOE AND LANSALLOS**
Councillor Mrs Hannaford gave her report as per attached Appendix 'B'.
19. **TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM LOOE COMMUNITY ACADEMY REPRESENTATIVE**
There was no report given.
20. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS**
There were no matters raised.
21. **CORRESPONDENCE**
None had been received.
22. **TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE**
No formal meeting had been held.
.1 Informal Meeting of 18th May 2012
Councillor Gregory reported on the meeting held on 18th May 2012 and proposed that the Draft Service Level Agreement (as attached Appendix 'C') be accepted, seconded by Councillor Dingle.
Councillor Galipeau stated that there is still work to be done and proposed this matter be referred back to the Environment and Public Protection Committee for further discussion. There was no seconder for this proposal and it was therefore **RESOLVED**
With a vote of 12/1 against to accept Councillor Gregory's proposal to approve the Draft Service Level Agreement.

23. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE FINANCE AND WORKS COMMITTEE

.1 Meeting of 1st May 2012

Councillor Crossley proposed that the Minutes of the Meeting of 1st May 2012 be approved, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of 1st May 2012.

.2 (a) Meeting of 22nd May 2012

Councillor Crossley proposed that the Minutes of the Meeting of 22nd May 2012 be approved, seconded by Councillor Galipeau it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of 22nd May 2012.

Councillor Dingle suggested writing to Looe In Bloom to remind them that we will need an invoice for the provision of flowers. Councillor Gregory stated that Looe In Bloom do not get invoiced for the flowers until September.

.2 (b) Seasonal Evening Bus

Councillor Crossley explained that Looe Town Council's contribution for 2012 will be £1,600 this being £900 less than 2011.

In response to Councillor Dingle's question Councillor Mrs Hannaford informed that Cornwall Council's contribution is £2,600 and Polperro Community Council's is £1,000.

There followed discussion about value for money and it was agreed that the service is a positive way of extending the season. Councillor Gregory stated that he would like a review of the service at the end of the season especially in relation to the value for money aspect of the service in October.

Councillor Dingle proposed that our contribution of £1,600 is approved, seconded by Councillor Galipeau it was:

RESOLVED

With a vote of 12/1 abstention to approve the contribution of £1,600.

.2 (c) Cheque Signatories

The Clerk asked permission for Councillor Crossley, as Chairman of the Finance and Works Committee, to be added as a cheque signatory to replace Councillor Smith.

Councillor Crossley proposed that he be added as a cheque signatory and to remove Councillor Smith as a signatory, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to add Councillor Crossley as a cheque signatory and remove Councillor Smith.

Councillor Dingle congratulated Councillor Crossley on becoming Chairman of the Finance and Works Committee and offered his full support.

.2 (d) Bowling Club/Putting Green

With reference to the Bowling Club and Putting Green Councillor Dingle stated that it is now getting to the stage where a Special Full Council Meeting be held to go through all the available information and he proposed that, on receipt of all information from Cornwall Council, a special Full Council Meeting be held, seconded by Councillor Bryan it was unanimously agreed.

24. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Councillor Bryan gave his report of the meeting of 30th April 2012 and proposed that the Minutes be accepted, seconded by Councillor Toms it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of 30th April 2012.

25. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

There had been no meeting held.

26. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TOWN TOURISM COMMITTEE

Councillor Mrs Hannaford gave her report of the Meeting of 14th May 2012 and proposed that the Minutes be approved, seconded by Councillor Galipeau. Councillor Dingle requested that the wording of Minute No: 85 be amended from "sent to all attractions" to "sent to some of the attractions" (paragraph 1, 5th sentence).

It was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously that the Minutes of the Meeting of 14th May 2012 be approved subject to the amendment requested by Councillor Dingle.

27. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM WORKING PARTIES, SUB COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

.1 Events and Festivals Sub-Committee

Councillor Mrs Hannaford gave her report of the Meeting of 1st May 2012 and proposed that the Minutes be approved, seconded by Councillor Bryan it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of 1st May 2012.

28. TO APPROVE THE INTERNALLY AUDITED ACCOUNTS 2011/12

Councillor Mrs Powell proposed that the Internally Audited Accounts for 2011/12 be approved, seconded by Councillor Gregory it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Internally Audited Accounts for 2011/12.

Councillor Galipeau raised concerns about parts of the Auditor's report and proposed that Council set up a Committee to look at these issues, Councillor Toms seconded the proposal.

The Clerk explained some of the issues raised and Councillor Dingle suggested that a letter be sent to the Auditor to clarify that the monies amounting to £1,477 should have been included in the 2010/11 accounts and that this error was his, he also suggested sending a covering letter to the Audit Commission confirming that steps have already been taken to address other issues raised. This was unanimously agreed.

No vote was taken on Councillor Galipeau's proposal.

29. MATTERS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

There were no matters raised.

30. TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To accept for payment the bills as listed and amounting to £10,201.13 for April 2012 and for the transfer of £9,600 to the Wages account for April 2012.

To accept for payment the bills as listed and amounting to £9,605.72 for May 2012 and for the transfer of £10,000 to the Wages account for May 2012.

Councillor Toms proposed that the Accounts for payment as listed for April 2012 and May 2012 be approved, seconded by Councillor Mrs Hannaford it was:

RESOLVED

Unanimously to approve the Accounts as listed for payment for April and May 2012.

The Meeting closed at 8.15pm



LOOE NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

Sergeant 3561 Russ HALL
Constable 3442 Helen LIBBY

PCSO 30281 BILLING PCSO 30211 COCKS PCSO 30170 Tom BARNES
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POLICE REPORT TO LOOE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 280512 FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2012

52 CRIMES REPORTED TO POLICE OF WHICH 30 HAVE BEEN DETECTED OR THERE ARE SUSPECTS/PERSONS ARRESTED GIVING A POTENTIAL DETECTION/ARREST RATE OF 58 %.

9 OF THESE OFFENCES WERE FOUND BY POLICE. (E.G. POSSESSION OF DRUGS/DRUNK & DISORDERLY/CRIMES IN PROGRESS FOUND BY PATROLS)

175 INCIDENT LOGS WERE RAISED DURING THIS PERIOD. (THIS INCLUDES ALL INCIDENTS E.G. LOST PROPERTY/STRAY ANIMALS/GENERAL CONCERNS ETC.)

A TOTAL OF 69 CRIMES THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE LOOE SECTOR WERE REPORTED

APRIL 2011 FIGURES

25 CRIMES REPORTED TO POLICE OF WHICH 12 WERE DETECTED OR PERSONS ARRESTED GIVING AN ACTUAL DETECTION RATE OF 48%.

5 OF THESE OFFENCES WERE FOUND BY POLICE.

189 INCIDENT LOGS WERE RAISED DURING THIS PERIOD.

A TOTAL OF 36 CRIMES THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE LOOE SECTOR WERE REPORTED.

SUMMARY

52% INCREASE IN CRIME IN LOOE TOWN OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR
7% DROP IN INCIDENT LOGS OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR
48% INCREASE IN CRIME IN THE WHOLE OF THE LOOE SECTOR OVER THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR

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STADIUM FOR CORNWALL

You may have heard in the news today that the Leader took the decision not to give £10m of public funding to support the capital build of the stadium.

Although I support the ideas of a stadium for sporting excellence in Cornwall, I don't believe that now is the right time to give tax payers money to such a project. As a member of the economy scrutiny panel I had sight of the business plan and costing and although this was on pink paper and I cannot divulge what was in the report. There was nothing in it that convinced me that the project was viable from a capital and revenue perspective.

I believe that the priority at present, if there is a spare £10m available that this should be used to refurbish toilets which parishes are being asked to take over. I would prefer £10m to be used to support grass roots, community sports like Looe football club so all across Cornwall can be involved.

POST 2013 EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL FUNDING

The theme of my report last week was around economic development and today I have been chairing a single issue panel that is looking at how we can best deliver the next tranche of European funds. We met in Tremough Innovation Centre, Falmouth which is a fantastic facility. You will recall Cornwall has slipped below 75% of National GDP and are now classed as a less developed region. We interviewed various witnesses from business and the Chief Executive of Cornwall College to help us with our scrutiny. Some common themes have emerged.

Low productivity, low aspiration, bureaucratic and confusing paperwork, just too many hoops and hurdles to navigate and lack of information about where and how to access funding.

The below average qualifications of young people in East Cornwall in particular was highlighted and the lowest in work earning of the whole of Cornwall is unacceptable. Our representations have borne fruit and the Chief Executive of Cornwall College confirmed that Misheard would be a focus for investment in skills and education.

The other good news is the Local Enterprise Partnership strategy which we also scrutinised, acknowledges that they need to develop the traditional areas of farming, fishing, food production and eco tourism in particular.

As the work develops over the next few months we will be making recommendations about improving delivery and the sort of project we should be supporting.

REFUSE

The service has improved, but there are still hot spots where service is sporadic. I am pleased that Simon the Community Officer has been able to support my calls for action by collecting evidence. The areas in West Looe are Hannaford Lane, Dawes Lane, Downs Road, Princes Street and West Looe Hill. Although the street cleaning in the town centre seems to be improved, Barbican Hill has not been swept since March and the drains and gullies are choked with debris. If they are not cleared soon, there will be flooding issues. Princes Street has also not been cleaned for over 2 months. I am working hard with Simon and Cornwall Council to address these problems.

BRISTOL AND PLYMOUTH PROMOTIONS

I would like to thank all who helped make them happen. I hope we can write to all partners including D&C Rail Partnership thanking them for their continued support. We had a great reception and collected a few 100 entries. It is clear there is a strong brand recognition of Looe and Polperro we must capitalise on. There will be a full wash up at the next tourism panel meeting where we can evaluate the worth of the promotions.