

SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of The Civic Amenities Committee held at the Guildhall on Wednesday 1st October 2008 at 7:00pm

PRESENT:- Councillors G Ellison (Chairman), R Bickford, P Clements, D Holley.
C Oakes,

ALSO PRESENT:- Councillor D Yates
Mr M Down (Minute No. 112/08/09)
Mrs M Small (Town Clerk)

APOLOGIES:- Councillor R Austin (holiday), N Challen, Mrs S Hooper MBE,
Mrs F Knight, P Stephens (holiday), C Riches, Mrs T Fulcher (Town
Band)

111/08/09 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Ellison declared a prejudicial interest in Minute No. 130/08/09 regarding shelter at North Road and will leave the meeting, as a quotation has been provided by Mr P Stribling who is a personal friend.

112/08/09 **CHRISTMAS SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Clerk reported that the District Council had refused the application for street collection, as it had been booked by the Rotary Club sometime ago.

Councillor Holley reported that Reverend Jeff Howden will compere the carol singing. The Clerk reported that Flava had now confirmed that they will be present but at an extra cost of £150. However, the number of people able to participate in the workshop has also increased to 70 depending on how many the Guildhall can take.

It was **AGREED** that:

- (a) in view of the low amount usually collected, the Rotary Club is asked if they would consider making a donation to the Christmas lights if there was no other collection in the street.
- (b) CATS is asked to give a dance performance
- (c) a stall by a private individual is permitted if they obtain a letter from the Charity authorising their presence.
- (d) a letter is sent to Radio Cornwall, Atlantic FM, and Plymouth Sound inviting them to cover the Christmas Event.
- (e) the Christmas Tree Festival in St Nicholas and St Faiths Church is included as part of the event and is added to the publications.
- (f) amendments to the banners are carried out and the size of the banner for Victoria Gardens is checked, as there will be new fixings by the time the banner goes up.

- (g) the additional fee for Flava is approved, making a total of £850.

113/08/09 TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

Councillor Oakes stated that he still had to look at the trees in the schools as he had just returned from holiday. The Clerk stated that the list had not been updated. It was **AGREED** that whilst further trees should still be investigated and another list started, the list already provided should now be submitted as soon as it is updated with the missing details.

114/08/09 PARKING AT LONGSTONE PARK

The Clerk reported that Mr Masters at the District Council was unable to provide the information requested at the moment but would endeavour to do so by the next meeting. It was **AGREED** to leave on the Agenda.

115/08/09 BIDS TO DISTRICT COUNCIL FROM EXTRA MONIES

- (a) It had been resolved by the Town Council that bids for extra monies from the District Council should be submitted for CCTV and the Boundary Stones and consideration should now be given to the amount the Town Council will put towards each scheme.

It was **RECOMMENDED** that:-

- (i) the Town Council contribute 50% of the cost ie. £1500 to the £3000 for CCTV and £2500 for the estimated cost of £5000 for the Boundary Stones.
- (ii) a further quotation for moulds for the Town Seals is obtained from Composite Integration.

116/08/09 CCTV

It had not been possible to arrange a suitable date with Liskeard Town Council and Mr Masters at the District Council. It was **AGREED** to try to make a further meeting date and also the Town Clerk will supply a copy one quotation received to Councillor Yates.

117/08/09 LIGHTING AT MURAL

The Clerk reported that due to holidays the quotations for lights at the mural had not been followed up and it was **AGREED** to keep on the Agenda for next month.

118/08/09 TOILETS IN ALEXANDER SQUARE

It was noted that this is ongoing.

119/08/09 ELWELL LANE WOODS

Councillor Ellison reported that the Town Council could be in line for Woodland Improvement Grant. Groundwork is in the process of drawing up

plans for the area.

120/08/09 SALTASH STATION BUILDING

Councillor Bickford reported that Mr Chris Speed had been on holiday but he had hoped to speak with him next week. There is no sign of a new planning application as yet.

121/08/09 ALLOTMENTS IN SALTASH

Councillor Ellison reported that he had met all of the people who had offered to take part in the scheme. He had also met Mr Pengelly from the District Council who had said that dual approval was needed for any properties which were District Council owned ie the tenant and the District Council. The District Council also has two people contracted to undertake landscaping work and where the potential gardens are badly overgrown, they will undertake an initial clearance but this will be confirmed in writing to the Town Council. It was **AGREED** to wait until all potential allotments are available in order that they can be allocated from the waiting list.

122/08/09 FESTIVAL FUNDING

An application was considered from Caradon Cobras Swimming Club to hold four galas for all club members to take part in age groups as a Club Championships Festival. It was **RECOMMENDED** that a 50% grant is given of £1000, specifically to be ring fenced for the Saltash Gala with the conditions that Saltash Town Council is acknowledged on the tee shirts and any literature and any media coverage, also receipts and a report will be required.

123/08/09 GROUND MAINTENANCE

It was **AGREED** to defer this item until it is known whether Caradon District Council has a bowser. Mr Hine to be asked to continue to borrow the Liskeard bowser for the winter watering.

124/08/09 TOWN GREENS

It was **AGREED** that Chapel Field, Brunel Green, Jubilee Green, Tincombe and Moorlands Lane (rugby field) are submitted to Caradon District Council with the request that they register these areas as Town Greens.

125/08/09 MEMORIAL CONCERT

Councillor Ellison reported that the Memorial Concert had been well supported and thanked the staff for their assistance. To date there is a total of £736 but there is understood to be more to come in.

126/08/09 BRUNEL SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor Ellison reported that it had not yet met but will organise a meeting shortly. Councillor Bickford reported that Ashtorre is moving on with their arrangements for the Brunel celebrations. They hope to have a procession from Huntley Gardens to the Waterside on the Saturday evening of May Fair

weekend and also hope there will be a Firework display, Sail past and possibly a Barn Dance. It is also proposed to have a Victorian themed day on the Monday with some activity around the station. They had been advised to submit a Festival bid for funding.

127/08/09 MEETING WITH FOOTPATH ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Councillors reported on a very useful meeting with the Footpath Officer. The Modification Order submitted by Councillor Clements was discussed and it was **AGREED** that the Town Council send a strong letter to the County Council insisting that under Section 136 of the Highway Regulations the Town Council insist that the County move the Modification Order up the list for consideration, as it is taking up a dis-proportionate amount of Officer time.

(Councillor Clements declared a prejudicial interest as he had submitted the Modification Order and left the meeting)

There was a discussion of issues around the District Council's Planning Approval and it was **AGREED** that Councillors Holley, Ellison and Stephens seek a meeting with Mrs Sue Walters, the Head of Development Control.

128/08/09 BEATING OF THE BOUNDS IN 2009

Some Councillors had walked part of the route on Saturday. It was noted that there is no boundary stone at Moditonham Quay and it was suggested that the press has an article asking if anyone has this stone. Councillor Ellison reported that Mr Phare had come up with another suggestion for Beating the Bounds to overcome the tidal problem, in that it could be walked on the landward side in sections. It was felt that this could be a problem as several sections are privately owned. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk obtains quotations from Sound Cruising and Tamar Cruising to hire a boat for the Beating of the Bounds on 23rd May 2009.

129/08/09 PRECEPT FOR 2009/2010

- (a) Initial consideration of the Precept suggested that the sum of £5000 is included for allotments, as there will need to be various work done on the new allotments.
- (b) The Clerk reported that a survey of street furniture had commenced in 2007 and it was **AGREED** that this be circulated to Councillors for updating.
- (c) Mr Hine has cut the footpaths and is now able to give a more accurate price per footpath and he hopes to provide this information for the next meeting.
- (d) a meeting is needed between Liskeard Town Council, Saltash Town Council and Mr Masters from the District Council before an amount for CCTV can be included.

- (e) It was **AGREED** that the Committee asks the Policy and Resources Committee to continue the Festivals Fund, which is now at the end of its three year agreed period and that £20,000 is included in the budget.
- (f) Councillor Bickford will write an article on the Festival Fund for the next Town Messenger.

130/08/09 BUS SHELTERS

Councillor Holley reported that the bus shelter outside the Lidl premises is being used on a Friday and Saturday by groups of young people and the area is littered with rubbish. Lidl has agreed to clean out the bus shelter on a regular basis. It was **AGREED**:

- (a) Adshell is asked to remove the seat in the shelter for a trial period of three months, to deter the behaviour now occurring. The Town Council will cover the cost of removal and replacement of the seat.
- (b) a request is submitted to the District Council for a litter bin to be placed near the bus stop.
- (c) a watching brief to be kept on whether a bus shelter is required on the opposite side to Lidl.

131/08/09 PRESS RELEASES

It was **AGREED** that no additional press releases were required.

132/08/09 CONFIDENTIAL PART II

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to move into Confidential Part II to consider quotations for the Shelter in North Road.

133/08/09 SHELTER IN NORTH ROAD

Two quotations were considered for the Shelter in North Road. It is **RECOMMENDED** that the quotation from Mr P Stribling is accepted in the sum of £4070, provided that he holds public liability.

(Councillor Ellison left the meeting having declared a prejudicial interest. It was unanimously RESOLVED that Councillor Holley takes the Chair for this item)

134/08/09 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was **AGREED** that the meeting for November is changed to Wednesday 29th October 2008 7:00pm

Signed:
Chairman

Dated: