

SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Saltash Town Council held in The Guildhall on Tuesday 15th January 2013 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Councillors: M Gee, (Chairman), R Austin, R Bickford, Mrs J Dent, G Ellison, D Holley, Mrs. S Hooper MBE, A Killeya, B Reid, J Shepherd, D Yates

ALSO PRESENT: 1 Member of the public, Mrs A Pearce – Finance Officer, R Lane - Town Clerk.

APOLOGIES: Councillors: P Clements, Mrs. H Frank, C Oakes, W Phillips, C Riches,

HEALTH AND SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor informed those present of the actions required in the event of a fire or emergency.

324/12/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a. Declarations from Members of any registerable (5A of the Interim Code of Conduct) and/or non-registerable (5B) interests in matters to be considered at this meeting.
- b. Declarations from Members of Matters of Public Interest regarding matters to be considered at this meeting
- c. Dispensations required

Councillor	Agenda Item	Pecuniary/Non Pecuniary	Reason
Hooper	13 Festival Fund	Pecuniary	General Sec of Saltash Speech and Drama Festival

325/12/13 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

326/12/13 PLANNING

- a. It was noted that Cornwall Councillors will vote upon the information before them at this meeting but in the light of subsequent information received at Cornwall Council, Councillors may vote differently at that meeting.
- b. It was noted that in the event that the Cornwall Council officer wishes to recommend opposite to the Town Council's view they will contact the Town Council by email. In light of time constraints the Town Council will then hold an online poll of Councillors to determine whether to accept the officers' view or to ask for the application to be called into committee. The results of these polls will be read into the record at the next town council meeting. Members of the public may request, via the clerk, to be copied into any correspondence.
- c. Applications for consideration:

PA12/11455

Mr Lees – **4 Montgomery Close**

Erect rear conservatory.

Town Council Ward: Essa

Cornwall Council Ward: Saltash Essa

Date received: 02.01.2013

It was resolved to RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

PA12/11603

Mr N Yeo - **16 Bishops Close**

First floor extension over garage to form extra bedroom/bathroom, converting garage into kitchen/breakfast area.

Town Council Ward: Pill

Cornwall Council Ward: Saltash Pill

Date received: 07.01.2013

It was resolved to RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

PA12/11988

Mr and Mrs T Geany - **14 St Georges Road**

Construction of side extension and alterations.

Town Council Ward: Pill

Cornwall Council Ward: Saltash Pill

Date received: 02.01.2013

It was resolved to RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

PA12/12103

Mrs S Oates - **20 Hillside Road**

Roof and door to existing car hardstand to form garage.

Town Council Ward: Pill

Cornwall Council Ward: Saltash Pill

Date received: 07.01.2013

It was resolved to RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

327/12/13 CORNWALL COUNCIL NOTICE OF PLANNING SITE VISITS – NOTICE PERIOD GIVEN

The Chairman spoke regarding a recent invitation received from Cornwall Council Planning for councillors to attend an informal planning application site visit giving less than 24 hours notice.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman write to the planning department requesting that a minimum of 48 hours notice be given.

328/12/13 CORNWALL COUNCIL PRECEPT AND TAX BASE PROPOSALS

The Chairman gave a presentation and spoke with regard to the issue and impact the various options proposed would have on the precept.

Councillor Holley reported that Cornwall Council had deferred its decision until 31st January 2013.

It was **RESOLVED** that the precept setting be deferred until the outcome of the decision by Cornwall Council has been received.

329/12/13 REVISION OF THE ANTI-BRIBERY POLICY STATEMENT AND ANTI-FRAUD AND CORRUPTION STRATEGY FOR THE INCLUSION OF A COUNCIL CREDIT CARD

It was **RESOLVED** that the revision to include the council credit card be approved.

330/12/13 ESTABLISHMENT OF A COUNCIL CREDIT CARD (DEFERRED FROM FULL COUNCIL ON 3rd JANUARY 2013 TO INCLUDE ITEM 6 ABOVE)

It was **RESOLVED** that a council credit card be approved subject to the approved conditions of use.

331/12/13 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, it was **RESOLVED** that the press/public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business.

332/12/13 ANY ITEMS REFERRED FROM THE MAIN PART OF THE AGENDA

None

333/12/13 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

It was **RESOLVED** that the public and press be re-admitted to the Meeting.

334/12/13 URGENT NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Prior to the next item Councillor Mrs S Hooper MBE declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting.

Saltash Music and Speech and Drama Festival

The Chairman reported that a late application for funding from the festival fund had been received and as there was no civic amenities committee due prior to the event requested members views.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

1. The application be deferred to the next full council meeting.
2. That in order for the application to be eligible the applicant supply information as to how the grant conditions were achieved last year and how it is intended they will be met this year if an award is approved.

Councillor Mrs S Hooper MBE was invited and returned to the meeting.

Code of Conduct Training

The Chairman referred to the training taking place at Callington on 17th January 2013 previously notified.

It was **RESOLVED** to note.

Free Parking

The Chairman informed members of a letter received from a town trader.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Killeya respond to the letter.

Guildhall Storage

The Chairman referred to the reduced hall space in the Guildhall due to health and safety requirements for the storage of chairs and the resulting impact this has had on the available function areas.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Guildhall working party consider chair storage options and report back to council.

Citizens Advice Bureau Cornwall

The Chairman presented a letter received from CAB Cornwall relating to an ongoing funding application which referred to the disposal of the organisations premises at Belle Vue by Cornwall Council.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Holley would investigate and report back to full council.

Recruiting Councillors

The Chairman reported that Cornwall Council are holding an event to promote the recruitment of councillors in the community and proposed that this council hold one prior to the elections in may.

It was **RESOLVED** that a recruitment event be held on 7th March 2013 from 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm.

335/12/13 PRESS RELEASES AND FUTURE ARTICLES REQUIRED

It was **RESOLVED** that a press release be issued to promote the councillor recruitment events being held by this council and Cornwall Council

336/12/13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 7th February 2013
Tuesday 19th February 2013

337/12/13 COMMON SEAL

It was **RESOLVED** that the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to all Deeds and Documents necessary to give effect to the foregoing Acts and Proceedings.

Rising at 8.12 pm

Signed: _____
Chairman

Dated: 7th February 2013