

SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Saltash Town Council held in The Guildhall on 12th June 2008 at 7pm

PRESENT: Councillors D Holley (Chairman), R Austin, N Challen, P Clements, G Ellison, Mrs S Hooper MBE, A Killeya, Mrs S Lennox-Boyd, C Oakes, C Riches, D Yates (for part of meeting)

ALSO PRESENT Mrs S Lewis (Parish Liaison Officer, One Cornwall Team)
Mrs M Small (Town Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Councillors Bickford, Gee, Mrs Knight, Reid, Stephens

53/08/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs Lennox-Boyd declared a prejudicial interest in planning application No. 08/00215/FUL regarding Stax Reclamation Ltd and will leave the meeting during voting as the applicant is a close personal friend. She also declared a personal interest in application no. 08/00731/FUL regarding 12 Harbour View as Mr Laker is a friend.

54/08/09 PLANNING

- (a) It was noted that District Councillors voted upon the information before them at this meeting but in the light of subsequent information received at the District Council, Councillors may vote differently.
- (b) Applications for consideration:

Date received	Application no.	Details of application
04.06.2008	08/00215/FUL	Stax Reclamation Ltd - land at Avery Way, Edgumbe Road, Carkeel - erection of 7 purpose built buildings: 6 units within use class B2 (units A,C,D, E, F & G) and 1 unit for use within use classes B1, B2 & B8 (unit B) Revised plans. It was RESOLVED by 3 in favour, 4 against, 2 abstentions (Councillors Holley and Killeya) to RECOMMEND REFUSAL as (a) increase in pedestrians crossing over A38, for which there is no adequate provision (b) increase of traffic along Avery Way and in particular at end of Edgumbe Road which will exacerbate current traffic problems caused by a queue of vehicles waiting to get onto the site due to recycling compacting activities (c) visual impact from Tamar Valley and exit from tunnel (d) there

should be a full environmental impact assessment.

Should the application be approved, there should be a condition that no large signs, including canvas, as Stax had and no lights that shine down the valley, should be permitted.

(Councillor Mrs Lennox-Boyd left the meeting during voting, having declared a prejudicial interest)

02.06.2008	08/00435/FUL	Mr T Gilbert - 33 Liskeard Road - construction of two storey extension with pitched roof to rear of dwelling (demolition of existing single storey extension). It was unanimously RESOLVED to RECOMMEND APPROVAL subject to no neighbour objection and adequate provision for drainage.
02.06.2008	08/00510/FUL	Mr P Jonas - 34 Hobbs Crescent - excavation of grass bank and rebuild retaining wall to provide car parking area and build utility room on side of bungalow. Revised plans. It was unanimously RESOLVED to RECOMMEND APPROVAL subject to (a) the low wall in front of the parking area should be kept in order to preserve on-road parking (b) no neighbour objection (c) adequate provision for drainage.
05.06.2008	08/00701/FUL	Balabrook Ltd - 4 & 5 Keast Mews, Fore Street - change of use of units 4 and 5 Keast Mews from storage to A1 retail use. It was unanimously RESOLVED to RECOMMEND APPROVAL subject to no neighbour objection and adequate provision for drainage.
05.06.2008	08/00731/FUL	Mr AJ Laker and Ms N Screech - 12 Harbour View - proposed alteration to form rooms in roof with formation of gables to front and rear and proposed dormer. It was unanimously RESOLVED to RECOMMEND APPROVAL subject to (a) it is in keeping with the size and location of

the site (b) there is no neighbour objection (c) there is adequate provision for drainage.

02.06.2008

08/00729/FUL

Mr and Mrs A Martin - **50 Hawks Park** - construction of extension to dwelling to provide entrance porch, enlarged kitchen and conservatory on ground floor, study, shower room and enlarged bedroom on first floor. **It was unanimously RESOLVED to RECOMMEND APPROVAL** subject to no neighbour objection and adequate provision for drainage.

NB There was some concern that the roof should be stepped.

28.05.2008

08/00741/FUL

Mr Grady - **Cross Park Villa, Salt Mill** - installation of dormer window to rear extension. **It was unanimously RESOLVED to RECOMMEND APPROVAL** subject to no neighbour objection and adequate provision for drainage.

05.06.2008

08/00745/FUL

Mrs C Gonzalez - **23 Bishops Close** - erect PCVU conservatory to rear of property. **It was unanimously RESOLVED to RECOMMEND APPROVAL** subject to no neighbour objection and adequate provision for drainage.

55/08/09

ONE CORNWALL

- (a) Mrs S Lewis, the Parish Liaison Officer, discussed the localism charter synopsis. Mrs Lewis emphasized that it is a framework on how One Cornwall and Parish and Town Councils will work together in the future and is not legally binding.

Councillors wished to see more detail in the document and include statements to confirm that finance will follow a function; there should be direct contact with Officers; there should be local consultation before disposing of local assets and the wish of the Parish or Town Council should be paramount and not the wish of the Community Network Area; a Parish or Town Council should not be forced to take on devolved services without its agreement; Community Network Areas should reflect true homogenous areas so that decision making is local; Community Network Areas will be reviewed at the request of Parish and Town Councils where Councils feel that areas are not working.

(Councillor Yates arrived)

- (b) The One Cornwall survey results were discussed. Mrs Lewis confirmed that the survey has given ideas on devolution and a lot of information on Parish and Town Councils. It has also identified Parishes that are worried by the changes. There is no common denominator that all Parishes wished to undertake.
- (c) The Cornwall Association of Local Councils is consulting further on the date options for Parish and Town elections. It was **RESOLVED** that the Town Council supports Option 4 for elections in 2013 for continuity.
- (d) Councillor Austin reported that together with Councillor Gee and the Clerk he had visited Callington Town Council regarding their arrangements for maintenance of parks.

In discussions with Mr M Eddy from the One Cornwall Team, it had been stated that a Council taking on a devolved service would have to take on existing staff if the majority of their time was undertaking that service and the Town or Parish Council would be responsible for redundancies if necessary. The Clerk stated that the Council did not have plans in place for redundancies and this would have an affect on whether contractors could be used.

It was **RESOLVED** that:-

- (i) Councillor Gee prepares a detailed report on projected costs
 - (ii) a copy of Callington's budget is circulated with the above costs
 - (iii) the Clerk reports on the Town Council's existing costs for maintenance over all Committees
- (e) Councillor Ellison circulated a report on a meeting of Essa and Pill Ward Councillors to discuss issues relating to the waterfront. Councillor Ellison stated that there had been a disappointing lack of response from Ward Councillors and urged them to attend the next meeting in September.
- (f) The Clerk reported that Caradon is looking at a lease for the Grenfell Avenue allotments but there are issues to resolve regarding the use of individual plots and the areas shown on the map.
- (g) Councillor Austin reported that the Bowling Club has now been waiting 18 months for a lease and Mr Moriarity had confirmed that it has been passed to Ms Jean Housley to implement. It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Austin will continue to follow up the issue of a lease to the Bowling Club.
- (h) Councillor Austin circulated a list he had prepared showing property and land owned in Saltash by District/County Councils. It was **RESOLVED** that this is circulated to all Councillors and it is discussed at the next meeting as to whether the Town Council wish to take on ownership/lease of the areas.

- (i) A letter was reported from the Boundary Committee stating that they have been unable to make a decision on the appropriate size for the new authority. Therefore, there will be a further six week period of consultation, ending on 18th July 2008. It was **RESOLVED** that Councillors meet to draft a response.

56/08/09 **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.

57/08/09 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** Tuesday 8th July 2008 at 7 pm

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