

SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Saltash Town Council held in The Guildhall on Thursday 28th August 2008 at 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors D Holley (Chairman), R Austin, R Bickford, N Challen, A Killeya, Mrs F Knight, C Oakes, B Reid, P Stephens ISM, D Yates

ALSO PRESENT Mrs M Small (Town Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Councillors P Clements (Holiday), G Ellison (Holiday),
Mrs S Hooper MBE (Holiday),
County Councillor Mrs J Mepsted

110/08/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations of interest were declared.

111/08/09 CORNWALL STRATEGIC HOUSING LAND AVAILABILITY SURVEY

Councillor Killeya stated that the basis of the survey is to identify land for possible housing use. The Town Council does not need to respond at this stage but can start to think whether there are any suitable sites in Saltash. In the first stage, the District Council will look everywhere for land and then move on to looking at the viability of the land.

It was **RESOLVED** that:-

- (a) No comments are made on the methodology statement.
- (b) Councillors look for possible sites so that at the end of the year when the Town Council is formally consulted, the Council is ready to respond. It should be noted that any land must be able to accommodate five houses.

112/08/09 PROPOSED CLOSURE OF CROSS PARK POST OFFICE

Councillor Holley reported that together with Councillor Killeya they had sent a response to the consultation document on the proposed closure of Cross Park Post Office, which was read to the meeting. It was **RESOLVED** that the response is endorsed.

113/08/09 REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY

Councillor Killeya reported that of the 500 houses suggested, 145 have already been consented and urban capacity is 84, giving a total of 229, which leaves 271 to find. However, there are other factors which influence the provision at any given point, for example possible windfall allocation. Councillor Riches queried if an allocation of 500 houses up to 2026 was sufficient and queried if some of the allocation for the rest of Caradon could be transferred.

It was **RESOLVED** that in view of the limited capacity to expand, the Town Council supports the allocation of 500 dwellings.

114/08/09

ONE CORNWALL

Councillor Holley circulated a letter which was being sent to the One Cornwall Team making further representations regarding the Community Network Areas and the inclusion of Torpoint with Saltash.

Following a meeting with the representatives of the One Cornwall Team, it is clear that the main facilities will be at the Library because the County already own it. The Town Council may have a payment kiosk and the Guildhall may be used for meetings. Councillors expressed disappointment that the One Stop Shop is not going to be in the Town Centre.

At the next meeting with the One Cornwall Team, the Town Council to ask if a substantial building could be provided closer to the Town Centre how would this be viewed. As an alternative to extending the Library, in the medium to long term, the Town Council would like to discuss joint funding options of providing a building in the Town Centre. The Town Council might consider hosting a number of other employees but concerned if this is staff sharing.

115/08/09

DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

- (a) Councillor Killea reported that the Cabinet had unanimously recommended to the full Caradon District Council that they should apply for village green status for Warfelton, although they cannot give a guarantee about any future extension to the Leisure Centre. It was **RESOLVED** that the Civic Amenities Committee considers further applications for Village Green status.
- (b) The Cabinet has referred to the full District Council meeting, a discussion on the grants to Parish and Town Councils for cemeteries, lighting and parks.
- (c) Councillor Killea reported that there is an additional £110,000 funding available which has not been allocated to any particular fund. A letter will be sent to all Parish and Town Councils and therefore it will be possible to submit further applications for funding. It was **RESOLVED** that consideration of projects for extra funding from the above money should be discussed by each Committee.

116/08/09

BUILDINGS AND LAND

Councillor Holley reported on a meeting with the Citizens Advice Bureau when the future of the building had been discussed.

It was **RESOLVED** that:-

- (a) Councillors Austin and Holley meet with Mr Runnalls at the District Council to discuss running costs or full ownership of the CAB building.
- (b) A copy of the full sheet of properties is sent to Mr Runnalls for discussion to obtain figures for current maintenance.

- (c) Councillor Gee will speak to Saltash Waterfront Residents Association regarding submission of applications for Village Green status at the waterfront.
- (d) Councillor Killeya will speak to the Community.net school to see if they actually own the school field.

117/08/09 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 9th September 2008 at 7:00pm.

118/08/09 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.