

SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Saltash Town Council held in The Guildhall on Tuesday 16th September 2014 at 5.30pm

PRESENT: Councillors: J Dent (Chairman), R Austin, J Brady, Mrs G Challen, Mrs. H Frank, M Gee, Mrs. S Hooper MBE, W Phillips, D Yates

ALSO PRESENT: 2 Members of the public, R Lane - Town Clerk.

APOLOGIES: Councillors: R Bickford, M Coot, G Ellison, D Holley, A Killeya, L Russell, J Shepherd.

HEALTH AND SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

200/14/15 RECORDING OF MEETINGS – PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHAIRMAN IF YOU ARE INTENDING TO RECORD THIS MEETING

201/14/15 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
None			

202/14/15 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

203/14/15 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:

PA14/06998

Mr and Mrs S Cockerill – **The Roost, 446 New Road**

Application for the modification or discharge of a planning obligation for the planning application 02/01595/FUL dated 4th October 2002

Ward: North

Date received: 03.09.2014

It was resolved to **RECOMMEND REFUSAL DUE TO INADEQUATE ACCESS AND LACK OF AMENITY SPACE.**

PA14/07902

Mr. Michael O'Neill – **Land Adjacent 4 Smiths Way, Latchbrook**

Change of use of land to domestic curtilage

Ward: West

Date received: 08.09.2014

It was resolved to **RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

PA14/07220

Mr. Johnnas Jansen – **7 Clover Walk, Saltash**

Single storey side extension.

Ward: West

Date received: 09.09.2014

It was resolved to **RECOMMEND APPROVAL**

- d. Tree applications/notifications:

- i. Applications

None

- ii. Notifications

None

204/14/15 CONSIDER OPTIONS WITH REGARD TO THE PROPOSED CESSATION OF HARD COPIES OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO THE TOWN COUNCIL BY CORNWALL COUNCIL

Members considered the issues relating to the proposal and potential options.

It was identified that the requirements of both the community and councillors needed to be considered.

An option identified would be to provide a computer terminal in reception for the community to view plans online and a large screen tv for the projection of plans onto a screen at meetings.

Members questioned why STC should procure IT equipment as a possible solution when the council is a statutory consultee. It is considered Cornwall Council should provide the plans as part of the proposed new consultation process.

Members questioned if the proposal had also been directed to other statutory consultees such as the highway authority etc.

Members considered the option to pay Cornwall Council to continue to provide hard copies of plans,

It was considered that should an electronic method of sending/receiving plans be implemented then Cornwall Council should send the plans as attachments to emails and that the plans be printable and legible on A3 copy.

It was **RESOLVED** to refer the issue to the Cornwall Council Budget Saving Review meeting to be held on Thursday 18th September 2014 to formulate a response.

205/14/15 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, it was **RESOLVED** that the public and press leave the meeting because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

206/14/15 CONSIDER ANY ITEMS REFERRED FROM THE MAIN PART OF THE AGENDA

Staffing Recruitment

Councillor Gee requested members consider a departure from the staffing recruitment policy in order to alleviate disruption to staffing and services following the resignation of a receptionist.

It was **RESOLVED** that there be no departure from the Staffing Recruitment Policy.

207/14/15 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

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

208/14/15 URGENT NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Panel Scrutiny Review – Call for evidence.

The Chairman informed members the PCP is due to undertake a review at its next meeting on 17 October 2014 and will be adopting a select committee style approach. In order to assist the PCP Members in effectively scrutinising the topic, the Panel is seeking written evidence from stakeholders through the provision of responses on a number of questions relating to “Police and Crime Commissioner’s joint announcement with the Chief Constable in respect of Devon and Cornwall Police Public Contact Strategy – Station Enquiry Rationalisation”.

Written responses are required by Friday 19th September 2014 and witness attendance at the meeting to provide verbal evidence.

It was **RESOLVED** to note.

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It was **RESOLVED** to consider the item under the Public Bodies (Admission To Meetings) Act 1960.

209/14/15 PRESS RELEASES AND FUTURE ARTICLES REQUIRED

None

210/14/15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 2nd October 2014 at 7.00pm
Tuesday 21st October 2014 (Planning) at 5.30pm

211/14/15 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 6.20 pm

Signed: _____

Chairman

Dated: _____