SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

<u>Minutes of a Meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held at The Guildhall on</u> <u>Tuesday 5th February 2008 at 7:30pm</u>

 PRESENT: Councillors M Gee (Chairman), R Austin, D Holley, Mrs S Hooper MBE, C Riches, Yates

 ALSO PRESENT: Councillors R Bickford (for part of meeting), P Clements, Mrs S Lennox-Boyd, D Oakes Mrs M Small (Town Clerk)

 APOLOGIES: Councillors N Challen, A Killeya, Mrs F Knight, B Reid, P Stephens,

111/07/08 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were declared.

112/07/08 EXTENSION TO CEMETERY

Councillor Austin reported that the amended plan had now been approved by the Burial Board, their only comment being that two of the car parking spaces should be for the disabled. It was **AGREED** that the Town Clerk speakes with Mr Masters regarding the way forward and then writes to Sir Richard Carew Pole/Mr Cressey asking how much the land will cost. Once this is known, Councillors Gee, Austin, Clements and Yates will meet with the Estate to negotiate the cost.

113/07/08 ONE CORNWALL

Councillors reported on the meeting called by the District Council regarding One Cornwall which had been held at The Guildhall for all Parishes in Caradon. Some disappointment was expressed at the vagueness of some of the responses to specific questions.

Councillor Holley explained the boundary review of voting wards in Cornwall.

(Councillor Bickford arrived)

114/07/08 COUNTY FIRE BRIGADE SERVICE PLAN

The summary of the proposals in the Fire Brigade Service Plan were examined. It was **AGREED** to write objecting to taking away the Command Centre and making it a Regional Centre is a step too far and the loss of local knowledge will be detrimental. Councillor Holley will prepare a draft response.

115/07/08 ENGLISH BLIND GOLF COMPETITION

The Clerk reported that following the last meeting, she had been advised that the player who had been given sponsorship in the past had now moved away from Saltash. It was **AGREED** to remove this item from the agenda.

116/07/08 TOWN TWINNING CITIZENS MEETINGS

Councillor Yates reported that having studied the paperwork, it is not a simple task to apply for the funding but he will discuss this with the French when they come across.

117/07/08 CARADON COMMUNITY HALLS NETWORK

A letter was received from the District Council inviting the Town Council to join the Community Halls Network. Whilst it was not thought appropriate for the Town Council, it was **AGREED** that Burraton Community Centre and Latchbrook should be advised.

118/07/08 COUNCIL'S STANDING ORDERS

It was **AGREED** that a sub-committee should meet to go through the Standing Orders in detail.

119/07/08 FINANCIAL REPORT

The Clerk advised that she had not been able to produce a report in time for this meeting but would circulate a copy for the next meeting.

120/07/08 PRESS REPORTS

It was **AGREED** that the following press reports are issued.

121/07/08 STAFFING ISSUE

The Clerk reported that for personal reasons and with regret the Grounds Person had handed in his notice. It was **AGREED** that as the appointment was less than six months ago and in line with Standing Orders, the Clerk contacts those who had already been interviewed to see if someone was still interested.

122/07/08 SALTASH FORE STREET REGENERATION STUDY

An e-mail was reported from Mr B Carter requesting a representative for the initial Fore Street Regeneration Meeting. It was **AGREED** that this is deferred to the full Council meeting to appoint a representative.

123/07/08 LIDL 106 MONEY

An e-mail was reported from Mr B Carter requesting a representative to meet with Malcolm Garrington to discuss partial allocation of about £35,000 of the Lidl 106 money. It was **AGREED** that this is deferred to the full Council meeting to appoint a representative.

124/07/08 <u>NEW APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR</u>

It was noted that the Audit Commission had appointed a new auditor for the Town Council with effect from the current financial year.

125/07/08 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Tuesday 4th March 2008 at 7:30pm