

SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Civic Amenities Committee held in The Guildhall on Wednesday 12th January 2011 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors: C Oakes (Chair), R Bickford, P Clements (Vice-Chair), G Ellison, Mrs H Frank, A Killeya, C Riches, P Stephens ISM

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor: R Austin. Ray Lane - Town Clerk.

APOLOGIES: Councillors: M Gee, W Phillips.

HEALTH AND SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Prior to the agenda, the Mayor announced that Robin Teverson's amendment in the House of Lords to protect Cornwall was defeated by 250:221, which was extremely disappointing, given both the rightness of the case, and the amount of work that went in to the campaign.

196/10/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Name	Agenda Item	Personal/Prejudicial	Reason
J Ellison	6	Prejudicial	Project Leader
R Bickford	6	Prejudicial	Director
P Clements	6	Personal	Member
P Stephens ISM	9(a)	Prejudicial	Relative of resident

197/10/11 FOOTPATHS

(a) Footpath Update

Councillor Clements reported that the footpath maps were now available on the web page.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

1. Copies be printed off for distribution at reception in return for a voluntary donation to the Mayor's charity.
2. Receptionists to request and record feedback on the leaflets from recipients.

(b) Gate at Gilston Road and Badgers Walk

It was **RESOLVED** that the item be deferred until the next meeting for a report by Councillor Phillips.

(c) **Footway/cycletrack bridges between Pillmere Housing Estate and Wain Homes Estate/Berry Park**

Councillor Clements reported that the bridge at Pillmere is not in place yet and that the housing developers are planning to put the bridge in place, as per the S106 agreement, but it will be the last job to be completed on site.

Councillor Riches confirmed that County Enforcement Officers were monitoring the situation to ensure compliance under the S106 agreement.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

Councillor Clements reported that the bridge at Berry Park was not being replaced, due to the necessity to purchase land at an approximate cost of £30,000, to enable suitable foundations to be laid to facilitate the installation.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Riches will liaise with the landowner, to progress the possibility of foundations being allowed to be laid on the land at no cost, and report back.

(d) **Footbridge/cycletrack bridge across the A38 at Carkeel**

Councillor Clements reported public consultation had determined that a bridge was necessary, however further information was awaited regarding a feasibility study into a crossing being of greater cost benefit, but in any case lack of funding is restricting progress.

It was **RESOLVED** that the issue be referred to the S106 meeting for consideration.

198/10/11 **SHOWCASE EVENT**

The Chairman gave an update report to members on progress to date.

It was **RESOLVED** that:

1. The Town Crier be booked to promote the event on the day.
2. An eight foot, reusable banner be procured to promote the event.

199/10/11 **ELWELL WOODS/ CELTIC CROSS**

Councillor Ellison reported that, upon receipt of two final documents from Cornwall Council, funding for the project will be enabled and work may commence. Project procurement is taking place through Cornwall Council, as the accountable body.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

200/10/11 **GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

(a) **Phase IV and V**

Members considered the progress of Phase IV works.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk meet with County Councillors to determine funding available to support the works from their Community Chest funds.

It was **RECOMMENDED** that work commence on Phase IV works.

The Chairman presented a report of a survey and recommendations produced by Councillors Hooper and Ellison (copy on file) regarding planting and landscape improvements in the town.

The Chairman reported that a meeting was being organised with the Rotary to consider a renewed joint working landscaping agreement.

It was **RECOMMENDED** that:

1. The item be deferred until a meeting has taken place with Rotary.
2. The existing boat on Waterside Green, opposite the Boatman, should be junked and replaced by the one from the Co-op car park. SWRA (and possibly UA3) be considered to take responsibility for its upkeep and maintenance either by personal gardening to STC standard or by paying Hine Bros to do so.
3. Councillor Bickford contact BR to determine if the boat at the station can be moved to the Penzance platform and if any funding would be available from BR.
4. All works contained in the report be costed.
5. Ascertain if Cornwall Council would approve a no cost transfer, following repair and restoration works by themselves, of the triangle of fenced land to the rear of the Co-op.

201/10/11 **ALLOTMENTS**

(a) **Grenfell Avenue**

The Chairman reported that the land was now being transferred as a capital asset, as opposed to the previous licensed agreement.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cornwall Council be contacted to determine if any costs for the Council would be associated with the transfer.

(b) **Churchtown Allotments**

Members considered a report by Councillor Austin regarding the spraying and rotivation of the allotment site.

It was **RESOLVED** that costs be obtained for the spraying and rotivation of the land and that the costs be **RECOMMENDED** to Full Council for approval.

Prior to the next item Councillor P Stephens ISM declared a prejudicial interest and left the chamber.

202/10/11 **STREET LIGHTING**

(a) **Moorland View**

The Chairman informed members Cornwall Council Housing had now initiated a consultation with residents to determine views on the provision of lighting.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

Councillor P Stephens ISM returned to the meeting.

(b) **Tincombe and Saltmill**

It was **RESOLVED** that the item be deferred until a report from Councillor D Holley was available.

203/10/11 **SEATS**

The Chairman reported that works had been ordered to refurbish the two benches outside the National Westminster Bank and the remaining benches would be considered by the Industry Commerce Transportation and Tourism Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

204/10/11 **PARKS AT PILLMERE**

Councillor Riches reported that the matter was ongoing and he had no current report.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

205/10/11 **TOWN MESSENGER**

The Chairman gave an update on progress to date.

It was **RESOLVED** that costs be sought for the inclusion of colour photographs in future editions for consideration at the next meeting.

206/10/11 **REPORTS OF OVERHANGING TREES AND PLANT GROWTH**

No report.

207/10/11 **BLUE PLAQUE SCHEME**

No report.

208/10/11 **COMMUNITY TOILET SCHEME**

The Chairman reported that the Cecil Arms had now joined the scheme.

It was **RECOMMENDED** that two signs be purchased for the Railway and Cecil Arms, up to a value of £200.

209/10/11 **PROPOSED “BRING AND SHARE” PICNIC ON JUBILLE GREEN TO CELEBRATE THE ROYAL WEDDING**

Councillor A Killeya reported on behalf of Councillor M Killeya that preparations were underway and the location had yet to be finalised.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

210/10/11 **URGENT NON-FINANCIAL MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR**

Councillor Austin reported that Cornwall Council had introduced a fee of £10 for the use of Victoria Garden gates for the display of banners.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cornwall Council be approached with a view to the Town Council taking over the responsibility for the allocation of banner bookings.

214/10/11 **PRESS RELEASES**

It was **RESOLVED** that the following press releases be issued:

1. Showcase.
2. Walks leaflet availability.

215/10/11 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 9th March 2011.

Rising at 8.15