

MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL
Held at the ALEXANDER HALL, St Blazey, on Thursday 30th June 2011
Present

Councillor A Seel – Vice Chairperson (late arrival)

Councillors:

G Allen, M Gill, D Hooper, G Miller & D Scrafton

In attendance: Town Clerk
 Cornwall Councillor Roy Taylor
 Charles Richards
 1 members of the press

1106/01 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Chairperson June Anderson, Councillor Heyward, Councillor Putt and Cornwall Councillor David Hughes.

1106/02 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of 26th May 2011 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

1106/03 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest on items on the Agenda or of gifts of a value greater than £25.

1106/04 MATTERS ARISING

1105/07 The Clerk has had a message from CEP who confirmed that there are plans for a community turbine in St Blazey and that consultation will begin soon.

1106/05 POLICE CRIME FIGURES

May 2011

Assault	2
Burglary Dwelling	0
Burglary Other	2
Theft of M/V	1
Vehicle Crime	3
Theft	5
Damage	3
Drugs	0
Other	5
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Total	21

1106/06 **A TALK BY MARK JONES FROM SUPERFAST CORNWALL**

Superfast Cornwall is a joint venture between the European Convergence funders, Cornwall Council, BT and Cornwall Development Agency. 130,000km of very fine fibre optic cables will transmit high speed broadband across Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. The fibre optic cables provide a download speed of 40mb per second and an upload speed of 10mb per second, BT have announced that this will double.

Presently broadband is delivered through the green cabinets seen around towns by connecting the fibre through these, a trial soon to begin in St Austell will deliver the fibre directly to the broadband premises, these will expand to the whole of Cornwall by 2013.

Not all internet providers have the ability to connect to superfast as they do not use the BT cabinets. Superfast Cornwall would like to see everybody online and will be providing local training to attain this aim.

1106/07 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR ROY TAYLOR.**

Councillor Taylor reported that the individual protection grants will be available soon and he is having a meeting next week to see what help will be made available for those excluded from the scheme, residents of Station Road and Fore Street, next week.

Councillor Taylor had attended the Strategic planning Committee earlier in the day when the proposed Carlyon Bay development was decided, the committee gave permission unanimously.

Councillor Taylor has provided Hands Together, residents association with a grant of £150 from his community chest.

In response to Councillor Scrafton's request, Councillor Taylor gave the Clerk an estimate provided by Cornwall Council for £6,492 per annum running costs for the public toilets in Station Road.

Councillor Taylor will continue to hold surgery's on the first Saturday of each month but will split his time 9.30am – 11.00am at The Coffee Shop by Co- op and 11.00am - 12.30pm at the Burrows Centre.

1106/08 **FLOODING ISSUES IN ST BLAZEY**

Charles Richards gave the Council an update of the Par and St Blazey Community Flood Group since the last meeting.

The Household survey is nearly complete and will be published through the local press.

The Flood Fair held on June 23rd was a success and Charles thanked the Flood Wardens who helped him deliver the 350 advertising leaflets.

Charles will be supporting neighbouring communities in establishing their own community plans using the St Blazey plan as a template.

The Par and St Blazey flood plan is near completion and will be produced in a modular fashion.

Charles is working with the network manager on a bid to the lottery fund to support the establishment of the community flood plans.

A community flood forum web-site is to be established with input from the environment Agency, Cornwall Council and SWW.

Charles continues to work with the Environment Agency who has accepted his advice that improvements need to be made to their national guidance documents.

Charles has been invited to the Cabinet Office to produce a case study for their web-site. The case study is to focus upon community engagement through the Par and St Blazey community Flood Group.

1106/09 **THE TOWN PLAN**

The town plan committee will give more thought to where a town bus should or could run and it is hoped that by the next meeting we would have a clear route. The first two St Blaise Town Council Newsletters have been produced, the Clerk will start a file that can be presented to the CALC Executive and as soon as a new Councillor is co-opted Power of Well-being training will be organised.

1106/10 **PROJECT LIST**

St Blazey Fountain – The Clerk has spoken with May Gurney regarding re-instating the workings of the Fountain and it is hoped work will begin soon.

Town Car Park – Councillor Taylor will be meeting with Theresa Frost to discuss the Town car Park next week. Kevin Atkinson has started work today on filling the kerb stones with concrete.

New Community Centre – Tenders for the extension at the Burrows Centre have been invited and will be opened at noon on 11.7.2011.

Piggy Alley – Devolution of assets is now being dealt with by the localism department at Cornwall Council and the clerk will endeavour to make further progress with this.

1106/11 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk has spoken with Matt Barton, Cornwall Councils assistant head of Communications and Strategy who reported that as long as the One Stop Shop “Out and About” service continues to be well visited it would continue.

The Clerk has been notified information and evidence with respect to the Environmental Statement for the planning application at Carlyon Bay. A CD is available if anybody wishes to view them.

Cornwall Council has advised the Council of a proposed modification of the definitive map of public rights of way by the addition of a footpath from Par Lane to footway from Polgover Way. Councillor Putt and the Clerk replied with No Objection.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic

Location: Footpath 13, St Blaise

Timing: Originally 30th December 2010 to 30th June 2011, Now extended until 1st January 2012 (24 hours Weekends Included)

Reason: Cornwall Council - Repairs to the Bridleway caused by Flood Damage

Vice Chairman Councillor Seel entered the meeting and took the Chair.

1106/12 PLANNING MATTERS

There have been six applications received. It was RESOLVED to not object to three of them.

PA11/04013 Full Planning
Proposed Detached Double Garage.
Highland Court Lodge
Biscovey Road
St Blazey Gate.

PA11/04194 Full Planning
Application to replace extant permission C2/08/00872 first floor bedroom extension.
5 St Marys Road
Biscovey
St Blazey

PA10/07544 Full Planning
Re-surfacing of cliff top car-park (amendments to original application)
Carlyon Bay Car Park

The Council RESOLVED to object to three of them.

PA11/03672 Full Planning
Conversion to 6 Flats
Acorns Childcare Centre
Church Street
St Blazey.

PA11/01086 Full Planning
Proposed 5 Bedroomed House (amendments to original application)
Plot 2A The Mount
St Blazey.

PA11/01121 Full Planning
Proposed 5 Bedroomed House (amendments to original application)
Plot 2B The Mount
St Blazey.

Planning Application results received.

PA11/02913 Full Planning
Temp permission for tents and caravans on a restineas field during July
and August at the Eden Project, Bodelva
PERMISSION APPROVED

1106/13 ALEXANDER HALL

The Warden has carried out several minor repairs at the hall.

1106/14 ACCOUNTS

Income		Expenditure	
Hall Bookings	210.50 5/11	Broadband	26.81
Hall Bookings	132.00	SWW	55.00
Grant	500.00 5/11	Electricity	38.00
Int	3.19 5/11	HMRC	337.30
WPD	11.02	CC (pen)	339.03
		Clerks Sal	1020.49
		Waldon Electrical	1800.00
		Wardens Wage	721.73
		Cleaners Wage	
		Repair materials	31.74
		Key Cutting	7.49
		Soap	1.46
		Petrol	40.01
		Wardens Telephone	22.00
		Travel	72.90
		Insurance	158.25
		Saxton Drilling	1140.00
		Bodmin Fire Protection	57.50
		ICON	120.00
		Jet card	46.15
		SLCC	48.00
		Melba Swinton	126.72
		JNC	840.00
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	856.71		7050.58

Councillor Miller proposed that the high interest investment be increased to £100,000 and re-invested for a further 3 months, Councillor Seel seconded the proposal, all the Council agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1106/15 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillor Scrafton has attended the Par Community Association meeting and coffee morning, he believes that the group can make a difference and urged the Council to support them in any way they can.

Councillor Scrafton continues to attend The St Austell, St Blazey and Clay Country Steering group and asked the Council the type of regeneration they would like to see in the town, the Council said they would prefer to see a growth of jobs and business in line with residential.

Councillor Scrafton informed the Council that the Big Local would be holding a meet the funder's day at Alexander Hall on Thursday the 28th July 2011.

Councillor Scrafton expressed his concerns regarding Cornwall Councils spending cuts and how it would affect St Blazey; this will be an agenda item at July's Council meeting.

1106/16 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be 28th July 2011 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10pm.