

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL
Held at the ALEXANDER HALL, St Blazey, on Thursday 29th May 2014**

Present

Councillor J Anderson - Mayor
Councillor A Seel – Deputy Mayor

Councillors:

R Blackie, R Heyward, G Miller, A Putt, R Taylor, S Wheeler
and D Scrafton.

In attendance: Town Clerk
Cornwall Cllrs R Taylor & D Scrafton (incl above)
PC R Toms
Dave Pearce

1405/01 **ELECTION OF MAYOR**

It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Councillor June Anderson to be returned as Mayor of the Town Council.

1405/02 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor Allen.

1405/03 **ELECTION OF VICE MAYOR**

It was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Councillor Adrian Seel to be returned as Vice Mayor of the Town Council.

1405/04 **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

June Anderson -	Par Liaison Group
	St Blazey Community Watch
	Burrows Board of Directors
	Planning Committee
	St Blazey Reclaimed
	New Pavement Steering Group
	New Community Centre Steering Group
	Carlyon Bay Development Representative
	Employment Appeals Panel
	Cornwall Community Flood Forum
	Par Community Association
	Par Skatepark Steering Group.
	Biscovey Board of Trustees.

Adrian Seel -	Planning Officer New Pavement Steering Group Employment Committee
George Allen-	Local Transport Representative Par & Newquay Branch Line Deputy Luxulyan Valley Partnership Representative Employment Committee Saints Awards Representative Burrows Board of Directors Eden Liaison Nature Trails
Rob Blackie-	Burrows Board of Directors Employment Appeals Panel EGS neighbour group.
Richard Heyward-	Tree Warden Luxulyan Valley Partnership Planning Committee New Pavement Steering Group St Blazey/Par Community Flood Group Employment Appeals Panel
George Miller -	Internal Verifier. Community Network Area Representative Employment Committee Burrows Board of Directors CALC representative
Amos Putt -	Footpath/Bridleway/ Cycle ways Hands Together New Pavement Steering Group Cornwall Community Flood Forum Employment Appeals Panel
Doug Scrafton	New Community Centre Steering Group Employment Appeals Panel Fourways Youth Centre Committee Burrows Board of Directors Deputy Carlyon Bay Development Representative St Blazey Community Watch
Roy Taylor	Planning Committee New pavement Steering Group Burrows Board of Directors Employment Appeals Panel
Stuart Wheeler	Press Officer Employment Appeals Panel

New Community Centre Steering Group
Community Network Area Representative
St Blazey Community Watch

1405/05 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 24th April 2014 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

1405/06 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

1405/07 **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 24th APRIL**

1404/07 Councillor Scrafton told the Council that the planning application PA14/1614, demolition of 1 existing dwelling and erection of 44 new dwellings on the land east of Mount Crescent, has yet to be referred to the development control committee. The Planning Officers dealing with the application need further time and so it is expected that the referral will be in either July or August.

1404/09 The Labour Party have contacted us with instructions to lay the base for the seat to be placed towards the top of Middleway. The Council will instruct them to make arrangements and we will pay the invoice.

1404/16 The fencing by the crossing at St Andrews Road that is causing concern may be put to an acceptable condition when work is carried out 3rd to 5th June as some work has been done to remove some of the fencing. If not Councillor Taylor will speak to Highways again.

1405/08 **POLICE CRIME FIGURES**

April 2014

		Detected
Assault	5	2
Burglary dwelling		
Burglary other	5	
Theft of MV		
Criminal Damage to Vehicle		
Theft (Including from m/v)	7	3
Damage	2	
Drugs	1	1
Other	5	1
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>7</u>
<u>April 2013:</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>6</u>

Very little difference in the crime figures compared to the same period last year, which is positive.

TOTAL CALLS/LOGS FOR ST BLAISE APRIL 2014 - 98

1405/09 **COMMUNITY WARDENS REPORT**

Dave Pearce is up to date with all the work in the town. He is finding the strimmer and leaf blowers inadequate for the work now that he has to add the LMP footpaths to his duties. Permission was granted for these to be purchased.

Councillor Anderson said that the weeds on the pavements were a problem. Cornwall Council used to undertake this work but no longer have the budget necessary to continue.

All the Councillors thanked the Warden for his work around the Town especially for the work in the area of the Town Car Park. Many residents have passed on their compliments regarding the Bell Tower and the other areas of the Town that are seen to be looking very much better.

1405/10 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR ROY TAYLOR**

Councillor Taylor added his personal thanks to the Warden.

Councillor Taylor has met with representatives from Cornwall Council and residents from the area surrounding Brooks Corner to discuss the flooding and drainage issues there. Teresa Frost has an idea for a scheme to put a tank underground in Tredenham Close which is being researched.

Councillor Taylor has had numerous conversations regarding the Roundhouse Turntable, DB Shenker have an obligation to keep the turntable in a reasonable condition but not for it to be working. He has spoken with managers of the Bodmin and Wenford Railway who may be able to help with a presentation that could gain funding.

Councillor Taylor would like to see hard plastics recycled but has found that it may not be financially viable and therefore his desires are unlikely to progress.

Councillor Taylor is concerned that the bedroom tax is not working and is assisting a resident in the Town suffering because of the issue.

Councillor Taylor remains concerned about the speeding traffic in Station Road and is persisting with his efforts to have a radar box installed at the end of St Blazey Road where the two roads meet.

1405/11 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR DOUG SCRAFTON**

Councillor Scrafton has met with residents of the Lesnewth area who are concerned about emergency vehicle access during school beginning and finishing times.

Councillor Scrafton has spoken with Cornwall Council representatives who believe that our devolution bids will be considered soon.

1405/12 ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL – GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

Councillor Seel proposed the Town Council adopt the General Power of Competence for 2014-15, Councillor Putt seconded the proposal. All the Council agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1405/13 TO CONSIDER TENDERING FOR THE LAND AT STARRICK MOOR

Councillor Seel proposed that the Town Council do not bid for the land at Starrick Moor, Councillor Taylor seconded the proposal. All the Council agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1405/14 IMPLECATIONS OF LOCALISM AND CORNWALL COUNCIL CUTS

Cornwall Council no longer undertake the weed control on the pavements, it was agreed to have the Warden trained in weed treatment to enable him to undertake this work.

1405/15 SHOULD ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL PAY A CHAIRMANS ALLOWANCE

The Town Council can pay a Chairman's Allowance in addition to a Councillors Allowance to pay extra expenses. Councillor Taylor proposed a figure of £100 which was seconded by Councillor Seel, All the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1405/16 KING EDWARD GARDENS CONSULTATION EVENT

A group of three local people have written to the Council asking for a grant of £250 to enable them to hold an event on the 6th July to consult the residents of the Town to have their say on the future of the Gardens. Councillor Scrafton proposed a grant of £250 which was seconded by Councillor Seel, All the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1405/17 TOWN COUNCILLORS TO ADOPT NEW FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

The Clerk had distributed an amended version of the Councils Financial Regulations allowing for electronic payments. Councillor Seel proposed that the new regulations be adopted and was seconded by Councillor Putt, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1405/18 TOWN COUNCILLORS TO ADOPT NEW A NEW PENSION POLICY

The Clerk had distributed a new pension policy. Councillor Seel proposed that the new regulations be adopted and was seconded by Councillor Putt, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1405/19 **PROJECT LIST**

New Community Centre – The Burrows Board of Directors are busy working on building the centres viable future and therefore funding bids are on hold until the position is clearer.

Neighbourhood Planning – The NP group have had training on objectives which Rob Lacey is now working on and when these are ready the next meeting date will be diarised.

WW1 Anniversary – Councillor Miller has arranged for the unveiling of the plaque and a small reception to take place at the Chapel of Rest on 2nd August at 11.00am. Councillor Allen has arranged for the poppies are to be planted next week and the celebration for the 3rd have had a disappointment as Mount Charles Youth Band are unable to attend. Councillor Miller is looking for a replacement band.

1405/20 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

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

Location: A390 from Bridge Street to Porcupine, Tywardreath Highway, Par
Timing: 5th to 6th June 2014 (2200 to 0600 hours)
Reason: Centurion Site Services - Essential Rail Track Works

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

Location: St Andrews Road, Par
Timing: 3rd to 5th June 2014 (2200 to 0600 hours)
Reason: Centurion Site Services - Essential Rail Track Maintenance Works

The Clerk has been given a letter which was sent to Councillor Putt by a resident who believes that the Bell Towers move to the Station Road car park looks like a “duck up a tree” which was read to the Council. The Clerk will reply informing the resident the reason for its move, highlight that residents were asked and report the in excess of 100 compliments that have been received.

A resident has written complaining that the Football Club car park is being used as a used car showroom. The Clerk will forward these concerns to Cornwall Council.

1405/21 **PLANNING MATTERS**

There has been five planning application received and it was RESOLVED to not object to any of them.

PA14/03223 Installation and service a 58 bedroomed YHA snooze box hostel with a temp 2 year PP to run as a YHA hostel on strawberry car park.
 Eden Project
 Bodelva

- PA14/03170 Application to demolish existing garage and rebuild with infill annex and roof space above both.
16 Rose Hill
St Blazey
- PA14/04025 Application for a zip wire and adventure activity area.
Eden Project
Bodelva
- PA14/03673 Remove Cornish Unit Construction from the external walls and replace internal timber frame, insulation and rebuild external walls in block work finishing with render.
Tanzo, 5 Mount Crescent
St Blazey
- PA14/04138 Proposed extension and general alterations.
Rievaulx
Biscovey Road
St Blazey Gate

Planning Application Results Received

- PA14/02196 Full Planning
Construction of a new two bedrooomed detached dwelling.
Ty Gwedden
The Mount
St Blazey
APPROVED
- PA14/01348 Discharge of conditions
Discharge of condition 3 PA13/03325
Cornish Arms
Church Street
St Blazey
APPROVED
St Blaise Town Council – not consulted
- PA14/02169 Discharge of conditions
Discharge of condition 4 PA13/03325
Cornish Arms
Church Street
St Blazey
APPROVED
St Blaise Town Council – not consulted
- PA14/02390 Retrospective Planning
Conservatory built without Planning Permission
58 Bobs Road
St Blazey
INVALID

1405/22 ALEXANDER HALL

The Clerk has renewed the security alarm contract.

1405/23 ACCOUNTS

May 14

Payments Received

Hall Bookings	294.50
Interest (high)	102.81
Hall Bookings	137.50 4/14
Interest	5.09
Black Sacks	21.00
Eden	3014.40

Expenditure

Broadband	32.84
UK Fuels	32.01
Insurance	202.13
HMRC	475.98
CC (pen)	452.35
Clerks Sal	1307.13
Wardens Wage	520.00
C Biggs	1713.60
Vaughtons	840.30
Eclipse	14.38
W Bailey	72.00
SW Audit	225.00
Icon	90.00
BT	64.80
Wisdom Signs	132.00
Stamps	214.50
Viking	330.98
Wardens Phone	30.00
Foun Elec	16.80
<u>AH</u>	
SWW	89.00
EON	42.00
Cleaners Wage	71.08
Chubb (parts)	12.78
4/14 Chubb (parts)	12.78
<u>PC</u>	
Bus Rates	52.00
Warden	31.00
CIS	51.18
4/14 Electrician	109.20
4/14 SWW	249.95
<u>Shop</u>	
Bus Rates	3014.40
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3,575.30	10,501.77

The Council RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

The Clerk has received the internal auditor's report which suggests the Council up the insurance fidelity guarantee to £250,000. Councillor Seel proposed the change be made to the insurance policy, Councillor Scrafton seconded the proposal. All the Council agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1405/24 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillor Seel thanked Councillor Wheeler for the report on the Community Watch Meeting in this weeks St Austell Voice.

Councillor Blackie raised his concerns regarding the road markings near the roundabout at the Britannia. It was explained that St Blaise Town Council opposed these concerns when they were consulted and after their instigation.

1405/25 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be 26th June 2014 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.57pm.