

MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL
Held at the ALEXANDER HALL, St Blazey, on Thursday 31st January 2008
at 7.30pm.

Present

Councillor J Anderson – Chairperson
 Councillor A Seel – Vice Chairperson

Councillors:

G Miller, D Scrafton, R Heyward, D Goddard, G Allen, D Hooper & A Putt

In attendance: Borough Councillor Taylor
 Borough Councillor Bull
 County Councillor Burley
 Town Clerk
 2 members of the press

0801/01 **APOLOGIES**

No apologies were received.

0801/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 29th November 2007 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

0801/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

0801/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

Minute 0711/13 Councillor Scrafton was pleased with the new notice board outside Alexander Hall.

0801/05 **POLICE CRIME FIGURES**

December	Crimes Detected		Crimes Detected		
Assault	8	3	Vehicle Crime	4	0
Theft	2	0	Theft of M/V	1	0
Damage	8	2	Burglary Dwelling	0	0
Burglary other	2	1	Drugs	0	0
Other	2	2			

TOTAL	27	8			

0801/06 **BOROUGH ITEMS IN THE TOWN**

Councillor Taylor reported that RBC Cabinet are to recommend that the Hanover at Home service which operates from Customs House should continue until March 2009.

Councillor Taylor said that as the footpath from Roselyon to Par Lane which is in need of attention has not been adopted and therefore no action could be taken by RBC. Councillor Taylor suggested that St Blaise Town Council adopt the footpath.

Councillor Taylor told us that he has now been appointed to the interim committee, the committee to liaise between RBC, CCC and the One Cornwall Team. One Cornwall come into affect from April 2009 when there may be new parish/town boundaries in place and an election will follow. The next Town Council election will not be until 2013.

0801/07 **COUNTY ITEMS IN THE TOWN**

A resident of old Roselyon Road has written to Councillor Burley and the Town Council regarding speeding traffic and lack of visibility along their road. Councillor Burley said that there is no money to install speed reduction measures and was not sure what kind would be suitable. The Town Clerk will write to the police as PC Toms has informed us that a formal letter would be pursued.

0801/08 **PAR BEACH**

Councillor Taylor reported that due to public outcry Par Beach would not be sold. If Park Leisure 2000 had purchased the land being sold they had an agreement in place safeguarding its use by the public, once One Cornwall become the Unitary Council for Cornwall, it is unknown what they may decide to do with the land.

0801/09 **MAY 2008 COUNCIL MEETING**

A discussion took place as to whether the May council meeting should be moved as it is scheduled to take place during Festival week. It was agreed to keep the meeting on the date as planned.

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The notes from this meeting were distributed to each Councillor, the Council agreed that these were comprehensive and saw no need for discussion.

0801/11 **FUNDING OF WARDEN SCHEME**

At the Town Council meeting held on 30th March 2006, it was agreed that Town Council funding of the scheme would be conditional on receipt of a set of accounts for the previous year and posters being displayed telling residents how to contact the Wardens.

No posters have been forthcoming and the set of accounts received are not acceptable. Councillor Putt told the Council of the good works of the Wardens and if they ceased it would be a major loss to St Blazey. Councillor Putt proposed that the council should release the 2007/08 funding, Councillor Seel seconded, 4 councillors voted in favour, 2 abstained. It was RESOLVED to release the funding.

Councillor Goddard asked for an amendment and proposed to only release the money once a proper set of accounts had been received. Councillor Miller seconded with a 3rd councillor agreeing. Four Councillors voted against and two abstained.

The Town Clerk will contact Kevin Pearce from Ocean Housing expressing the Councils disappointment at lack of financial information and enforce the Councils condition that a proper set of accounts be received before 2008/09 funding is released.

0801/12 **PAR DOCKS AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS**

St Blaise Town Councillors are extremely disappointed at the lack of information being received about the future of Par Docks. The Clerk has written to Gareth Pinwell who has said that once again he will ask the Area Action Force if the Town Council can be represented at the meetings.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the organisations represented at the Action Force to lobby support. Councillor Hooper requested that the letter also show his concern that St Blazey would be used as a holding centre for waste in the future.

Councillor Seel suggested that Matthew Arthur be contacted again for further information as he has been prepared to speak with us in the past and he is involved as a decision maker.

0801/13 **UNITARY AUTHORITY**

Councillor Taylor informed us that at the last One Cornwall meeting he had attended the decision was made that CALC would keep Town and Parish up to date with news and information.

0801/14 **PROJECT LIST**

Bus Shelters – CCC have awarded us a grant of £2,500 towards the cost of the shelter to be installed outside Doubletrees School. The shelter has been ordered and should be installed within the next few weeks.

A resident has phoned the Clerk and asked if the glass could be replaced in the shelter at Lamellyn, it was decided against due to the recent vandalism at the infant school.

The council have been asked if a bus shelter could be placed outside Kemutec, the Council agreed that the bus stop is well used and permissions would be sought.

Proposed St Blazey Festival—A successful meeting was held on Tuesday 15th January 2008 with a number of groups prepared to participate. The Town Clerk has met with the Health and Safety representative from RBC and he has shown that a concert on the football pitch would be costly and need skills that we do not have. It was decided that the fete on the Saturday would still take place and a scaled down concert to take place in the football club would be more suitable.

Town Car Park—A quote has been sought for re-surfacing the car park and the council agreed to seek quotes to infill the stones that J Foye have placed and clear the overgrowth the other side.

0801/15 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk asked the Council their views on disposing of the old computer. It was RESOLVED that Councillor Seel would take possession of it for a small donation.

The Cornwall Association of Local Councils Annual Conference will be held on Saturday 9th February at New County Hall, it was RESOLVED that the Clerk will attend at a cost of £10.00.

The Clerk read the council a letter from RBC about PHYTOPHTHORA (Sudden Oak Death) affecting Luxulyan Valley.

The Clerk asked if the Councillors could think about the Good and Youth Citizen Awards as this would be an agenda item for February.

The Clerk told the Council about the Cornwall County Fire Brigade IRMP Service Plan 2008/09 Consultation and how to give their responses and feedback.

The Clerk told the Council that a copy of Restormel Citizens Advice Annual Report was available in the office.

The Clerk read the a Road Traffic Regulation to take place in PAR LANE, ST BLAZEY GATE from 11TH FEBRUARY 2008 for 3 MONTHS for SEWER MAINS WORK

0801/16 **PLANNING MATTERS**

There had been thirteen planning application received. It was RESOLVED to not object to eleven of them.

07/01965

Full Planning

Proposed rear conservatory and loft conversion to include dormer extension at 1st floor level.

Poppies, St Blazey Road

St Blazey

- 07/01973 Full Planning (Amended)
Proposed garage (retrospective amended design)
Karbala, Prideaux Road
St Blazey
- 07/01977 Full Planning
Balcony to 1st floor elevation
Chy an Gwyn, Old Roselyon Road
St Blazey
- 07/01984 Full Planning
Extend existing dwelling by converting outbuilding
The Studio, St Blazey Road
Par
- 07/02030 Full Planning
Construction of two storey dwelling with double garage
64 Old Roselyon Road
St Blazey
- 07/02042 Full Planning
Change of use from laundry area/storage building to laundry
room and 2 bedrooms.
Highland Court Lodge, Biscovey Road
Par
- 07/02044 Full Planning
UPVC conservatory to rear and new door to side of 35
Trenovissick Road.
35 Trenovissick Road
St Blazey
- 07/02073 Full Planning
Proposed Kitchen/Porch extension and new garage.
1 Aberdeen Close
St Blazey
- 08/00011 Full Planning
Removal of existing outbuilding and erection of double garage
and car port.
22 Doubletrees
St Blazey

It was RESOLVED to object to two of them

07/01935 Full Planning
Proposed 4 bed roomed house with garage
Plot 2A, Uplands
The Mount
Par

07/02115 Full Planning
4 new flats to be built on site of burnt out shop and former
residential flats.
24 Fore Street
St Blazey

The Clerk will write to RBC Planning Department about applications 07/01973 and 07/02030 now that further information has been received.

Planning Application results received

07/01121 Full Planning – Conversion of clay dry into 4 letting flats +
managers flat
Wheal Rashleigh Dry
GRANT PERMISSION

07/01589 Full Planning – Kitchen Extension
144 Manor View
GRANT PERMISSION

07/01614 Listed Building Consent – General Maintenance
Travis Perkins
GRANT CONSENT

07/01622 Full Planning – Conservatory and loft conversion
Poppies, St Blazey Road
WITHDRAWN

07/01729 Full Planning/Change of use – Laundrette to takeaway
10 Harbour Road
GRANT PERMISSION

07/01812 Full Planning – Proposed new dwelling
54 Old Roselyon Road
WITHDRAWN

07/01965 Full Planning – Conservatory and loft conversion
Poppies, St Blazey Road
GRANT PERMISSION

07/01973	Full Planning (Amended) – Proposed garage retrospective Karbala, Prideaux Road GRANT PERMISSION
07/01977	Full Planning – Balcony to 1 st Floor elevation Chy An Gwyn, Old Roselyon Road GRANT PERMISSION
07/01986	Full Planning – Conservatory 15 Bobs Road WITHDRAWN

0801/17 **ALEXANDER HALL**

The hall has been decorated and there have been problems with heating which are now resolved.

0801/18 **ACCOUNTS**

December

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Hall Bookings	988.00	Insurance	120.24
Interest	345.43 11/07	Council Tax	76.00
Interest	329.02	Water	40.50
Hog Roast	69.00	SWEB	55.00
LMP	172.80	Inland Revenue	176.45
		CCC	249.14
		Clerks Salary	691.71
		Chris Biggs	190.76
		Imerys Male Voice Choir	250.00
		Mount Charles Youth Band	250.00
		Hog Roast	275.00
		Ordnance survey Map	33.49
		Postage	44.00
		Cleaning Materials	20.15
		Mulled Wine and Mince Pies	149.77
		Stationery	20.29
		Advertising	17.63
		Members Allowance	540.00
		Shaw and Sons	15.95
		Cleaner	96.04
		Broadband	17.99

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January

<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
Hall Bookings 1016.50	Insurance 120.24
	Council Tax 76.00
	Water 40.50
	SWEB 55.00
	Broadband 17.99
	Inland Revenue 121.48
	CCC 163.36
	Clerks Salary 691.51
	Cleaner 74.52
	Somerfield 433.90
	St Austell Glass Supplies 88.12
	R Morshead 430.00
	Greenbarnes 1130.17
	Peter Farry 40.00
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1016.50	3482.79

The Council RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

0801/19 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillor Putt asked if the purchase of another set of lights for St Blazey Church could be put on a future agenda.

Councillor Putt suggested that at future Carol Concerts, the Hog Roast should be free; this will be added to a future agenda.

Councillor Putt reported that the two lights at the back of Alexander Hall belonging to Somerfield's are not working correctly, the Town Clerk will report this. A light the other side of the bridge from Somerfield's to Polgrean is not working. Councillor Putt will report this to Highways.

Councillor Putt asked if the Clerk could contact Highways as there is no pavement in some areas of New Road, he believes this is unacceptable and if not addressed an accident will happen.

Councillor Seel reminded the Councillors that the next meeting of Festive8 will be at Alexander Hall on 26th February at 7.15pm.

Councillor Miller reported that he has nearly completed his research of the war dead from the names at St Blazey Church but has now found another plaque at St Mary's Biscovey with a further 68 names. He was informed that the plaque which was in the Sunday School in Station Road is now at Leek Seed Chapel.

Councillor Heyward told the Council that Radio St Austell Bay went live on Monday 28th January 2008 and can be found on 105.6fm

Councillor Scrafton was disappointed to see that RBC had arranged workshops to discuss financial assistance, training opportunities and future career prospects to be held at St Dennis, Nanpean, St Stephen and Roche but not in St Blazey. Imerys redundancies have affected a great deal of the residents of St Blazey and felt that a workshop in the town would have been desirable. The Town clerk has phoned and discussed this with them and has been informed that they will suggest this at the Area Action Force meeting to be held on 8th February 2008.

~~0801/21 PART TWO - ITEMS OF CONFIDENTIAL NATURE TO BE DEBATED IN ABSENCE OF PUBLIC~~ Agenda Item 10 (Admin Meeting)

1. To resolve to exclude the press and public for an item of confidential nature.

It was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public.

2. Co-option of Town Councillors.

After discussion it was RESOLVED to co-opt Michael Gill to the Town Council

0801/21 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be 28th February 2008 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.45pm.