

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL
Held at the ALEXANDER HALL, St Blazey, on Thursday 26th June 2014**

Present

Councillor J Anderson – Mayor
Councillors A Seel – Deputy Mayor

Councillors:

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

In attendance: Town Clerk
Cornwall Cllr R Taylor (incl above)
Cornwall Cllr D Scrafton (incl above)
Community Warden
1 member of the public

Before the meeting began June Martin, a representative from “Protect Our Valleys” spoke to the Council about Planning Application PA14/05070 for a commercial wind turbine at Polharmon Farm. The group have been formed to prepare a formal response to the application.

The device is longer than a jumbo jet and higher than Truro Cathedral, many of the residents from the surrounding villages currently enjoy the scenery around the location but only Tywardreath Parish Council are consultee’s. The Council were asked to put a consultee comment to Cornwall Council.

1406/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor George Allen.

1406/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 29th May 2014 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

1406/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

1406/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

1405/14 The Warden is expecting to receive 3 day pesticide training course at Notter Bridge Training Centre on 23rd, 24th and 25th July at a cost of £350 + vat.

1406/05 **POLICE CRIME FIGURES****May 2014**

		Detected
Assault	2	1
Burglary dwelling	1	
Burglary other	2	
Theft of MV		
Criminal Damage to Vehicle	1	
Theft (including from M/V)	3	1
Damage	1	1
Drugs		
Other	7	1
TOTAL:	17	4
May 2013:	29	10

TOTAL CALLS/LOGS FOR ST BLAISE May 2014 – 65

A significant decline in the crime figures compared to the same month last year which is positive.

1406/06 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR ROY TAYLOR**

Councillor Taylor told the Council that the radar box which was installed in St Blazey Road showed that there is not enough speeding traffic to justify a flasher being introduced.

In addition to Councillor Taylors county council duties, he had chaired a Burrows Centre Board Meeting, chaired the Fourways AGM and been re-elected as Chairman, attended both a Community Flood Recovery meeting and a Cornwall Flood Forum. He had attended with our Mayor a meeting with the Cornwall Council affordable housing team and an SK8 meeting.

Councillor Taylor had attended the Hands Together AGM and told the Councillors there is to be a FUNDAY at Penarwyn on Friday 16th August.

Councillor Taylor and Councillor Scrafton will be meeting with Teresa Frost next week to discuss traffic issues in Par Lane. Both Councillors had attended a Social Enterprise Meeting on behalf of PBBL. Councillor Taylor will next weekend go to Germany on an educational visit to find out more about Geothermal Energy.

1406/07 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR DOUG SCRAFTON**

Councillor Scrafton told the Council that he had not received any further information regarding the Town Councils devolution bid. He had attended the poppy planting on June 4th and hoped that the Town Council would like to spread the poppy seeds further in future years. Councillor Scrafton along with several of the St Blaise Town Councillors had attended the service at Par St Mary's Methodist Church to mark the

150th Anniversary. He had attended a meeting of St Austell Bay Economic Forum, Fourways AGM and committee meeting, attended Carlyon Bay Liaison Group.

1406/08 **COMMUNITY WARDENS REPORT**

Dave Pearce is up to date with all footpath maintenance and will be re-strimming the footpaths close to Biscovey School next week. There has been a noticeable reduction in the amount of dog fouling and he is being challenged by the welcome stones as he can't do the job he would like to because of the Poppy seeds.

1406/09 **TO APPOINT A REPRESENTATIVE TO BISCOVEY ACADEMY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Councillor Seel nominated Councillor Anderson to represent the Council to the Biscovey Academy of Trustees, Councillor Heyward seconded the nomination, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1406/10 **ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL TO CONSIDER CONTRIBUTING TO REGENERATION FUNDING**

Cornwall Councillors Scrafton and Taylor have looked at the regeneration prospects for the St Austell Bay area with Tom French and Officers from Cornwall Council. They have had discussions with Cornwall Development Company who will liaise with local businesses and identify projects that could benefit from the £590 million Cornwall could get from European funding. The development company estimate the cost of their research to be between £15,000 and £17,000.

The Environment Agency have looked at the area and are prepared to give the project £5,000, PBBL have also pledged £10,000. All the local Councils will be asked to contribute also.

Councillors Scrafton and Taylor left the room.

Councillor Seel proposed that the Town Council give the scheme £400 if additional funds are needed, Councillor Putt seconded the proposal, 1 Councillor abstained but all the remaining Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1406/11 **CORNWALL AIR AMBULANCE APPEAL FOR LANDING SITES**

Councillor Wheeler knows that Cornwall Air Ambulance are actively looking for night landing sites for the Air Ambulance and asked the Councillors for suggestion of places in St Blaise that could be used. The Football Club field, the Cricket Club field, Penarwyn Green, Par Docks, Biscovey Academy School field and Cornish Market World Car Park were all suggested. Councillor Wheeler will liaise with them.

1406/12 **TRAILBLAZER PARK**

PBBL are not prepared to assist with the painting costs of Trail Blazer Park, Councillor Putt proposed that the Town Council accept the quote from Cornwall

Council Environmental Services of £1784 and proceed with the work. Councillor Scrafton seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1406/13 **PROJECT LIST**

Burrows Centre – Councillor Taylor told the Council that the Business Rates demand has been significantly reduced due to Small Business Relief and discretionary Relief. A lot of the problems are being resolved and they seem the situation appears to be looking brighter.

Neighbourhood Planning – The Neighbourhood Planning Team have submitted a bid for funding and will be meeting on July 7th. Councillor Anderson told the council of PBBL offer to take over full control of the lease but allow the Neighbourhood Planning team full consultation use.

WW1 Anniversary – The plaque will be placed inside the Chapel of Rest and an unveiling service will take place on 2nd August at 11.00am. The service will be at Par Running Track on 3rd August at 3.00 pm.

Councillor Miller asked the Council for a fund to pay the Carpenter to place the plaque, Councillor Blackie proposed £250, Councillor Scrafton seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

The Bell Tower – It was agreed that the Clerk would liaise with Par Old Cornwall Society to arrange a plaque for the entrance to the Car Park.

1406/14 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk asked the Council how they would like to respond to the Wind Turbine application discussed earlier, Councillor Taylor said there is to be a site meeting and a Public meeting and therefore it was agreed that all Councillors would respond individually if they so choose.

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

Location: Road from Edgecombe Road to Sans Lane, Kilhallon, Par
Timing: 21st to 23rd July 2014 (24 hours)
Reason: May Gurney on behalf of SWW - Sluice Valve Replacement Works

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Speed Restriction

Location: North East Distribution Road, St Austell (junction of Holmbush Road and the Carclaze Inn)
Timing: 20th July to 9th August 2014 (24 hours weekends included)
Reason: CORMAC Solutions Ltd - Resurfacing Works

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

Location: North East Distribution Road, St Austell (junction of Holmbush Road and Trethowe)
Timing: 20th July to 9th August 2014 (1900 to 0700 hours weekends included)
Reason: CORMAC Solutions Ltd - Resurfacing Works

1406/15 **PLANNING MATTERS**

There has been eight planning application received and it was RESOLVED to object to two of them.

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| PA14/01728 | Change of use
Of a small paddock to be included under the campsite license. We have been using this location since 1999 during the eclipse. The area also has a small toilet and shower facility which was converted from an old stable block in 2010.
East Crinnis Holiday Park
East Crinnis Farm
St Blazey |
| PA14/04913 | Change of Use
Former Hairdressers salon to flat
From this day forward
106 Par Lane
St Blazey |
| PA14/03966 | Installation of a wood burning stove
The Old Market House
Fore Street
St Blazey |
| PA14/03465 | Outline Application
Construction of a single storey dwelling
Pine Trees
Sea View Terrace
St Blazey |
| PA14/05740 | Demolition of existing house and construction of a new house in a different position on the site, using same access with enlarged parking area and improved access visibility.
Colaba
Prideaux Road
St Blazey |
| PA14/05766 | Listed Building Consent
Application for proposed roof renewal to all elevations
Par Inn
Harbour Road
Par |

It was RESOLVED to Object To:-

PA14/04348 Construction of proposed dwelling and integral garage
Land Adjacent To 5 The Lawn
St. Blazey

The Lawns is an unmade up road which is suffering from flooding erosion
As the road is not made up we are concerned about Traffic Congestion

PA14/1614 Full Planning
Demolition of 1 existing dwelling and erection of 44 New
Dwellings, associated Highway and Landscape Works together
with provision of Open Space and associated infrastructure.
Land East of Mount Crescent
The Mount
St Blazey

Access - The access is from Mount Crescent which is a very small cul-de-sac, off Manor Road which again is restricted in width where often two cars have difficulty passing and could not cope with increased traffic.

Flooding - The new dwellings are to be built on land that acts as a sponge which would increase the run off into the land below (Harbour Road) which already suffers badly in wet weather and many of the local premises have suffered in recent years. There is a lack of drainage in the area.

Clause - The local residents are concerned that the foundations of their homes will be affected by the heavy traffic in the area.

Traffic whilst building - the traffic during the build will not be able to access the site from Mount Crescent or Mount Road as neither are wide enough, could another access be created.

The Clerk has received a letter with information regarding application PA14/01614 being reported to the Planning Committee for decision at 10.00am on 7th July 2014.

1406/16 ACCOUNTS

June 14

Payments Received

Hall Bookings	402.50
Interest (high)	125.07
WPD	12.11
VAT refund	3698.91
Interest	4.93

Expenditure

Broadband	34.99
UK Fuels	57.36
Insurance	
HMRC	474.18
CC (pen)	452.35
Clerks Sal	1307.33
Wardens Wage	580.00
DLH	124.00
Grant Thornton	360.00
Eclipse	14.38

	W Bailey	25.49
	Grahams	1040.00
	PD Hire	28.20
	<u>AH</u>	
	SWW	89.00
	EON	42.00
	Cleaners Wage	74.48
	Chubb (parts)	12.78
	SE	157.76
	Security Alarm	154.66
	<u>PC</u>	
	Bus Rates	52.00
	Warden	30.00
	CIS	48.41
	Plumbase	22.48
	Wallgate	508.80
	<u>Shop</u>	
	BT	163.77
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All the Councillors RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

1406/17 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Cllr Seel told the Council that the Architects that have been acting for the Football Club on their Gym extension plans will no longer be doing so.

Cllr Putt asked if the Warden could look after the planters whilst the resident who usually takes on this responsibility is on holiday. The Council agreed.

Cllr Putt asked if the resident that had put in a lot of hard assisting him with the entrance could be rewarded. The Council agreed.

Cllr Wheeler is concerned about the cars that park at the entrance to Old Roselyon Road, Councillor Seel suggested speaking to the PCSO's. Councillor Taylor said that there was no member's budget presently for yellow lines and that legal fees to have them installed would be over £4,000.

Councillor Anderson told the Councillors that the boat on the A390 was to be planted next Thursday and that the children from Doubletrees School would like to assist. The Councillors agreed that this was an excellent idea.

1406/18 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on 31st July 2014 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55pm.