

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL  
Held at St Blazey Community Rooms, St Blazey, on Thursday  
26<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

**Present**

Mayor – T Nethercott  
Deputy Mayor – J Anderson

**Councillors**

A Pearce, K Simms, R Taylor, F Wearne and C Williams.

**In attendance:** Town Clerk  
Cornwall Councillor Giles

2301/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor D Brock.

2301/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

2301/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

2301/04 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER  
2022**

2211/07 Cornwall Councillor Giles corrected the statement that only Conservative Councillors would decide on a Mayor for Cornwall, all 87 Cornwall Councillors would have the decision not just the Conservative Councillors if a referendum failed to take place.

2301/05 **COMMUNITY WARDEN'S REPORT**

The Warden has been busy clearing footpaths and drains, ensuring the grit bins have enough salt.

2301/06 **REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR PAULINE GILES**

I have spoken to a resident who lives on the Green at St Marys Road regarding outstanding maintenance which have liaised with Cormac and await a reply.

I have negotiated a new bus stop for the 24 bus which runs to and from Lostwithiel outside St Blazey Post Office. This will assist those without transport and OAP's wanting banking services, light shopping and a connection to the bus going onwards to Par and Fowey from the bus stop outside the football club. I will confirm a start date online and via a poster.

I have been working on the warm hub provision within our network panel area. Cornubia are open Monday, Wednesday and Fridays noon to 2 pm providing lunches for £1.50. Lostwithiel Community Centre Café is open Monday to Saturdays from 10 am. As there being nowhere on a Sunday, I have donated funds from my Councillors Community Chest to St Blazey Railway Club (GWRSA) who are to open from noon to 3 pm on Sundays and will provide a small roast for £6.95 and can be delivered at 12.30 pm. Teas and coffees will be provided on site and will be free of charge. This service will commence Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup>. To order in advance please call 01726 813098.

The national Lottery has funding available up to £10,000 for events and activities through the National Lottery for All Programme. It will take up to 12 weeks from application submission to the receipt of funding so applications need to be made by mid-February.

I ask that you all read the devolution document and complete the consultation document which was released on December 16<sup>th</sup> 2022. Consultation closes 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022. Full Council will consider the merits of holding a referendum on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023. July 23 Full council will consider and note whether to accept the deal. 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024 alongside local elections a mayor will be elected if Cornwall Council accept the deal. To have this, we would have to have a Mayor that would replace the leader of the Council.

The deal promises more power to Cornwall, £390,000,000 additional funding over 30 years to help build skills as we cannot rely on tourism and we need to keep youths local. It will also allow the use of brownfield sites for housing.

I urge everyone to subscribe to the Cornwall Council online Newsletter as this will keep you up to date just google search Cornwall Council Newsletter and enter your details.

#### 2301/07 **IMPLICATIONS OF CORNWALL COUNCIL CUTS AND LOCALISM**

See 2301/14 Play area Update - Penarwyn Green.

#### 2301/08 **LVP REPRESENTATIVE**

The Clerk asked if any of the Councillors would be prepared to become the Luxulyan Valley Partnership Representative, Councillor Williams volunteered to take on the role until the Annual meeting.

2301/09 **TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL GRIT BINS**

The Clerk has been asked if a grit bin could be placed on Old Roselyon Road and Polgover Way. The area has been assessed and there is a suitable place to site one on Polgover Way but not Old Roselyon Road. Councillor Anderson proposed that if the resident would take responsibility for letting the Council know when it is needed to be refilled it should be installed, Councillor Taylor seconded the proposal, all the Councillors agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

2301/10 **PROJECT LIST**

**Neighbourhood Planning**

Gemma Hankins has started looking at the plan today to rescreen for SEA/HRA and provide policy feedback. This involves consultation with Historic England, Natural England and the Environment Agency as well as with various internal departments, which takes up to 6 weeks. We can expect to hear back by mid-February.

**Youth Council.**

The Clerk has written to local schools and youth organisations about enlisting candidates and the majority suggest flyers and posters so this will begin shortly.

**Community Event**

The Community Event is to be held in King Edward Gardens on May 7<sup>th</sup> to co-inside with the Coronation. Councillor Pearce has enlisted a band who will play an assortment of music and will also accept requests. They will play for expenses only.

The event will be a picnic whilst listening to music and will bring people together. The residents will be asked to bring food to be shared. Councillor Nethercott will speak to local organisations to see if any are prepared to donate provisions.

Councillors will look into having a cake made that could be shared and the provision of some refreshments.

**Councillors Surgery.**

It was agreed that the next Councillors Surgery would be held on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February at St Blazey Community Rooms. The second surgery will be attended by Councillor Tony Nethercott.

2301/11 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

The GDPR Committee met earlier today and reported all effective systems are in place.

The Speed camera in Station Road recorded that 65.70% of incoming vehicles, down from 66.2% are above the speed limit and 77.55% down from 78.85% of outgoing traffic is above the speed limit.

The Clerk asked the Council if she could make the bookings for the Carol Concert to be held on December 10<sup>th</sup> 2023. Permission was given.

Tamar Toll Action Group are reaching out to all MPs, Cornwall and Plymouth Council and all Town Councils and Parish Councils in Cornwall to help gain support for their campaign to abolish the tolls on the Tamar Bridge and Ferry. St Blaise Town Council agreed to support.

A resident of Cornhill Road has asked if we could add the road to the Highways Scheme for a 20 MPH speed limit. It was agreed that this would be put forward if it is not recognised as a residential area as Cornwall has plans to make all residential roads 20 MPH.

The Clerk told the Councillors that the Burrows Centre Directors have agreed to rent the Hall to Bright Eyes on a month to month basis due to bookings not returning since Covid.

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

Location: Par Surfacing Works

Timing: 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023 to 4<sup>th</sup> April (24 hours)

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

Location: Station Road, St Blazey

Timing: 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023 to 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023 (24 hours) – e/emails sent and sign displayed.

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

Location: Station Road, St Blazey

Timing: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 to 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 (09:30 to 16:00)

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

Location: Station Road, St Blazey

Timing: 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 to 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (24 hours)

#### **Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, S.16Ac**

Location: Station Road, St Blazey

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

Time: 18:00 to 19:00 hours

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

Location: St Blazey to Eden

Timing: 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023 to 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 (19:00 to 06:00 hours)

2301/12 **PLANNING MATTERS**

There have been Six planning applications received and it was RESOLVED to not object to five of them.

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| PA22/10232               | Proposed barn conversion Extensions and remodelling<br>To form self contained accommodation.<br>Trenovissick Farm<br>The Mount  |
| PA22/10371<br>PA22/10372 | Planning Application<br>Listed Building Consent<br>Construction of eight new dwellings; provision of vehicular access road, vehicular parking, external amenity garden spaces; construction of commercial building with kitchen to ground floor and letting rooms to first floor.<br>Demolition of existing single-storey extension and replacement with new single-storey pub restaurant extension; demolition of section of boundary wall and out-building; renovation and alteration and repair to listed building.<br>The Packhorse Inn and land West of The Packhorse Inn<br>Fore Street<br>St Blazey. |
| PA22/11441               | Proposed New Dwelling, Access and Associated Works.<br>Land North of An Skyber.<br>The Mount<br>St Blazey   |
| PA22/09809               | Two storey extension to rear of property.<br>295 Manor View<br>St Blazey  |

It was RESOLVED to object to.

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| PA22/09345 | Demolition of Double Garage and workshop and erection of a 2 bed bungalow<br>Land North of 87 Station Road<br>St Blazey |
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Results Received.

### 2301/13 **REPORTS ON COUNCIL BUILDINGS**

#### **St Blazey Public Toilets -**

The Public Conveniences remain open daily and are cleaned weekdays.

#### **Alexander Hall**

The Clerk has had the ladies and the disabled toilets repaired due to leaks.

#### **St Blazey Community Rooms**

An Art Group has made a regular weekly booking.

#### **June Anderson Hall**

The hall is being well used, posters for a new cleaner have been put up.

### 2301/14 **PLAY AREA UPDATES**

Deeble Drive – Play inspections and ground maintenance is up to date.

Penarwyn Green – Play inspections and ground maintenance is up to date. Cornwall Council will be charging us £160.49 for bin emptying for 2022-23. They have told us that the bin will become St Blaise TCs, but they can't just give it to us as they will have to replace this in their stock of bins and have to charge us a one-off replacement fee to do this. The one-off payment is: £573.33.

The Council believed that the bin had become ours as part of the devolution of the park, Cornwall Councillor Giles will ask them to reconsider as to ask the Town Council to purchase the decrepit old bin that's onsite is disgraceful.

Polgover Way – Sovereign have still not re-fitted the Rota Net. Play inspections and ground maintenance is up to date.

Trail Blazer Park – The Clerk received information regarding an invitation to bid for levelling funding and then enquired further to see if this could be used for Trail Blayser Park. If we introduce something different then we could apply and so the Clerk asked for quotes to replace some of our equipment, take out the basketball net and install an outside gym.

Unfortunately this quote has not been received however the Councillors gave the Clerk permission to continue with the bid.

Sometime over Christmas several fires had taken place and one of the seats is badly burnt.

2301/15 ACCOUNTS

December 22

**Payments Received**

Hall Hire	720.00
Interest	13.88
Burrows Electric	311.92
High Deposit Int	62.60
JA Hire	600.00
LMP	457.97

**Expenditure**

Clerks Wage	2259.24
Wardens Wage	776.47
Wardens Wage	784.07
Broadband	22.00
UK Fuels	90.62
Co All	1058.80
Insurance	360.04
HMRC	860.31
CC (Pen)	591.07
DP Gift	100.00
Fountain Elec	28.85
Storage gift	18.40
St Austell GC	21.87
Warden equip	11.99
Fountain Water	16.31
Carol Ser Ref	42.50
MC Band	300.00
Van Tax	290.00
Van Mot	40.00
SLCC	141.80
X mas Trees	-5.00
Stationery	140.21
Cumbrian Clk Co	198.00
Admin	40.00
Burrows Electric	311.92
<u>AH</u>	
Chubb (parts)	15.38
Corona (Gas)	166.42
Corona (Elec)	56.39
SWW	55.00
Cleaners Wage	19.24
Repair	210.00
<u>PC</u>	
Electric	16.46
Locking	40.00
<u>Community Rooms</u>	
Electric	43.05
Business Rates	104.00
Water	
<u>JA Hall</u>	
Water	
Electric	65.96
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2,166.37	9,291.37

January 23

**Payments Received**

Hall Hire	620.00
Interest	25.94
Burrows Re-charge	258.79
High Deposit Int	75.74
JA Hire	300.00
J Foye	100.00

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1,380.47

**Expenditure**

Clerks Wage	1714.75
Wardens Wage	776.47
Wardens Wage	784.07
Broadband	22.33
UK Fuels	104.83
Insurance	360.04
HMRC	1407.19
CC (Pen)	836.89
Fountain Elec	30.14
Walter Bailey	107.86
E-bay	3.99
<u>AH</u>	
Water	55.00
Chubb (parts)	15.32
Corona (Gas)	130.80
Corona (Elec)	52.17
Cleaners Wage	11.85
<u>PC</u>	
Electric	34.47
Locking	40.00
<u>Community Rooms</u>	
Electric	98.59
Business Rates	104.00
<u>JA Hall</u>	
Electric	67.82

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6,760.01

All the Councillors RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

**2301/16 TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillors Nethercott will be attending a meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> February to discuss the future of the Community Network Panel areas.

Councillor Anderson told the Council that the Fountain Triangle is currently being tarmaced and plants would soon be put in the flower beds. The Clerk asked which constituted body would be responsible for future maintenance. Councillor Anderson will investigate.

Councillor Simms reported that there had been a gas leak and during repairs it was found that many of the Gas lines needed repair as were much of the water pipes. Residents had had some spells without heating.

Councillor Wearne told the Council that she longer worked for CN4C.  
Councillor Pearce told the Councillors that the houses on the A390 before the Brit had suffered some flooding, investigations as to where the water is coming from is underway. Whilst visiting the homes affected she couldn't help but notice the amount of speeding vehicles on the A390.

Councillor Pearce will be working with Fern Blackwell from the EA and hopes to re-invigorate the Flood Group.

Councillor Pearce is concerned about the amount of anti-social behaviour in the Polgrean area and is hoping that the return of a police presence will improve this.

Councillor Pearce asked if the Council had been informed about the replacement Skate Park at Lamellyn Road. Cornwall Councillor Giles will investigate.

**PART TWO- ITEMS OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE TO BE DEBATED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PUBLIC as per Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) ACT 1960.**

2301/17 **CO-OPTION OF A NEW TOWN COUNCILLOR**

1. To resolve to exclude the press and public for items of a confidential nature.

It was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public.

2. Co-option of a Town Councillor.

No applications had been received.

The Clerk was instructed to advertise in the local press.

2301/18 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 at 7.30pm at St Blazey Community Rooms.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.01 pm.