

Councillors: M Snowdon (Chairman)
E L Wilkes (Vice-Chairman)

N S Ferris, Mrs B Hulme, Mrs C Hutchings, J Langan, Mrs M K May, G K Mockett,
M J Mullins, Mrs S Peters and G C Rickard

47. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Mrs M V Bennett,
Mrs G A Grant, K S Green, D A Pryn and V Tullin.

48. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs M A May declared a non-registrable interest in Agenda No. 4 (Town and
Country Planning Applications) in relation to Application No. PA13/01678 as her
daughter owned a bed and breakfast establishment in Penryn.

49. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 FEBRUARY 2013

RESOLVED that Minute Nos. 42 to 46 of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on
18 February 2013 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Proposed by Councillor E L Wilkes and seconded by Councillor J Langan

50. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PA13/00980 - Land adjacent to 1 Dunstan Close, Penryn

The Committee was presented with the plans and the Chairman advised that Cornwall
Council has received seven letters of objection from residents of Dunstan Close and
Calver Close and that there were no objections from highways officers. During debate,
concerns were raised regarding the mass and siting of the proposed development and its
effect on neighbouring properties.

RESOLVED that the Town Council objects to this application on the grounds that it is
detrimental to the amenity of the host building due to the overbearing nature and
potential overshadowing of the proposed development. The Town Council also
considers it will have an unacceptable impact on the amenity of 9 Dunstan Close in
terms of the potential overshadowing of the property from the proposed development.

Proposed by Councillor N S Ferris and seconded by Councillor G K Mockett

Councillor Mrs M K May requested that her name be recorded as abstaining from voting
on the above decision.

PA13/01558 – Land at College Farm, Penryn

The Committee was presented with a plan of the site showing the location of the affected trees. The Chairman advised that there were no objections from the Tree Officer.

RESOLVED that the Town Council has no objections.

Proposed by Councillor E L Wilkes and seconded by Councillor Mrs M K May

PA13/01678 – Former Cornwall Motor Auctions Site, Station Road, Penryn

The Town Clerk advised that the applicant wished to remove Condition 2 attached to decision notice C1/PA01/0797/09/M to allow use during the 11 weeks of summer by academics other than those solely connected with the combined university, as the freeholder needed to use the building financially during those 11 weeks. During debate, it was commented that the developer had accepted the condition when the original permission had been granted.

RESOLVED that the Town Council objects to the removal of this condition. The conditions were accepted by the developer when permission was granted and there has been no evidence provided that there has been a change in circumstances to warrant the lifting of the condition. The Town Council also takes into account the pressure on parking in the vicinity from which the 11 week summer break gives local residents a welcome respite.

Proposed by Councillor M J Mullins and seconded by Councillor G K Mockett

Having earlier declared a non-registrable interest in the above application, Councillor Mrs M K May left the meeting for the duration of the item and did not take part in the debate or the vote.

51. DECISION NOTICES

The list of decision notices was noted.

52. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 1 of the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items by reasons of the confidential nature of the items. Proceedings, apart from any resolutions passed, shall remain confidential.

Proposed by Councillor E L Wilkes and seconded by Councillor Mrs M K May

53. TOWN HALL CLOCK TOWER

The Town Clerk had been requested at a previous meeting to obtain three quotations for the erection of scaffolding on the Town Hall clock tower to investigate the problems with leakage and these were provided at the meeting. However, it was suggested that an alternative solution might be the use of a scissor lift or cherry picker. The Town Clerk advised that the situation was becoming crucial as the wedding season was due to start

in mid-May. The general consensus was that there was insufficient time to erect scaffolding and complete any necessary work before the middle of May and therefore it would be preferable to wait until after the wedding season. It was agreed that the problem needed to be resolved and therefore it was suggested that the Town Clerk be delegated to carry out further investigations and to resolve the matter in the most efficient and cost-effective way.

RESOLVED that authority be delegated to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman of the Planning Committee and the Cornwall Councillor for Penryn West, to carry out further investigations into the causes and solutions to the problem with leakage in the Town Hall clock tower in the most efficient and cost-effective way possible, with a view to carrying out any necessary remedial works at the end of the wedding season.

There being no further relevant business the meeting was declared closed at 8.10 p.m.

Chairman