

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF PENRYN HELD ON MONDAY 17 DECEMBER 2018 AT 7.00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, PENRYN

Councillors

Mrs S K Peters (Town Mayor)

Mrs M V Bennett, D Edwards, Dr J Garrett, Ms R L Holden, J Langan, Mrs H May, Mrs M K May, C Mullins, K Ruby, M Snowdon, Mrs J Tucker

In Attendance

Helen Perry (Town Clerk)

Robert Oliver (Finance Officer)

Councillor J Symonds – Cornwall Councillor, Penryn East and Mylor

Prior to the start of the meeting the Town Mayor introduced Councillor Kurt Ruby, who has been elected to represent the ward of Penryn East.

120. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Cant (ill), G Rickard (away) and C K Wenmoth (ill).

121. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor M Snowdon declared a non-registerable interest agenda item no. 13 planning applications, for application PA18/06547 as he is a close personal friend of the applicant

Councillor Mrs H May declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in agenda item no. 13 planning application, for application PA18/10676 as she is the owner of the property. Councillor Mrs H May also declared an interest in agenda item no. 17 Community Grants, for the request received from Penryn Gymnastics as her children are members of the club.

122. DISPENSATIONS

There were no requests for dispensations.

123. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mary Weston, local resident, attended the meeting and was permitted to speak and spoke on Agenda No. 8 Red Box Project.

The Red Box Project is a scheme where donations can be made of sanitary items for young ladies, to prevent the loss of education due to being unable to afford sanitary items. Items collected within the area remain in the area e.g. donated to the schools.

124. MINUTES

RESOLVED that minutes 98 to 119 of the meeting of the Council held on 5 November 2018 be approved and signed as a correct record.

Proposed by Councillor Ms R L Holden and seconded by Councillor C Mullins

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 19 November 2018 were noted. Councillor M Snowdon requested that his name be added to the minutes under apologies as he had tendered his apologies via another Councillor.

The minutes of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group held on 14 November 2018 were noted.

125. CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Clerk reported:

- Road Closures – an intention notice has been received to close Quay Hill, Broad Street, Lower Market Street, Higher Market Street, West Street, West End and Treliever Road between the hours of 9am to 3:30pm from Monday 7 January to 25 January 2019 to enable repairs to the roads to take place.
- Reminder: Commercial Road Enforcement – the correct signage and road markings are now in place in Commercial Road, therefore enforcement of this area will recommence from 17 December 2018.

126. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ENGAGEMENTS

The list of Mayor's engagements for the period 5 November 2018 to the 16 December 2018 were noted.

On behalf of the Council, Councillor Mrs M K May thanked Councillor M Snowdon for his continual hard work with Penryn's Christmas Lights, and requested that the appreciation of the Council is passed on to the lighting team.

127. RED BOX PROJECT

RESOLVED that;

- a) a red box for the donation of sanitary items is made available in the library building.
- b) Posters supporting the scheme are displayed in the Council's property where appropriate.

Proposed by Councillor M Snowdon and seconded by Mrs J Tucker

128. REPRESENTATIONS BY CORNWALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS ATTENDING EXTERNAL MEETINGS

Councillor J Symonds reported:

- All the yellow lines approved in the Penryn parking review should now be in situ.
- Commercial Road – reiterated, that enforcement can now take place.

Councillor Mrs M K May reported:

- That the new waste collection procedures are due to be introduced in 2020, the new scheme would be: Weekly recycling collections, fortnightly black-bag refuse collection and an additional container would be supplied for food waste.

Councillor Dr J Garrett reported:

- That she had attended the University Information Forum meeting and confirmed the introduction of the warden scheme in Falmouth had seen an improvement in student behaviour. At present there is no date for when the scheme will be introduced in Penryn.

Councillor Mrs M K May requested that she is contacted with the date of the next forum, so that any complaints she has received can be included at the meeting.

Councillor D Edwards reported:

- That he had also attended the University Information Forum and had mentioned the S106 monies that had been used at the university. Ruth Grimmer has inferred that the University will not be accepting any further S106 funds.

129. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk's report was noted.

The Town Clerk reminded Councillors that the offices and library would be closed from 4:30pm on Friday 21 December 2018 and will re-open at 9am on Wednesday 2 January 2019.

130. TOWN COUNCILLOR ELECTIONS

The Town Clerk reported that of the two requests for elections, the vacancy in the East Ward had been filled by an uncontested election with Councillor K Ruby duly elected. The expenditure incurred for the uncontested election was £199.73.

The election for the vacancy in the west ward will take place on Thursday 3 January, with the polling stations (Temperance Hall and The Space) open from 7am to 10pm. The estimated expenditure for the election is £5,000.

131. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Town Mayor called for any nominations for the election of vice-chairman of the planning committee.

RESOLVED that Councillor Ms R L Holden be elected vice-chairman of the planning committee for the remainder of the 2018-19 civic year.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs M K May and seconded by Councillor J Langan

132. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Having earlier in the meeting declared a non-registerable interest in planning application PA18/06547 Land North of 3 The Square, Councillor M Snowdon left the room for the duration of the following item and did not take part in the debate or the vote.

PA18/06547 – Land North of 3 The Square Penryn

RESOLVED No objections to the amended plans of two, two-storey semi-detached houses subject to:

- 1) The footpath being maintained as a public footpath/right of way
- 2) Materials used to be in keeping with the heritage report/conservation area
- 3) That the Burgage wall is maintained and repaired

Proposed by Councillor Ms R L Holden and seconded by Councillor Dr J Garrett

Following the above resolution Councillor M Snowdon returned to the meeting.

Having earlier in the meeting declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in planning application PA18/10676 24 Saracen Way, Councillor Mrs H May left the room for the duration of the following item and did not take part in the debate or the vote.

PA18/10676 – 24 Saracen Way, Penryn

RESOLVED that the Town Council has no objections to the application for a single storey, rear extension

Proposed by Councillor M Snowdon and seconded by Councillor Mrs J Tucker

Following the above resolution Councillor Mrs H Mary returned to the meeting.

PA18/11003 – Trenance, Round Ring, Penryn

RESOLVED that the Town Council has no objections to the removal of the agricultural occupancy restriction.

Proposed by Councillor Ms R L Holden and seconded by Councillor M Snowdon

PA18/11196 – 5 Broad Street, Penryn

RESOLVED that the Town Council has no objections to the application to resite and reuse the existing door and window.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs S K Peters and seconded by Councillor C Mullins

PA18/11401 – 13 New Street, Penryn

RESOLVED that the Town Council fully supports the application for the repair to the wooden sash windows

Proposed by Councillor Ms R L Holden and seconded by Mrs S K Peters

133. ACCOUNTS – 1 OCTOBER TO 31 OCTOBER 2018

RESOLVED that the list of accounts paid and the monthly statement for the period 1 to 31 October 2018 be approved.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs M K May and seconded by Councillor Ms R L Holden

On behalf of the Council, Councillor Mrs M K May thanked the finance officer for the accounts and congratulated him on passing his driving test.

134. INTERIM AUDIT REPORT

The interim audit report for the 2018/19 financial year was noted.

135. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

RESOLVED that Hudson Accounting be appointed as the Town Council's internal auditor for the financial years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 at a cost of £600 per annum, subject to the Council not increasing significantly in size.

Proposed by Councillor J Langan and seconded by Councillor C Mullins

136. COMMUNITY GRANTS

There were three requests for Community Grants:

Cruse Bereavement Care Cornwall

RESOLVED that in accordance with S137 of the Local Government Act 1972 Cruse Bereavement Care Cornwall be awarded a grant of £300

Proposed by Councillor Mrs M K May and seconded by Councillor J Langan

Having earlier in the meeting declared a non-registerable interest in the community grant request for Penryn Gymnastics Centre, Councillor Mrs H May left the room for the duration of the following item and did not take part in the debate or the vote.

Penryn Gymnastics Centre

RESOLVED that delegated powers be given to the Town Clerk in conjunction with the Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor, to award a grant of £150 per child up to a maximum of seven children, or £1050 subject to confirmation/proof of the number of children who reside in Penryn.

Proposed by Councillor J Langan and seconded by Councillor D Edwards

Following the above resolution Councillor Mrs H May returned to the meeting.

Kernow Credit Union

RESOLVED that in accordance with S137 of the Local Government Act 1972 Kernow Credit Union be awarded a grant of £330

Proposed by Councillor Mrs M K May and seconded by Councillor Mrs M V Bennett

137. BUDGET

After a lengthy debate it was **RESOLVED** that;

- a) The allowance in the budget to replace the Town Hall roof is reduced to £21,324
- b) The precept for the 2019/20 financial year is set at £262,602
- c) The Town Clerk, on behalf of the Town Council notifies Cornwall Council of the precept for the 2019/20 financial year.

Proposed by Councillor Ms R L Holden and seconded by Councillor C Mullins

With the precept set at £262,602 this results in an annual cost to a Band D taxpayer of £117.92. This is a decrease of £4.96/year (£0.41/month over 12 months) per Band D Household, or -3.98% per annum or -0.33% per month

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.16pm

CHAIRMAN