

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Falmouth Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Falmouth on Monday 5th February 2007 at 7.00 pm for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present: Councillors: R.J. Bonney (Town Mayor), Mrs A J Biggins, I J Body, Mrs L S Coles, Mrs M Davies, S D Eva, G F Evans, L J Lloyd, Mrs M Ryan, Dr DA Sterratt, Mrs L A Trenchard, M A Varney and Mrs M H Wengradt.

In attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk)
S J Polglase (Deputy Clerk & Finance Officer)
D. Lang (Town Centre Manager)
Reverend S Tudgey (Mayor's Chaplain)

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C3281 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillors Brain (ill), and Chin-Quee (family illness).

C3282 INTERESTS

None received.

C3283 MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Body, seconded by Councillor Mrs Biggins and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Town Council Meetings held on 11th December 2006 (Part I) and 8th January 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

C3284 TOWN MAYORS REPORT

The Town Mayor reported upon civic attendance including his well attended Mayoral Open Day. The Deputy Mayor had attended the RNAS Culdrose Presentation of Wings.

He reminded Members of the Vilagarcia Cultural Links Reception on 16th February 2007 and the Museum Steering Group meeting scheduled for 26th February 2007 at 5.00pm.

The Town Clerk reported the acknowledgement of the County Fire Brigade in respect of the Council's objection to the proposed 2007/08 service plan and advised that the consultation process concludes on 11th April 2007. Members requested that the Town Clerk investigates the legality of the proposals that would leave the county with no guaranteed night cover.

C3285 QUESTIONS

No public questions were received.

C3286 COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Planning Committee report dated 11th December 2006 was presented by Councillor Mrs Davies, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Davies, seconded by Councillor Body and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 11th December 2006 be approved.

The Planning Committee report dated 15th January 2007 was presented by Councillor Mrs Davies, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Davies, seconded by Councillor Body and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 15th January 2007 be approved.

The Art Gallery Committee report dated 8th January 2007 was presented by Councillor Mrs Trenchard.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Trenchard, seconded by Councillor Evans and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 8th January 2007 be approved subject to the amendment of the minute numbers so that they run consecutively.

The Finance and General Purposes Committee report (Part I) dated 22nd January 2007 was presented by Councillor Evans, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor Body and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 22nd January 2007 be approved.

C3287 RECONSTRUCTING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CORNWALL

Pursuant to Minute C3259 the Town Clerk advised that the Council's observations had been reported to the Department for Communities and Local Government and the respective local bidders.

The further information from Cornwall County Council was duly noted.

C3288 TRESCOBEAS RECREATIONAL SUB-COMMITTEE

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor Mrs Trenchard and

RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations of the sub-committee meeting held on 22nd January 2007 be agreed.

C3289 CARRICK URBAN SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

RESOLVED that minutes of the meeting of the Partnership held on 26th October 2006 be noted.

C3290 NHS HOSPITAL CUTS

RESOLVED that pursuant to Minute C3242 the response of Julia Goldsworthy MP be noted.

C3291 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS – 3RD MAY 2007

RESOLVED that the Council endorses the literature produced by Carrick District Council and the National Association of Local Council's and prepares an election pack for prospective candidates.

C3292 771 SQUADRON – RNAS CULDROSE

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor Varney and

RESOLVED that the Council supports Helston Town Council in seeking the retention of 771 Squadron at RNAS Culdrose.

C3293 TOWN CENTRE PARTNERSHIP

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor Mrs Trenchard and

RESOLVED that the Town Centre Partnership Local Area Agreement be agreed subject to the inclusion of Falmouth's transition town proposals.

C3294 CORNWALL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

RESOLVED that the report of Councillor Mrs Davies on her attendance at the Carrick Branch meeting of CALC on 19th January 2007 be noted.

C3295 TOWN PLAN

RESOVLED that

- (i) the Quality Council Working Party in conjunction with Carrick District Council consider the viability of combining consultation on the Falmouth / Penryn Area Action Plan and the Falmouth Town Plan;
- (ii) the Council's concerns regarding the time taken to progress the Area Action Plan be raised with Carrick District Council.

C3296 SEAGULLS

RESOVLED that the report of the Town Clerk on Professor Rock's presentation regarding urban gulls be noted and that Carrick District Council be encouraged to consider enforcement action against individuals who feed and encourage the congregation of urban gulls.

C3297 **FALMOUTH TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

RESOLVED that the date and venue of the Annual General Meeting of the Falmouth Twinning Association, 13th March 2007 in the Council Chamber be noted.

C3298 **COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT**

The Community Police report was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

Councillor Varney expressed his concerns at the non-attendance of a Community Police representative and the Town Mayor advised he would write to Inspector Scott to request attendance at future meetings.

C3299 **TOWN CENTRE MANAGERS REPORT**

The Town Centre Manager presented his report which was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

C3300 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

The Town Clerk presented his report which was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

An additional item regarding Town Centre Management was deferred to Part II of the meeting.

C3301 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor Varney and

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.