

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

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

Present: Councillors: M A Varney (Town Mayor), A K Ayres, Mrs A J Biggins, I J Body, Mrs J A Booth, G W Chin-Quee, Mrs M Davies, B Elliott, S D Eva, Mrs V E Eva, G F Evans, Ms D E Merrett, D Noakes, Mrs M Ryan and Dr D A Sterratt

In attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk)
S J Polglase (Deputy Clerk & Finance Officer)
D P Lang (Town Centre Manager)
Acting Inspector Claybourne (Falmouth Police)
Reverend B Bennetts (Mayor's Chaplain)
T Hogg and K Ennever (Bishops Forum)

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C3429 APOLOGIES

An Apology was received and approved from Councillor Cramp (ill).

C3430 INTERESTS

None received.

C3431 MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Ms Merrett and

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council Meeting (part I) held on 24th September 2007 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

C3432 TOWN MAYORS REPORT

The Town Mayor advised the Council of civic engagements he had attended. Including the continuation of his traders visits which were positive. He was also visiting local schools.

He congratulated the Falmouth Ambassadors and the St Michaels Hotel on their success in the South West Tourism Awards.

He also advised that the next meeting of the Council, and therefore Interim Planning Committee, would be changed to 17th December 2007.

C3433 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None received.

C3434 FALMOUTH HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS

In the absence of a representative of the Harbour Commissioners this presentational item was deferred.

C3435 **THE BISHOPS FORUM**

Mr Tony Hogg, Chief Executive, and Ms Kath Ennever, Senior Development Manager of the Bishops Forum apprised the Council of the youth work and outdoor activity of the forum whose objective was to assist Cornish young people in need, unable to gain unemployment. Over 8,000 young people had been assisted in 2006.

They then responded to questions and the Mayor thanked them for their attendance and they left the meeting.

C3436 **MOTION BY COUNCILLOR NOAKES**

It was proposed by Councillor Noakes, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that the Council write to the Prime Minister requesting that a national referendum be held on the European Union Reform Treaty.

C3437 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Art Gallery Committee report dated 1st October 2007 was presented by Councillor Mrs Davies, Chairman of the Committee.

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

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 1st October 2007 be approved.

The Planning Committee report dated 24th September 2007 was presented by Councillor S D Eva, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor S D Eva, seconded by Councillor Mrs V E Eva and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 24th September 2007 be approved.

The Planning Committee report dated 8th October 2007 was presented by Councillor S D Eva, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor S D Eva, seconded by Councillor Mrs V E Eva and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 8th October 2007 be approved.

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

It was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 22nd October 2007 be approved subject to it being noted that Councillor Mrs Biggins was Secretary of the District (not County) Scouts Association (minute F3523).

C3438 **MARITIME LINE WORKING PARTY**

The minutes of the working party meeting held on 10th May 2007 and the October 2007 update were duly noted.

C3439 **PARKS AND GARDENS (FALMOUTH) CONSULTATIVE GROUP**

The minutes of the group meeting held on 19th June 2007 were duly noted.

C3440 **FALMOUTH PACT PANEL**

The minutes of the Panel meeting held on 14th September 2007 were duly noted.

C3441 **FALMOUTH TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE GROUP**

The minutes of the group meeting held on 24th September 2007 were duly noted.

C3442 **LOCAL YOUTH STRATEGY FORUM**

The minutes of the forum meeting held on 2nd October 2007 were duly noted.

C3443 **ONE CORNWALL – FALMOUTH AREA PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS MEETING**

The Mayor and Town Clerk reported upon the recent event held on 10th October 2007 where the Council's intention of facilitating local service delivery and joint working was reiterated. The report was duly noted.

C3444 **AFFORDABLE HOUSING WORKSHOP**

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

RESOLVED that the notes and recommendations of the meeting of the workshop held on 15th October 2007 be agreed.

A motion proposed by Councillor S D Eva, and seconded by Councillor Elliott, that correspondence be sent to Reverend Tudgey regarding his comments on the efforts of the Council in regard to affordable housing was withdrawn.

C3445 **BUS SHELTER AT GOLDENBANK**

Councillor Elliott requested that the shelter reinstatement at this site be provided ahead of programmed works. The Town Clerk reported letters and a petition from local residents to this end. Advice from Cornwall County Council that there was not a resource to do works outside of those agreed and scheduled, and reminded the Council that these works were in addition to Local Transport Plan programme and was an opportunity for the Town Council to have properly maintained shelters across the town at no cost to local chargepayers.

It was proposed by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Noakes and

RESOLVED that the Town Mayor meets with the appropriate Officer of Cornwall County Council to discuss bringing forward bus shelter provision at Goldenbank.

C3446 **COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT**

Acting Inspector Claybourne presented the Community Police Report that was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

C3447 TOWN CENTRE MANAGERS REPORT

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

In addition he provided updates on works to Jacobs Ladder, former GPO Clock and Christmas lights. He also hoped that the Council would continue to be, and become more, supportive of the retail sector in the town.

C3448 TOWN CLERKS REPORT

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

C3449 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor S D Eva, seconded by Councillor Ayres 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.