FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, The Moor, Falmouth on Monday 29th April 2019 at 7.00pm.

Present:

Councillors G G Chappel (Town Mayor), R J Bonney, L D Coley, S D Eva, A J Gillett,

A J Jewell CC, P A Minson, M C Morgan, R J O'Shea, B M A Ross, D W Saunby CC and

J M Spargo.

In Attendance: A M Williams

(Town Clerk)

R J Gates

(Town Manager)

Councillor J Kirkham

(Cornwall Council – Smithick ED)

PC M Cummins

(Falmouth Police) (Mayor's Chaplain)

Father I Froom

(Fairtrade Falmouth)

M Bradley I Munday and H Kellett

(Azores and Back Race)

R Markland and E Murphy

(Falmouth Community Fridge Project)

PRAYERS

Prior to the formal commencement of the meeting prayers were said by the Mayor's Chaplain Father Froom.

C5167 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillors Evans (holiday), Councillor Parker (holiday) and Robinson (family commitment).

C5168 INTERESTS

None received.

C5169 MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Gillett, seconded by Councillor Bonney and

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th March 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

C5170 TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

The Town Mayor reported upon his civic activity including attendance at the Hayle Mayor's Social Evening, Falmouth Civic Society, meeting Sir Robin Knox-Johnson on his anniversary return to Falmouth, the opening of the Harbour Masters Office, The Falmouth Poly Lectures, Falmouth Twinning Association Coffee Morning and the Cornwall Pride Ball.

The Mayor presented former Town Mayors: Maureen Davies, Roger Bonney, Mike Varney and John Body with past mayoral civic insignia and thanked them for their efforts on behalf of the community.

C5171 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None received.

C5172 AZORES AND BACK RACE 2019

Ian Munday, Race Director and Hugh Kellett provided an update regarding the 2019 event, which was its 12th running since 1975. A Corinthian event (no prize money) it would start on 27th May, with a race start of 1st June. 50 entrants representative of 12 nationalities, would be single or double handed racing 1250 miles to the Azores and back. He thanked the Council for its funding assistance and was looking at engagement with local retailers and supporting local initiatives Plastic Free Falmouth and Turn to Starboard. MailASail was the event sponsor and all entrants could be tracked. They responded to Councillors questions.

C5173 FALMOUTH COMMUNITY FRIDGE

Robin Markland and Eamon Murphy of Community Heart CIC updated the Council on the community fridge initiative, a managed provision where edible but not saleable fresh food would be available to all on a daily basis. The initiative had community and environmental benefits. Over 100 operated in the UK, but only one other in Cornwall. A venue had yet to be secured and they hoped to use Council premises in town. They reported on a local consultation that showed overwhelming support for the initiative. The responded to Councillor questions.

C5174 POLICE REPORT

PC Cummins presented the community police report including the shoplifting prevention measures and training event and his engagement with Surgeries and Pubwatch.

C5175 COMMUNITY NETWORK PANEL

The notes of the Community Network Panel dated 26th March 2019 were noted.

C5176 CORNWALL COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Trescobeas

Councillor Saunby reported that the former Roslyn Hotel site would be developed as purpose built student accommodation.

Boslowick

Councillor Jewell had met with the developers at Swanpool and had encouraged them to meet with the Town Council. In regards to the Wainhomes development he had asked Cornwall Council to look at alleged unauthorised works to the retaining wall. Further he reported that construction works at Bickland Water Road had caused issues. He updated the Council on local licensing and planning matters and that the Cabinet were considering further funding assistance for the University's Launch Pad initiative.

Smithick

Councillor Kirkham reported that the Homelessness Action Group had been successful with all agencies coming together and Cornwall Council had appointed an officer lead. Further the Private Sector Rental Officer at Cornwall Council was looking at Houses in Multiple Occupation licensing and the mandatory scheme could be extended. Cornwall Council was also undertaking a Town Centre viability inquiry and she thanked the Town Manager and Falmouth BID Manager for assisting that, Falmouth was more advanced in supporting its town centre locally than most other Cornish towns. In regard to the Fish Strand Hill development she had requested the developer submitted suitable construction access and management plans and she was hoping an affected local business could be re-sited for the duration of the works.

Arwenack

No report.

<u>Penwerris</u>

No report.

C5177 FAIRTRADE FALMOUTH

Mary Bradley presented the Fairtrade report that was duly noted.

C5178 COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Cultural Services Report dated 1st April 2019 was presented by Councillor Gillett, Vice-Chair of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Gillett, seconded by Councillor Saunby and

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee dated 1st April 2019 be approved.

The Finance and General Purposes Committee Part I Report dated 15th April 2019 was presented by Councillor O'Shea, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Shea, seconded by Councillor Ross and

RESOLVED that the Part I Report of the Committee dated 15th April 2019 be approved.

The Planning Committee Report dated 11th March 2019 was presented by Councillor Jewell, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Jewell, seconded by Councillor Spargo and

RESOLVED that the Report of the Committee dated 11th March 2019 be approved.

The Planning Committee Report dated 1st April 2019 was presented by Councillor Jewell, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Jewell, seconded by Councillor Spargo and

RESOLVED that the Report of the Committee dated 1st April 2019 be approved.

C5179 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2019/20

It was proposed by Councillor Chappel, seconded by Councillor Minson and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Minute C5157 schedule of meetings for 2019/20 be amended (as attached) and recommended for adoption by the Council at the Annual meeting.

C5180 APPOINTMENTS

It was proposed by Councillor Eva, seconded by Councillor Ross and

RESOLVED that Councillor P A Minson replaces Councillor Parker as Deputy Mayor Elect 2019/20.

It was proposed by Councillor Minson, seconded by Councillor Morgan and

RESOLVED that should the Licensing Committee wish to appoint Councillor Eva as its Chairman for 2019/20 the Standing Orders be relaxed to permit it to do so.

It was proposed by Councillor Coley, seconded by Councillor Minson and

RESOLVED that Standing Orders be amended to allow Councillor Chappel to remain on the Staffing Committee until Councillor Eva, as Mayor Elect, had undertaken the appropriate training to allow him to sit.

It was proposed by Councillor Eva, seconded by Councillor Minson and

RESOLVED that

- (i) Councillor Coley be removed from the Planning Committee and Standing Orders amended to allow the Committee to operate with seven members in 2019/20
- (ii) Councillor Minson be removed from the Cultural Services Committee, and is replaced by Councillor Coley in 2019/20.

It was proposed by Councillor Bonney, seconded by Councillor Eva and

RESOLVED that Councillor Chappel replaces Councillor Morgan as one of the Council's Twinning Association representatives.

C5181 TOWN MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Town Manager presented the Town Management Report that was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

C5182 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor Chappel, seconded by Councillor Saunby and

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of contractual matters and personal information it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the meeting.

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C5183 COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Finance and General Purposes Committee Part II Report dated 15th April 2019 was presented by Councillor O'Shea, Chairman of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Shea, seconded by Councillor Ross and

RESOLVED that the Part II Report of the Committee held on 15th April 2019 be approved.

The Staffing Committee Report dated 8th April 2019 was presented by Councillor Minson, Chair of the Committee.

It was proposed by Councillor Minson, seconded by Councillor Chappel and

RESOLVED that the Report of the Committee dated 8th April 2019 be approved.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.55pt	m.
Signed:	

Falmouth Town Council Schedule of Meetings 2019-2020 Municipal Year

	2019	•	<u> 2019</u>		
	May		December		
13th	Planning	2nd	Interim Planning		
20th	Annual Council		Council		
		16th	Staffing		
	<u>June</u>	23rd	Planning		
3rd	Finance & General Purposes				
	Special Council		<u>2020</u>		
10th	Interim Planning		January		
	Council	6th	Cultural Services		
17th	Staffing	13th	Planning		
			Finance & General Purposes		
	<u>July</u>		<u>February</u>		
1st	Planning	3rd	Interim Planning		
15th	Finance & General Purposes		Council		
22nd	Interim Planning	10th	Staffing		
	Council	24th	Planning		
29th	Cultural Services		Finance & General Purposes		
	August		<u>March</u>		
5th	Staffing	16th	Interim Planning		
12th	Planning		Council		
		23rd	APM		
	<u>September</u>				
2nd	Finance & General Purposes		<u>April</u>		
9th	Interim Planning	6th	Planning		
	Council	•	Cultural Services		
30th	Planning	20th	Staffing 6pm		
			Finance & General Purposes		
	October	27th	Interim Planning		
7th	Staffing		Council		
14th	Finance & General Purposes				
21st	Interim Planning		<u>May</u>		
	Council	11th	Annual Council		
28th	Culteral Services	18th	Planning		
			Finance & General Purposes		
	November		<u>June</u>		
11th	Planning	1st	Special Council		
25th	Finance & General Purposes				
Note	Unless otherwise stated all meetings take place in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, The Moor, Falmouth - TR11 2RT				
Planning	All planning meetings will take place at 6pm with all other meetings commencing at 7pm except				
	where stated				
Holidays	Bank holidays in 2019 are on the 6th and 27th May, 26th August, 25th and 26th December. Bank holidays in 2020 are on the 1st January, 10th and 13th April, 4th May and 25th May.				



Town Management Report to Falmouth Town Council 29/04/19

Western Power works 2019

I am pleased to say that for 2019 these works are obviously now finished. This is very welcome for everyone across the town due to the impact that these necessary works have. The Town Team will soon begin planning 2020's works taking on board all points that traders and the community have raised and address where possible.

Business Rates meeting

This was held on a Friday afternoon for support and advice from Jenny Lawson at Cornwall Council/ Cllr Jayne Kirkham and the Town Team for ideas and thoughts of how to take individual claims forward for businesses. It a complicated process with Check/Challenge/Appeal and the VOA and something that an individual business or a commercial registered agent can do.

Shoplifting prevention for businesses in the town

This was held at the most recent traders meeting and was well received to give pointers/guidance and also what is available via the https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/advice/your-business/shoplifting-robbery/ There is also a huge amount of info under the advice section on the website for a variety of topics.

Homelessness

This has been a significant issue as no doubt you are all aware. I am pleased to say that significant improvements are being made and several people have recently been homed. There is much more to do and will continue to be done from a whole variety of agencies. I would like to say a big thank you to all the people involved behind the scenes. Many towns are having these challenges and it involves everyone to help improve the situation.

Falmouth International Sea Shanty Festival

There are 66 groups confirmed for this year performing across 25 venues. Planning is well advanced with the performance detail being worked on at the moment. New for this year there will be a stage on the Prince of Wales Pier which will be run by Falmouth Festivals linking with the Pier Café.

The Falmouth Packet Gala Concert will this be held at the Poly on the Saturday evening and we are continuing with an updated version (thanks to the Seasalt graphic team) of the reusable plastic pints helping to reduce single use plastic.

With the recent release of the Fisherman's Friends film in cinema's that will only add a positive to the interest in the festival.

Falmouth Monopoly

This is now available at various outlets such as the Cornish Store and The Works. We are one of only a handful of towns across the UK that have a Monopoly version (it is normally cities or themes) and is something the Town Team worked closely with Winning Moves who produce the game on behalf of Hasbro for images/content.

Falmouth Top Trumps

In addition to Falmouth Monopoly, Winning Moves have also produced a 'Top Trumps' edition which also incorporates our Falmouth Map.