

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Falmouth Town Council, Municipal Buildings, Falmouth on Monday 12th March 2012 at 7.00p.m.

Present: Councillor G F Evans (Town Mayor and Cornwall Councillor) presiding
Town Councillors: AK Ayres, I J Body, Mrs A J Biggins, G W Chin-Queen,
C H Choak, O K Cramp, Mrs M Davies, A J Jewell, Ms D E Merrett,
D M O'Brien and Mrs M Ryan
Also: A M Williams (Town Clerk) and R J Gates (Town Manager)
Inspector M Richards (Devon and Cornwall Constabulary)
J Griffin (Chairman Falmouth Forum)
Rev S Tudgey and Mrs L Coles (Falmouth Street Pastors)
Ms L Lloyd (Falmouth Energy Partnership and Fairtrade Falmouth)
Six members of the public and press

T 290 **WELCOME BY TOWN MAYOR**

The Town Mayor welcomed those present and reported upon the municipal year. This was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

T 291 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Booth (ill), Mrs Hrydziuska (ill) and Sterratt (work). Also Cornwall Councillor Eva. Mrs Chadwick (Cornwall Council Community Network Manager) and Captain Sansom (Falmouth Harbour Commissioners) also tendered apologies

T 292 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th March 2011 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

T 293 **REPORTS BY COUNCIL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**

(1) **Art Gallery Committee**

The Chairman, Councillor Mrs Davies, presented a report that forms part of these minutes.

(2) **Finance and General Purposes Committee**

The Chairman, Councillor Sterratt, presented a report that forms part of these minutes.

(3) **Planning Committee**

The Vice-Chairman, Councillor Ms Merrett reported that the Chairman's report was not available.

(4) **Staffing Committee**

The Chairman, Councillor Mrs Biggins, presented a report that forms part of these minutes.

(5) **Strategic Planning and Regeneration Committee**

The Chairman, Councillor Sterratt reported that the Committee had been newly formed with a remit to consider and engage with national and county strategic planning proposals and local regeneration initiatives.

T 294 **FALMOUTH POLICE – COMMUNITY REPORT 2011/12**

Inspector Richards reported upon community policing in 2011/12 and future initiatives and issues to be addressed as part of force wide reductions. His report forms part of these minutes.

T 295 **COMMUNITY FIRE AND RESCUE – COMMUNITY REPORT 2011/12**

Not available.

T 296 **REPORT BY MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT – MRS SARAH NEWTON MP**

Not available.

T 297 **COMMUNITY NETWORK MANAGER’S REPORT**

Councillor Evans reported upon some of the initiatives and issues for the Network.

T 298 **CORNWALL COUNCILLORS – REPORTS**

Councillors Chappell, Eva and Varney had not reported upon Penwerris, Arwenack or Boslowick Wards.

Councillor Saunby did not wish to report upon the Trescobeas Ward.

Councillor Evans reported upon the Gyllyngvase Ward, including the Gyllyngdune Project Works, speed restrictions for Melvill Road, provision of disabled access for the steps at the Parish Church and improvements at Swanpool.

T 299 **REPORTS BY TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMUNITY BODIES**

(1) Mayors Regeneration Group

Councillor Cramp presented a report that forms part of these minutes.

(2) Earle’s Retreat

Councillor Mrs Davies presented a report that forms part of these minutes.

(3) Falmouth Twinning Association

Councillor Mrs Davies presented a report that forms part of these minutes.

(4) Cornwall Association of Local Councils ; and, Larger Local Councils Committee

Councillor Cramp presented a report that forms part of these minutes.

T 300 **FALMOUTH FORUM**

Mr Griffin, Chairman of the Forum, presented a report that forms part of these minutes.

T 301 **FALMOUTH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (BID) REVIEW**

The report which is available at www.falmouth.co.uk by the Falmouth BID Manager was presented by the Town Manager and was duly noted.

T 302 **TOWN MANAGEMENT REVIEW**

The report by the Town Manager was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

T 303 **COUNCIL WORKING PARTY REPORTS**

Councillor Sterratt reported upon the Kimberley Park Working Party and Trescobeas Working Party, that forms part of these minutes.

- T 304 **TOWN COUNCIL CHAMPIONS**
Councillor Ms Merrett reported upon her role as Environmental Champion that forms part of these minutes.
- T 305 **FALMOUTH STREET PASTORS**
Reverend Tudgey presented a report that forms part of these minutes.
- T 306 **UNIVERSITY COLLEGE FALMOUTH AND EXETER UNIVERSITY**
The report was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.
- T 307 **FALMOUTH HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS**
The availability of the report at www.falmouthport.co.uk was duly noted.
- T 308 **DRACAENA CENTRE**
The report was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.
- T 309 **CARRICK HOUSING**
Councillor Chin-Quee, Chairman of Carrick Housing, reported upon the changes to provide a comprehensive countywide approach to social housing from 1st April 2012.
- T 310 **FALMOUTH AND PENRYN YOUTH WORK TEAM**
The report was duly noted that forms part of these minutes.
- T 311 **FAIRTRADE FALMOUTH**
Ms Lloyd presented a report that forms part of these minutes.
- T 312 **COMMUNITY ALIVE**
Ms Lloyd presented a report that forms part of these minutes.
- T 313 **TRANSITION FALMOUTH**
Ms Lloyd presented a report that forms part of these minutes.
- T 314 **FALMOUTH AND PENRYN YOUTH FORUM**
Ms Lloyd presented a report that forms part of these minutes.
- T 315 **FAL ENERGY PARTNERSHIP**
Ms Lloyd presented a report that forms part of these minutes.
- T 316 **QUESTION**
Mr Clegg asked if Falmouth would be looking to produce a Neighbourhood Plan. The Town Clerk explained the current LDF situation, and that the Town Council had deferred consideration, partly to gauge community desire.

The Chairman reported that he would shortly meet with the Civic Society in regard to Neighbourhood Plans.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 7.45p.m.

Signed: Date: