

**CAMBORNE TOWN COUNCIL
AMENITIES COMMITTEE 16TH APRIL 2015**

MINUTES of the meeting of the Amenities Committee of Camborne Town Council held in the Clerk's Office, The Basset Centre, Basset Road, Camborne on Thursday 16th April 2015 at 6.30 pm.

PRESENT Councillor Ms Merrick (Chairman)
Councillor Ms Z Fox (Vice Chairman)
Councillor T Chalker
Councillor Mrs V Dalley
Councillor C Godolphin
Councillor G Taylor

In Attendance: Amanda Mugford, Town Clerk; Miss Melanie Negus, Administrative Assistant and Mathew Odgers (Tree Warden).

The Chairman explained the safety procedures to all those present.

A.3540 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

A.3540.2 RESOLVED: that the apologies from Councillor Champion for non-attendance of the meeting of the Amenities Committee held on the 16th April 2015 were received

Proposed by Councillor Ms Fox
Seconded by Councillor Taylor

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

There were no apologies received from Councillor Crickett.

A.3541 MEMBERS TO DECLARE DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON REGISTERABLE INTERESTS (INCLUDING THE DETAILS THEREOF) IN RESPECT OF ANY ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA INCLUDING ANY GIFTS OR HOSPITALITY EXCEEDING £25

There were no declarations of interests.

A.3542 TO APPROVE WRITTEN REQUEST(S) FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no dispensation requests.

A.3543 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman informed members of confirmation received from Cornwall Council that the St Johns Ambulance Hall had been registered as an Asset of Community Value.

A.3544 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THIS COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 19TH MARCH 2015 AND THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THEM

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- A.3544.2 RESOLVED:** **that the minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee held on the 19th March 2015 were received approved and signed by the Chairman**

Proposed by Councillor Ms Merrick
Seconded by Councillor Ms Fox

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously by those entitled to vote.

A.3545 MATTERS ARISING, FOR INFORMATION ONLY, WHERE NOT INCLUDED BELOW

Councillor Godolphin enquired on progress regarding A.3537.2 the siting of the commemorative seat at Killivose. The Clerk informed him that the cemetery was owned by Cornwall Council. She had contacted the relevant department and was waiting for a response.

Councillor Taylor gave a report on his attendance of the Trevithick Day Committee meeting.

Councillor Ms Fox informed members of Costa Coffee's interest in joining the Community Toilet Scheme; they had Ladies, Gents and Disabled toilets and were open under twelve hours, seven days a week.

A.3546 TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL REGARDING THE LIBRARY AND ONE STOP SHOP SERVICE CONSULTATION AND AGREE A RESPONSE

Members discussed the cuts in funding to the library service and the Library building. The Town Clerk informed members that the consultation was on the library service, not the building. Figures provided by Cornwall Council showed the library service cost £68,000 per year to run, and the building £28,000. At a recent Devolution meeting Cornwall Council's Scott Sharples had informed her that Cornwall Council had to meet a legislative requirement to provide a comprehensive and efficient library service, but could not define the exact meaning of the legislation.

The Town Clerk informed members of the Cornwall Association of Larger Local Councils meeting she had attended on the 15th April. CALC supported a public sector led model and the Committee had discussed opportunities for a local Council led model and Council partnership schemes. Furthermore, that a lack of response to the consultation could result in the service going to a private organisation or out of the county.

- A.3546.2 RESOLVED:** **that correspondence from Cornwall Council regarding the Library and One Stop Shop Service Consultation was received; that Camborne Town Council respond to Cornwall Council that it**

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would favour a public sector led model for delivery of the library service; are aware of CALCS response, request that it be observed, and would support such a model. Camborne Town Council regrets the funding cuts by Cornwall Council to the library service, and the value added services that it provides; public opinion supports this as evidenced in a recent public consultation with the Town Council

Proposed by Councillor Ms Fox
Seconded by Councillor Chalker

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

Mathew Odgers, Tree Warden entered the meeting.

A.3547 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (SUBJECT TO STANDING ORDER 90 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE PERMITTED TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS, ANSWER QUESTIONS AND GIVE EVIDENCE IN RESPECT OF ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF FIFTEEN MINUTES)

A.3548 TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE TREE COUNCIL'S WARDEN SCHEME AND AGREE ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION

Matthew Odgers informed members that he had worked on trees for twenty years, had arboricultural experience, and had worked as a tree surgeon for Cornwall Council. He asked for the Town Council's support in planting and saving trees in and around Camborne, and to be a liaison for the public's questions. There would be no cost incurred by the Town Council in nominating him as the town's Tree Warden. Furthermore he felt that the biggest pressure on tree preservation was development and he offered his advice on future planning applications involving trees.

Councillor Ms Fox thanked him for attending and offering his services free to the town.

A.3548.2 RESOLVED: that correspondence regarding the Tree Council's Warden Scheme was received; and that Mathew Odgers was nominated as Tree Warden to Camborne

Proposed by Councillor Ms Fox
Seconded by Councillor Mrs Dalley

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

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Proposed by Councillor Godolphin
Seconded by Councillor Ms Fox

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.55pm.

SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.....

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