

**Porthleven Town Council**  
**MINUTES THE VIRTUAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2020 @ 7pm**  
**Via Microsoft Teams**

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr. Toy (in the chair)	Cllr. Wallis	Cllr. Adair
	Cllr. Murray	Cllr. Osmond	Cllr. Jorgensen
	Cllr. Toms	C Thompson (Clerk)	
<b>In Attendance:</b>			

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b> Cllrs. Plunkett (Mayor) and Berryman forwarded their apologies</p> <p><b>Declaration of Interests</b> Cllr. Wallis noted that he was also a Cornwall Councillor and items may be presented to him separately under this role</p>	
042/2021	<p><b>To receive and approve minutes of the Virtual Town Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2020</b> Proposed from the Chair and AGREED as a true and accurate record</p>	
043/2021	<p><b>Matters arising from the minutes of the Virtual Town Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September</b> None</p>	
044/2021	<p><b>Planning – to receive and comment</b></p> <p><b><u>Planning Public Participation</u></b> None</p> <p><b><u>Category 1 applications:</u></b> None</p> <p><b><u>Category 2 applications:</u></b>  <b>PA20/06966</b>            Spindrift, 6 Institute Hill – small rear extension, rear roof lights, balustrade to terrace, Juliet balcony to front windows, new windows and internal alterations            Applicant: Mr Richard Bolsin            Lead: Cllr. Mike Toy            Cllr. Toy gave a summary of the application            Discussed            Proposed from the Chair and AGREED to object to this application as the proposed Juliet balcony was not in keeping within the conservation area.</p>	Clerk

	Noted that the Town Council had no issues with the proposed development at the rear of the property	
045/2021	<b>Public participation (non-planning matters)</b> None	
046/2021	<b>Observations upon matters raised during Public Participation</b> None	
047/2021	<b>Accounts</b> Clerk provided a list of accounts for approval Proposed from the Chair and AGREED	Clerk
048/2021	<b>Requests for Financial Support</b> Alzheimer's Research UK Cllr. Toy noted that both himself and the Mayor had met Karen Penny during her visit to Porthleven during her walk of the coastline of Britain and Ireland to raise funds for Alzheimer's Research UK. Discussed Proposed from the Chair and AGREED to an in-principle donation of £50 subject to a written request being received.	Clerk
049/2021	<b>Shallow Scrape Pond – The Moors Recreation Ground</b> Cllr. Toms presented an alternative plan to the approved French drains on the Moors Recreation to help alleviate the standing water issue in the Autumn / Winter. Suggested creating a scrape pond which would be fenced off for safety, approx. 2 feet deep, which it was hoped would attract wildlife and collect excess standing water. Discussed at length. Concerns raised included: the need to provide unfettered access to fishermen for net drying purposes, loss of a large area of recreational ground, covenants relating to the use of the land, safety with the proximity to the play park and maintenance costs. Noted that the scheme would need further investigation and approval from the Environment Agency if agreed Proposed by Cllr. Toy, seconded by Cllr. Wallis, to not investigate a Scrape Pond on the Moors Recreation Ground. Cllrs. Wallis, Toy and Murray voted in supports. Cllrs. Jorgensen, Toms, Adair and Osmond voted against. Proposed by Cllr. Murray, seconded by Cllr. Toy, and AGREED to investigate with the Environment Agency to seek their comments. Cllr. Wallis voted against this proposal	Clerk
050/2021	<b>Remembrance Sunday</b> Town Council discussed plans for Remembrance Sunday under current Covid-19 restrictions Clerk reported that St Bartholomew's were holding a Service at 9.30am and Methodist Church at 11am. Cllrs. Toy, Toms and Jorgensen agreed to attend the St Bartholomew's Service and Cllrs. Wallis, Toy, Adair and Osmond agreed to attend the Methodist Church Service. Cllr. Toy reported that the Town Band had agreed to have members play	

	<p>the last post at strategic places around Porthleven.</p> <p>Clerk to produce posters to advertise proposed act of remembrance by holding 2minute silence at the end of driveways / doorsteps at 11am.</p>	Clerk
	<b>Emergency Agenda Item</b>	
051/2021	<p><b>Planning – to receive and comment PA20/03310</b></p> <p>Land at The Shipyard, Harbour Head - Proposed masterplan development including demolition of a section of industrial buildings, conversion of industrial building into a performance space, a new Lobster Hatchery building with restaurant and associated terrace, new medical centre with 4no residential apartments, along with associated landscaping works.</p> <p>Applicant: Porthleven Harbour and Dock Company Lead: Porthleven Town Council</p> <p>Clerk noted that this application had last been brought before the Town Council for comment in September, minute 0030/2021, to which the Town Council deferred until clarification regarding points raised by South West Water and the Environment Agency had been clarified. Clerk provided details of the responses via email, summarised as the developer agreeing to fund the diversion of the infrastructure in accordance with points raised by South West Water and the Environment Agency removing their objection subject to a set of recommended planning conditions.</p> <p>Discussed at length</p> <p>Proposed from the Chair and AGREED (Cllr. Wallis abstained) to object to this application for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scale and mass of the proposed development within the heart Porthleven and its historic harbour</li> <li>• Destruction of historical wall, which is shown on the circa 1875 and 1906 OS maps. It is believed that the boundary wall could be the remains of historic buildings and the Town Council consider the destruction of the wall would harm the architectural character of Porthleven withing the Conservation Area.</li> <li>• Concerns over the proposed access via Methleigh Bottoms, this is a narrow area of road and the Town Council is concerned over the safety aspect and whether this would be adequate for larger vehicles</li> <li>• No independent Cornwall Council led public consultation conducted. The proposed development to the heart of Porthleven should be presented to the public for comment at a dedicated independent open consultation to allow all residents to fully understand the proposal and make an educated decision. Porthleven has a large elderly demographic who may not be able to access the proposed plans online and the Town Council do not feel that this has been taken into consideration.</li> <li>• The proposed development is adjacent to a flood plain and there are concerns regarding the proposed residential accommodation</li> <li>• Proposed residential element of the development is outside the</li> </ul>	Clerk

	<p>designated area set out within the Porthleven Development Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not in keeping with the Conservation Area</li><li>• Not in keeping with the Local Landscape Character Assessment</li></ul> <p>The Town Council request that this application be brought before the Cornwall Council Planning Committee for the final decision, due to the size and potential impact on the area of the application.</p>	
--	---	--

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.05pm

Signature: ..... Cllr. Plunkett, Mayor

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**OCTOBER 2020 EXPENDITURE EXCEEDING £100**

DD	CORNWALL COUNCIL: Non Domestic Rates Shute Lane toilets	£	123.00
	STAFFING COSTS: All staff related costs included pension, NI, Tax, HM Revenue Payments etc	£	6,021.94
5487	INDEPENDENT RURAL SERVICES: Ground maintenance	£	724.00
5489	AQUAROD: Shute Lane toilets clear blockage	£	102.00
5490	ALARM GUARD: Test and replacment batteries	£	178.80
5491	EDF: BSI May - September	£	426.29
5493	PLAYSAFETY LTD: Pre-installation inspection of offered skate ramp	£	474.00
5495	CORMAC: Public toilet cleaning Sep	£	923.00
5496	BRITISH GAS: Electricity Shute Lane toilets	£	156.86
5498	P CARVELLY: Maintenance various on Council owned property / land	£	955.00