

Porthleven Town Council
MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, HELD
AT INSTITUTE COTTAGE, CLIFF ROAD
ON THURSDAY, 9th JANUARY 2025 @ 7pm

Present:	Cllr. Toy (in the Chair)	Cllr. Munday	Cllr. Berryman
	Cllr. Naylor	C Thompson (Clerk)	
In Attendance:	Cllr. Keeling	Mr Blackbeard – Coastline Housing	Mr Taylor
	Rev. Anne		

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	<p>Apologies for Absence Cllr. Short, Shainberg, Horne and Port forwarded their apologies</p> <p>Declaration of Interests None</p>	
108/2425	<p>To receive and approve minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 12th December 2024 Proposed from the Chair and AGREED as a true and accurate record</p>	
109/2425	<p>Matters arising from the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 12th December 2024 None</p>	
110/2425	<p>Planning – to receive and comment <u>Planning Public Participation</u> Mr Taylor addressed the Members in support of application PA24/09376, noting the proposed extension was to accommodate growing family <u>Category 1 applications:</u> PA24/09376 Sarum, 21 Treza Road – Alterations and extension to dwelling. Applicant: Mr & Mrs C Taylor Discussed Proposed from the Chair and AGREED to support <u>Category 2 applications:</u> None</p>	Clerk
111/2425	<p>Public participation (non-planning matters) Rev. Anne introduced herself, to the Members, as the new Associate Minister West Kerrier with Helston and Wendron.</p>	
112/2425	<p>Observations upon matters raised during Public Participation The Mayor thanked Rev. Anne and welcomed her to the Parish</p>	

113/2425	<p>Mayor's Report</p> <p>The Mayor attending a meeting of the Porthleven Food Festival, worked with the EA in planting trees adjacent to the new track on the Moors and welcome service for Rev. Anne.</p>	
114/2425	<p>Deputy Mayor's Report</p> <p>Not in attendance</p>	
115/2425	<p>Town Clerk's Report</p> <p>Town Clerk reported various items including the following:</p> <p>PA24/01935</p> <p>Re: Siting of 20 ft shipping container on Fisherman's Quay for the sale of locally caught seafood and associated food and drinks; Porthleven Harbour, Commercial Road, Porthleven</p> <p>Please note that following the enactment of the Planning Protocol the final decision of the Town Council was to maintain their objections and request the final decision be taken by the Cornwall Council Planning Committee. Further update will follow</p> <p>Local Council briefing: Planning Reform</p> <p>Cornwall Council have invited clerks and Councillors to join them on Weds 29 January, 4.00-5.15 pm for important updates following the planning changes that came into effect in December with the revised National Planning Policy Framework and other changes. The programme will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome - Chris Daly, Strategic Sites and Training Manager • Update on the revised NPPF and other planning changes – Rob Lacey, Planning Policy Manager • How Neighbourhood Plans and the Local Plan are impacted by planning changes • Next steps on the Call for Sites <p>This will be an online event via Teams, please let the clerk know if you wish to attend</p>	
116/2425	<p>Cornwall Councillor Report</p> <p>Cllr. Keeling reported various items including:</p> <p>'The new governments "English White Paper" revolves around devolution of powers to local authorities and raises once more the thorny issue of mayoral and combined authorities. Cornwall has developed its own White Paper based on the level two deal we have entered into, which essentially recognises that Cornwall, which has National Minority Status and does not require a mayor. At the present time the council will not be putting forward any expressions of interest for combined authorities and elected Mayors. More information on all this in the new year.'</p>	
117/2425	<p>Accounts</p> <p>Clerk provided details of accounts for approval</p> <p>Discussed</p> <p>Proposed from the Chair and AGREED</p>	Clerk
118/2425	<p>Requests for Financial Support</p> <p>Porthleven Football Club</p> <p>Discussed</p>	

	Proposed from the Chair and AGREED to give no grant at this time as the Town Council have supported the club by submitting planning applications on the clubs behalf this year.	Chair
119/2425	Reports on Meetings Attended as a representative of Porthleven Town Council Cllr. Shainberg: Liaising with Clerk and BT to update broadband	
120/2425	Coastline Housing <i>The Mayor suspended standing orders to allow Mr Blackbeard to address the Members</i> Mr Blackbeard, Head of Housing Services – Coastline Housing, gave a brief presentation, copy attached. Concerns were raised over the number of properties being sold by Coastline in Porthleven, and although it was understood that money raised would be re-invested into new properties it is concerning that there is still a reduction in affordable / social housing in Porthleven. Mr Blackbeard noted that when a property became free then it will be assessed upon the cost to renovate for a new tenant eg new kitchen, bathroom etc against rental and sale value. However, Coastline have recognised the importance of communities and now also include this in evaluating what happens to a vacant property. For example, currently, there is no intention to sell any flats, becoming vacant, on Wheal Rose, Metella unless very uneconomical. The Members thanked Mr Blackbeard for his time	
121/2425	Vote of No Confidence – Cornwall Council’s Planning and Enforcement Department The Mayor presented Marazion Town Council's vote of no confidence against Cornwall Council Planning and Enforcement Department requesting the Town Council consider supporting their paper. Discussed Proposed from he Chair and deferred to allow Members time to consider in depth	
122/2425	Gibson Way Development The Clerk presented proposed name of the new development behind Gibson Way as “Gwel an Porth” which can be translated to “Harbour View”. Proposed from that Chair and AGREED to the new development name of Gwel and Porth	Clerk
123/2425	Twinning Association The Mayor presented proposal from Porthleven-Sithney-Guisseny Twinning Association to investigate twinning with a town in the Ukraine Discussed Proposed from the Chair and AGREED not to investigate at this time	Clerk
124/2425	20’s Plenty Clerk presented Cornwall Council proposals for new 20mph speed limits on roads within Porthleven Member were generally supportive of the scheme, however concern over the costs when it was not viable to drive over 20mph in the built-up areas due to parked cars etc. Not supportive of the increase speed proposed	

	on Methleigh Bottoms, by the Cricket Club, from the current 30mph to 40mph. Also noted that it would be advisable to pre-empt the guidance from Highways, on the new development behind Gibson Way, and extend the 30mph to Penrose Corner	Clerk
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There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signature: Cllr. Toy, Mayor

Date: 13th February 2025

JANUARY 2025 - EXPENDITURE EXCEEDING £100

CORNWALL COUNCIL: Non Domestic Rates Shrubberies Car Park	£ 104.00
CORNWALL COUNCIL: Non Domestic Rates Institute Cottage	£ 204.00
RICOH: Photocopier Dec - Feb / photocopies Sep - Nov	£ 117.83
STAFFING COSTS: Incs.all related oncosts	£ 7,974.46
CORSEV FACILITIES LTD: Public toilet cleaning	£ 1,087.50
S HORSCROFT: BSI consultant	£ 306.25
RANDLE THOMAS: Professional charges on Gig Club lease	£ 1,650.80
C THOMPSON: Expenses including Fasthosts website hosting and replacement toilet roll holders (Shute Lane)	£ 103.30