

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF PENRYN TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
28 APRIL 2015 IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, PENRYN, COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

Mrs G A Grant – Town Mayor

M Snowdon – Deputy Town Mayor

D Garwood, R P Mitchell, C S F Smith and C K Wenmoth

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Mrs M V Bennett (away), Mrs B Hulme (work), Mrs M K May (away), M J Mullins (personal), Mrs S Peters (personal) and E L Wilkes (ill).

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that Minutes 1 to 4 of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 14 April 2014 be approved as a correct record.

Proposed by Councillor D Garwood and seconded by Councillor M Snowdon

3. REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

A report from the Town Clerk on the previous year's activities and future projects was noted.

4. REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLORS

A report from Cornwall Councillor Mrs Mary May, presented by the Town Mayor, was noted.

5. REPORT FROM DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE

A report from Devon and Cornwall Police, presented by the Deputy Mayor, was noted.

6. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the public.

7. COMMUNITY ORGANISATION PRESENTATIONS

A number of community organisations that had benefitted from the Town Council's Community Grant fund in the past year attended the meeting and gave a presentation on their activities in Penryn.

- The **Cornwall Air Ambulance** had carried out five airlifts from Penryn in the past year. They invited members of the Council to attend a charity plant sale at the Air Ambulance Headquarters on 17 May.
- **BF Adventure** worked closely with Penryn schools and Penryn Job Centre. The Penryn branch of the Rotary Club had donated a cooking range for their new kitchen and the Community Grant from

the Town Council had funded a canoe. Over 400 people a year used their services and they had now been in operation for ten years. The site was designed to enable wheelchair access and employed 20–30 local people. They also catered for commercial activities such as birthday parties, team building events and childcare.

- **CHICKS** had spent the Community Grant on a respite break for a Penryn child. Almost one third of the children catered for in the last year were young carers. Each break catered for eight boys and eight girls accompanied by three male and three female carers.
- **ISight Cornwall** (formerly the Cornwall Blind Association) actively supported 45 people in Penryn, taking them to clubs in Truro, giving benefits advice and providing assistive technology devices.
- The **Dementia Action Alliance** was setting up a Memory Café and Dementia Friendly Community in Penryn. They talked to local schools to raise awareness and the University of Exeter was also a member. They would be holding a Dementia Friends session in the Town Hall on 21 May.
- **Falmouth and Penryn Lion's Club** had purchased a defibrillator for Penryn which was located with the Harbour Master on Exchequer Quay. They had donated funds raised to a number of local charities and organisations including PANTS, Olive Branch, sea cadets, Old Folks Club, Christmas Lights and the cricket festival as well as providing marshalling at many of the town's events. They had also organised a Message in a Bottle initiative at Penryn Surgery. The Lion's Club met every Thursday at the Falmouth Hotel at 7.00 p.m.
- **Penryn and District Twinning Association** had been providing local people with the opportunity to widen their horizons and visit with families in the twin town of Audierne for 40 years. They also raised funds for organisations in the town and forged links between the Town Councils of Penryn and Audierne.
- **Penryn Arts Festival** had been successful in securing a grant of £1.5k from the Arts Council and another £1k from FEAST in addition to the Town Council's contribution of £1.5k and the free use of all its community halls for the festival. This year's festival would take part between Friday 22 and Monday 25 May and comprised of 35 events, all but three of which were by artists and performers living or working in Penryn. The festival engaged the local community and promoted the town countywide with around 2000 people having attended last year's festival.

There being no further relevant business the meeting was declared closed at 8.20 p.m.

The Town Mayor thanked all the organisations for their presentations and the meeting was followed by a networking session and light refreshments.

Chairman