

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF PENRYN TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY 24 APRIL 2017 IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, PENRYN, COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M.

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COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

M Snowdon– Town Mayor

Mrs S Peters– Deputy Town Mayor

Mrs G A Grant, Mr D Garwood, Mr J Langan, Mrs M K May, Mr R P Mitchell, C S F Smith and C K Wenmoth

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**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Mrs B Hulme.

**2. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that Minutes 1 to 7 of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 25 April 2016 be approved as a correct record.

*Proposed by Councillor Mrs G A Grant and seconded by Councillor Mrs S Peters.*

**3. REPORT FROM DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE**

A report from PCSO Chris Braddon from Devon and Cornwall Police was noted.

**4. REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk gave a report on the previous year's activities and future projects. The report was noted.

**5. REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLORS**

A report from Cornwall Councillors Mrs Mary May and Tony Martin 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.

1. Active Plus – Tim Cocks and Paul Parkinson
2. Shelter (unable to attend but written report read out)
3. Carnon Carers – Sandra Tregidio
4. Nankersey Male Voice Choir (unable to attend but written report read out)
5. Penryn Neighbourhood Plan – Councillor Dave Garwood
6. Air Ambulance (unable to attend but written report read out)
7. Sea Cadets – Councillor Gill Grant
8. Annual Report from the University of Exeter – Ruth Grimmer
9. Beacon Regeneration – Jenny Richards
10. Twining Association – Chair Mary Owen

## **Penryn Annual Meeting report – April 2017**

### **Mark James (Community Link Officer)**

Throughout 2016/17 my main tasks in terms of supporting Penryn Town Council have been as follows:

#### **Supporting the Devolution of the Library Building and Service.**

Penryn Town Council decided at a very early stage in the County-wide debate about the future of the Library Service, to support the devolution of the Penryn Library to the town council. From the very first early meetings I have supported the Council in bringing this about. The main purpose of my involvement has been to be the first point of contact in the discussions, ensuring that the relevant services responded to questions asked by the council and ensuring that all of the most important information about the devolution process was provided.

I hope that this has been found to be of use to the Council and I will continue in this role until the successful devolution of the Library building and service has been completed.

#### **Wider Devolution proposals**

I have also been working on the devolution proposals that the Town Council have put forward in terms of a number of open spaces in and around the town centre.

I ensured that these proposals were recognised by Cornwall Council but due to the pressure on the Library Service, the open space devolution has been put on hold. Once the Library devolution has been completed I will work with the town council to ensure that these wider proposals are developed and the full ambitions of the Town Council are fulfilled.

#### **Neighbourhood Plans**

I have given a number of presentations to Cllrs about Neighbourhood Planning and answered a number of questions relating to how best to take the Neighbourhood Plan forward. One of my roles at Cornwall Council is lead officer for Neighbourhood Planning, advising town and the process and identifying the resource implications necessary to begin the plan.

I will continue to work with the Town Council, as lead Officer within Cornwall Council, to help Penryn deliver the appropriate plans for the community.

### **Falmouth, Penryn Community Network Panel**

As support officer for the Community Network Panel I ensure that matters that are of concern to Penryn and the surrounding Parishes are discussed with the relevant Cornwall Council Officers and other organisations. The Network Panel has achieved some significant results over the past year. Examples are the improvements to the A39 from Treluswell.

### **Mark James**

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