

# **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF PENRYN HELD ON MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7:00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, HIGHER MARKET STREET, PENRYN**

## **Councillors**

Tucker (Town Mayor), May (Deputy Mayor), Bennett, Doyle, Grant, Hanks, Harrison, Hernandez, Kirby, Langan, Milan, Ronchetti, Wenmoth, Widdon and Williams

## **In Attendance**

Helen Perry (Town Clerk)

## **98. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Jordan (away)

## **99. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS**

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensations

## **100. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No requests had been received from members of the public wishing to speak at the meeting.

## **101. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that minute numbers 78 to 97 of the meeting of the Council held on 4 October 2021 were approved and signed as a correct record

*Proposed by Councillor Langan and seconded by Councillor Doyle*

## **102. COMMITTEE MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Events Committee held on 5 October 2021 were noted.

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 18 October 2021 were noted

## **103. MINUTES FROM OUTSIDE GROUPS**

The minutes of the meeting of the Place Shaping Board held on 5 October 2021 were noted.

## **104. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Town Clerk reported;

- Wales and West – The works to the gas supply in West Street have met with some engineering difficulties, a further 10-week closure is anticipated. The works at Western Place/Brown's Hill will hopefully be completed prior to Christmas. With the additional road closure in January 2022.
- MS4N – Next gardening group volunteering session will take place at Glasney College Field from 10am until 1pm on Wednesday 3 November 2021.

## **105. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ENGAGEMENTS**

The list of Mayor's Engagements for the period 4 October to 31 October 2021 were noted.

## **106. REPRESENTATIONS BY CORNWALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND REPORTS BY COUNCILLORS ATTENDING EXTERNAL MEETINGS**

Cornwall Councillor Widdon reported;

- Housing – it is likely that due to the typography of the site at Commercial Road, that the emergency accommodation PODS will not proceed.
- Transport – that she has been in contact with the bus companies
- Asda Trolleys – more of the Asda trolleys are being held at the University Penryn Campus, there is a Collex app available to enable abandoned trolleys to be reported.
- Covid Cases – the queues of ambulances at Treliske Hospital are partly due to the 'enhanced distancing measures' that have been put in place.

## **107. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

The Town Clerk's report was noted.

## **108. ACCOUNTS – 1 SEPTEMBER TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**RESOLVED** that the list of accounts paid and the monthly statement for the period 1 to 30 September 2021 be approved.

*Proposed by Councillor Langan and seconded by Councillor Williams*

## **109. COMMUNITY GRANTS**

There was one request for a Community Grant from Circo Kernow.

It was **RESOLVED** that, in accordance with sections 1-8 of Part 1 of the Localism Act 2011 (General Power of Competence), a grant of £300 is awarded to Circo Kernow towards supplying a tutor for its workshops.

*Proposed by Councillor May and seconded by Councillor Grant*

## **110. PARK BETTER FOR PENRYN**

**RESOLVED** that the Town Council declares a Parking Crisis in the parish

*Proposed by Councillor Langan and seconded by Councillor Ronchetti*

It was further **RESOLVED** that Councillor Langan and Councillor Ronchetti are appointed as Penryn Town Council's representatives on a group to be formed by Cornwall Councillor Widdon. Cornwall Councillor Widdon will be responsible for the administration of the group.

*Proposed by Councillor Wenmoth and seconded by Councillor May*

## **111. PRE-BUDGET DISCUSSION**

The Clerk reported that currently the following have been requested to be included in the draft budget:

- Replacement Flags
- Preparation of the burial ground (lower part)

- Wired internet in the Council Offices

**RESOLVED** that Councillors email or telephone the Clerk by the 22 November 2021 with any additional items that they would like to be included in the 2022/23 draft budget.

*Proposed by Councillor May and seconded by Councillor Langan*

## **112. SOCIAL MEDIA**

The Town Mayor expressed how upset and hurt she felt over some of the recent social media postings by a member of the Council, one of which stated that the Council has “two bullies and five silent Councillors who vote with the bullies”

Following a discussion, Councillor Widdon apologised.

A request from Councillor Grant to name the bullies was declined.

## **113. INTERNAL AUDITOR - COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Langan gave a brief overview of the process of the Councillor internal audit.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Ronchetti be appointed as the Councillor internal auditor to replace Councillor Kirby.

*Proposed by Councillor Grant and seconded by Councillor Langan*

## **114. SARACEN AWARDS 2021**

The Clerk confirmed that no nominations had been received for Saracen Awards this year.

**RESOLVED** that no Saracen Awards be granted for 2021.

*Proposed by Councillor May and seconded by Councillor Langan*

## **115. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR**

**RESOLVED** that Hudson Accounting is appointed as the Council’s internal auditor for three years (2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25) at a cost of £700 per annum.

*Proposed by Councillor Widdon and seconded by Councillor May*

## **116. COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE**

The Councillor attendance for the first six months of the municipal/civic year (May to end Oct 2021) was noted.

There being no further business to transact the meeting was closed at 8:20pm

**CHAIRMAN**