Porthleven Town Council

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, HELD AT INSTITUTE COTTAGE, CLIFF ROAD ON THURSDAY, 13th FEBRUARY 2025 @ 7pm

Present:	Cllr. Toy (in the Chair)	Cllr. Short	Cllr. Berryman
	Cllr. Shainberg	Cllr. Horne	Cllr. Port
	C Thompson (Clerk)		
In Attendance:	Cllr. Keeling	Mr Grant	Mr Henshaw
	Mr & Mrs Hodges	Mr Millard	

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	Apologies for Absence Cllrs. Naylor, Munday and Berryman forwarded their apologies **Declaration of Interests** None	
128/2425	**To receive and approve minutes of the:** • **Town Council meeting held on 9th January** Proposed from the Chair and AGREED as a true and accurate record • **Special Town Council meeting held on 30th January** Proposed from the Chair and AGREED as a true and accurate record	
129/2425	**Matters arising from the minutes of the:** • **Town Council meeting held on 9th January** None • **Special Town Council meeting held on 30th January** None	
130/2425	**Planning – to receive and comment** **Planning Public Participation** Mr Hodges addressed the Town Council to note that he was re-submitting plans following an improved design **Category 1 applications:** **PA25/00398** Tolponds Cottage, Tolponds – Proposed car port, storage unit & decking area. Applicant: Mr Anton Jeffery Discussed Proposed by Cllr. Short, seconded by Cllr. Shainberg, and AGREED to support this application **PA25/00491** 59 St Peters Way – Proposed extension. Applicant: Mr Tim Hodges Discussed	Clerk

	Proposed from the Chair and AGREED to support this application **PA25/00576** Whitstone Cottage – Rethatching of northernmost section of roof Applicant: Mr George Lewis, National Trust Discussed Proposed from the Chair and AGREED to support this application **PA25/00012** 1 Sunnybank – Addition of Second Storey Habitable Space to Existing Garage Applicant: Mr & Mrs Joe & Claudia Grant Discussed Proposed by Cllr. Shainberg, seconded by Cllr. Port, and AGREED to support this application **<u>Category 2 applications:</u>** None	Clerk Clerk Clerk
131/2425	**Public participation (non-planning matters)** Mr Henshaw, Porthleven Museum, addressed the Town Council to request a representative to join a small working group to investigate organising a celebration of Porthleven Harbour for its 200-year anniversary. Noted that he was in discussion local groups including Porthleven Harbour and Dock Company. Mr Hodges addressed the issue of dog mess in the town.	
132/2425	**Observations upon matters raised during Public Participation** Porthleven Harbour 200-year anniversary - Cllr. Short volunteered to act as the Town Council representative Dog mess – Members noted that various schemes had been tried but had been unsuccessful in the long term. Clerk to report issue to Cornwall Council	 Cllr. Short Clerk
133/2425	**Mayor's Report** The Mayor attending meetings of the Porthleven Food Festival, Community Area Partnership, Heritage Lottery Fund and Bickford Smith Working Party. Also, represented Porthleven at the St Ives Feast Celebration, Marazion and Launceston Civic Service. Finally, attended a Community Hub coffee morning at the Public Hall	
134/2425	**Deputy Mayor's Report** No report	

135/2425	**Town Clerk's Report** Town Clerk reported various items including the following: **Redruth Town Council Letter re Allocation of Second Home Funding** Presented a letter from Redruth Town Council requesting that Cornwall Council should find a different way of proportioning the second home council tax premiums and have requested comments from Town and Parishes in Cornwall. This will be on the agenda next month for consideration **Sunflowers and Choughs Club** Presented a request on behalf of the Ukrainian community in Cornwall (around 800 families) and the Ukrainian-Cornish social club Sunflowers & Choughs, request that the Ukrainian flag be raised in recognition of three years of Russia's full-scale war against Ukraine. Clerk instructed to organize a flag **Bickford Smith Institute** Reported the Mayor, Steve Horscroft and Clerk have had a remote meeting with the Heritage Lottery Fund who have provided some additional guidance on Bickford Smith Institute expression of interest. With the guidance provided, and following authorization from the working party, we have commissioned Ward Williams to complete a quantity survey and are seeking pre-application advice from Cornwall Council including historic heritage / conservation advice	Clerk Clerk
136/2425	**Cornwall Councillor Report** Cllr. Keeling reported various items including: 'Cornwall Council debated the matter of the "English Devolution Deal". Cornwall has made it clear that there is no appetite for a multiple combined authority with an elected mayor, contrary to the expression of interest put forward by Plymouth for joining up with Devon, Torbay and Cornwall. There are 2 possible paths open to us: engage early in the process for a combined authority and mayor, or remain on the foundation level and then we could continue to campaign for a Cornwall Only footprint. However, no guarantees were given.' At the request of Members Cllr. Keeling agreed to chase for details to replace 'Porthleven' finger sign and discuss operation times for street sweepers in Porthleven with the Street Team	
137/2425	**Accounts** Clerk provided details of accounts for approval Discussed Proposed from the Chair and AGREED	Clerk
138/2425	**Requests for Financial Support** None	
139/2425	**Reports on Meetings Attended as a representative of Porthleven Town Council** Cllr. Shainberg and Horne reported attending the Bickford Smith Working Party meeting.	

	Cllr. Horne reported that she was the acting Chair of the Porthleven Public Hall & Women's Institute until the AGM to be held on 25th March	
140/2425	**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 the Chair and AGREED not to support a collective vote of no confidence	

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

Signature: …… Cllr. Toy, Mayor

Date: 13th March 2025

FEBRUARY 2025 - EXPENDITURE EXCEEDING £100

CORNWALL COUNCIL: Non Domestic Rates Shrubberies Car Park	£ 104.00
CORNWALL COUNCIL: Non Domestic Rates Institute Cottage	£ 204.00
EDF: BSI electricity	£ 317.94
STAFFING COSTS: Incs.all related oncosts	£ 4,035.85
CORSEV FACILITIES LTD: Public toilet cleaning / hygiene services	£ 1,178.15
SOURCE FOR BUSINESS: Water services public toilets	£ 1,739.65