



**MINUTES OF THE MARAZION TOWN COUNCIL 22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020  
MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY (ZOOM).**

**MEETING NUMBER 16/20**

**Present:** Cllrs Laity, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Hosking, Collins, Nicholas, Clayton, Trudgen, Read, Vincent & Walsh

**Apologies:** Cllr Britten and Mrs. Sue Nicholas CC

**Visitors:** None

**Public Speaking - none**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**210.** The Minutes having been circulated previously it was proposed by Cllr Trudgen and seconded Cllr Walsh that the minutes were deemed to be a true and correct record, carried unanimously.

**211. Matters arising from previous Minutes**

- a) Minute **094** of **07/20** (Footpath 14). Cllr Laity reported that no date for the previously reported meeting had still not been fixed. Cllr Laity reported that Cllr Sue Nicholas CC was due to meet the Community Network Manager shortly and will try to hurry this up
  
- b) Minute **136** of **10/20** (Beacon Brazier). The Mayor reported that his meeting with Mr. Thomas had been postponed and that this will have to be carried forward. The clerk reported that he had circulated the quote from Penwith Fabrications

Minute **423(b)(xi)** of **19/19** (paint steps between Turnpike Road and St. Levan Road). The clerk reported that nothing more had happened. He reminded the Council that Cllr Sue Nicholas was trying to arrange a meeting with local Estate Managers for LiveWest in the area, and would raise this then

- c) Minute **066** of **05/20** (Stone at entrance to Warspite Way). Cllr Laity advised that he had now agreed the wording with the Warspite Association. He also reported that LiveWest had agreed to contribute up to £300.00 towards the cost of the stone. The Council agreed that, in the event of the stone costing more than £300.00, it would pay the balance.
- d) Minute **462(b)** of **22/19** (Asset Risk Assessments). The clerk advised that not all had been returned, completed. He agreed to remind those Councillors who had not yet completed theirs
- e) Minute **157(a)** of **11/20** (Damage to the Dollan). The clerk reported that Mr. Hope's estimate had only just been received. This will have to be deferred.
- f) Minute **163(b)** of **12/20** (footpath by cemetery). This having been reported, Cllr Vincent felt that the section should be kept well-trimmed back. The suggestion to put a post and rail fence along the area in question was felt not to be advisable, as the path was not the Council's responsibility. It was suggested that this path should be discussed at the meeting relating to footpath 14. It was agreed that this item could now come off the agenda.
- g) Minute **166** of **12/20** (Gwallon Lane playground equipment signs). Cllr Laity reported that he had passed the wording to Cllr Read who had, in turn, passed it on the Outdoor Play People. This, too, can come off the agenda
- h) Minute **180(a)** of **13/20** (Bins for Folly Field and Gwallon Lane playgrounds). Cllr Reynolds reported that the bins had been received yesterday. Cllrs Collins and Read will liaise about fitting them
- i) Minute **180(c)** of **13/20** (Cycle rack in Folly Field). Cllr John Nicholas reported that he

had received various quotes for different cycle racks. He would pass these to Cllr Laity

j) Minute **187(a)** of **14/20** (parking restrictions at the cemetery). This matter now needs to be discussed with the new Highways' Manager. Cllr Sue Nicholas CC will arrange this meeting so this, and other Highways' issues can be discussed (e.g. parking opposite the Mount Haven Hotel).

k) Minute **187(b)** of **14/20** (Town "Walkabout")

i. **Cemetery – gravestones, seats and cremation plots.** It had been reported to Cllr Collins that some 5 gravestones were loose. Cllr Collins will speak to Mr. Cowley about this, and also with Cllrs John Nicholas and Reynolds. They will also try to settle with Mr. Cowley a type of granite seat that would have to be used for people who wished to place memorial benches in the cemetery. It was noted that a couple of the wooden benches in the cemetery were coming to the end of their useful lives.

ii. **Turnpike Road bus stop graffiti.** Cllr Laity shared a photograph, after which it was agreed that the graffiti needed to be painted over. Cllrs Collins and John Nicholas will liaise over this.

iii. **Oates Road.** Cllr Laity shared photographs from the Town Walkabout, showing that they had opened, and walked through, the closed gates to use the path as far as the cliff edge.

iv. **The Well seat in North Street.** Cllr Laity shared a photograph, after which it was agreed that a flat granite bench would be better. Cllrs Gabbie & Collins will ask Mr. Cowley what the cost would be

l) Minute **191(b)** of **14/20** (Armistice Parade). The Mayor updated the Council on this. It was felt unlikely that there would be an Armistice Parade this year. The clerk was asked to contact Mrs. Eddy as to whether she is coming in to check the stock of poppies. The clerk informed the Council that he would tell the RBL that he was now

standing down, and giving them the new clerk's details

- m) Minute **191(c)** of **14/20** (Square toilets, opening time). It was agreed that these should be kept open until at least the end of October. Cllr Collins reported that the change of toilets at the Folly Field had resulted in a considerable saving in water and sewerage charges.
- n) Minute **184(A)** of **15/20** (Flooding in Green Lane). Cllr Laity reported that this item was still waiting on the meeting with the various stakeholders to be arranged.
- o) Minute **206(a)** of **15/20** (Refurbishment of Gwallon Lane playground). Cllr Read reported that the works are progressing well. He also reported that the playground subcommittee had discussed the need for extra fencing and had agreed that it should be installed. Cllr Laity advised that, if it needed to be closed again, it should be properly secured. The Council agreed he could buy three padlocks and chains. The Council also agreed that proper signs could also be obtained from the sign-maker in Hayle, to replace the laminated ones that were being repeatedly torn down
- p) Minute **206(d)** of **15/20** (Purchase of second lap-top for accountant). This is to be deferred until it can be discussed with the new clerk

### **Councillors Reports:**

#### **212. Cllr Laity:**

- (a) Reported on Zoom subscriptions. It was agreed that, although a discount was available for signing up to a year's subscription, the Council would keep monthly subscriptions, as circumstances might change.
- (b) Updated the Council on the Cornwall Mayors' (virtual) meeting, arising from which the question of Christmas Lights was discussed.
- (c) Updated the Council on the recent Community Network Panel meeting. It was reported that the laying down of double yellow lines at Newtown Lane is imminent. "Wild Camping" and inconsiderate parking were also raised.

(d) Updated the Council about the Bay to Bay Cycle route

(e) Reported on the letter he had written to the Chair of Ludgvan Parish Council. Having shared the Chairman's reply, it was agreed that Cllr Laity could write back in the terms he suggested

(f) Reported the new e-mail address for the Town Clerk ([maraziontownclerk@gmail.com](mailto:maraziontownclerk@gmail.com))

**213.** Cllr Reynolds reported about the sale of a property in Shop Hill, the Agents' details for which mention a parking space. It was agreed that Cllr Reynolds would supply a link to the Agent's website and that the clerk should write to the seller, and to the agents, making it clear that the parking space did not go with the property.

**214.** Cllr Trudgen reported that he had had to unblock the Ladies' toilets at the Square. He reiterated the need to sort out the flaunching of the drain over the winter.

## Planning

**215. Applications for planning permission.** Before either of the following were discussed, Cllr Read declared an interest and was placed in the virtual, Zoom, waiting room until after the decisions had been taken

- a. **PA20/06637.** Removal of existing scantle tile roof covering and replacement with Cuppa Spanish slate tiles. Staverton, Higher Fore Street. Mr. Malcolm Skinner. It was proposed by Cllr Hosking, seconded by Cllr Clayton and carried unanimously that the application be supported
- b. **PA20/06824.** Construction of dormer windows, loft conversion and associated works. 4 Gwel Park, Gwallon Lane. Mr. Robin Chapman. Before this application was discussed, Cllr Reynolds declared an interest and was placed in the virtual waiting room. It was proposed by Cllr Trudgen, seconded by Cllr Clayton and carried unanimously, that

the application be supported

To receive details of planning permissions granted:

- a. **PA20/01775.** Mr. Derek Laity. Marazion Town Hall. Listed Building consent: refurbishment of clock on all faces/sides
- b. **PA20/05041.** Mr. Ben Matthews. Land south of 1 Mount View Terrace. Construction of a detached dwelling

And planning applications refused: None notified

## **Correspondence**

**216.** The clerk reported on:

- a) E-mail from a resident concerning the Memorial Garden wall. After discussion, it was agreed that the clerk should reply in terms that the repair was a temporary one and the Council will see how it weathers, it having been noted that the sun-light had done some bleaching
- b) The letter received from an Allotment Holder, giving up his allotment. Cllr Reynolds and Collins will take some time shortly to deal with the allotments generally.

## **217. Clerk's Report.**

The clerk had nothing to report

## **Financial and Confidential matters**

**218.** Ratify payment to outgoing clerk of unused underpayment to leave. The Clerk having previously briefed the Council on this. It was proposed by Cllr Walsh, seconded by Cllr Collins, that this sum be paid.

**219.** Maypole Garden wall. Cllr Laity shared a photograph, after which a course of action was agreed.

**220.** Receipts and payments:

Marazion Playing Field Association (grant to playground refurbishment) £20,000.00

**Direct credits from Community Account statement of 7<sup>th</sup> September**

Mrs. S. Riddell (interment of ashes to take place in October)	£311.75
HMRC (VAT repayment)	£3,752.84
Mr. F. I. J. Nicholas (garage rent)	£50.00

Payments. Approve the payments listed on the payments schedule

**THE SCHEDULE**

Ross Beard (soil removal)	£1,600.00
Ross Beard (sexton's fees)	<u>£420.00</u>
(one cheque for)	£ 2,020.00
Andy Hope (repairs to Memorial Garden wall, as quoted)	£600.00
Outdoor Play People (stage payment invoice)	£11,044.32
Glasdon UK Ltd (new bins)	£1,929.78

**Direct debits from Community Account statement of 7<sup>th</sup> September**

EDF (sundry electrical accounts)	£233.00
Sage Software Ltd (accounts package hire)	£24.00
BT Group Plc (Telephone and Broadband)	£201.32
Pennon Water (Folly Field WCs)	£915.44
British Gas (toilet electricity)	£47.13
Pennon Water (Square WCs)	£497.12

It was proposed by Cllr Trudgen and seconded Cllr Hosking that the payments be paid,

carried unanimously.

**221.** Retirement of Town Clerk and New Town Clerk. In the absence of the Clerk, Cllr Laity updated the Council

**222.** There being no further business the Mayor closed the meeting at 21.15 hours.

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**Town Mayor**