



**MINUTES OF THE MARAZION TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY 25th JANUARY 2022 TOWN HALL MARAZION**

**Meeting number 17/21/22**

Present: Cllr D Laity Chairman, Cllr W Collins, Cllr J Nicholas, Cllr R Stokoe, Cllr P Hoskings, Cllr J Rawlins, Cllr P Read, Cllr G Reynolds

**In attendance:**

Mrs T Unstead Town Clerk

**945 Apologies**

Cllr R Clayton

**946 Public Participation**

The agent for planning application PA21/12400 attended to speak on behalf of the applicant explaining the details of the application to the Council. Councillors asked questions about access to the property during construction and implications especially as access is via a narrow lane. The agent assured the council that such concerns would be communicated to the applicant.

The retaining wall in the Memorial Gardens is under the ownership of the Town Council, the wall giving way a few years ago. At the time it was agreed with the applicants that the cost to repair the wall would be shared between them and the council. The agent is fully aware of the history of the wall having been involved beforehand when the wall gave way and indicated that the applicant would be prepared to rectify any problems should they arise.

Candidate for Marazion Town Council Councillor vacancy in attendance for agenda item number 10.

**947 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Read agenda item number 22 en bloc.  
Cllr Reynolds agenda item number 22 (i).  
Cllr Hoskings agenda item number 22(iii).

## 948 Dispensations

None

## 949 Mayors Report – Matters of Urgency

The Mayor Cllr Laity reported that:

- i On the 13<sup>th</sup> of January 2022, he had attended a Beach Clean on Marazion Beach organised by Cornwall Wildlife Trust.
- ii On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022 he met with a freelance travel reporter for the Daily Mail spending time showing him around Marazion.
- iii On Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January he and the Mayoress attended at St Michaels Mount for the launch of the Mounts Bay Gig Clubs new Cornish Pilot Gig named Ictus.
- v He had reported to him a large crack in the supporting walls in the bridge crossing the Red River. This has been reported to Cornwall Council.
- vi A meeting had taken place with Officers from Cornwall Council about the Marazion Traffic Management Proposals. 30 replies received, 15 objections, 10 in support and 5 requiring more information.  
Objections received relate to the propose narrowing of the road by the Godolphin Estate and limited waiting 2 hours no return within 4 hours Turnpike Road opposite Mount Haven Hotel and outside cemetery.

A discussion took place about the road narrowing by the Godolphin Estate and the consensus was that this measure should not be implemented.

The limited waiting 2 hours no return within 4 hours by the cemetery should be implemented as proposed.

The only amendment is to the limited waiting 2 hours no return in Turnpike Road opposite Mount Haven Hotel this to remain but only from 09:00am until 6.00pm.

## 950 Clerks Report

The Town Clerk reported that:

- i The Folly Field bus shelter had recently been subject to graffiti which has been reported to Devon and Cornwall Police. A crime reference number issued, and photos of the graffiti passed onto the Police.
- ii She has once again contacted Community Payback as there are works that Community Payback can get involved with in and around the town.



- iii West Penwith Highways Funding is seeking expressions of interest in respect of highways projects. Expression of Interests must be submitted by the 20<sup>th</sup> of February 2022. There will be a report brought to Council on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> of February 2022.
- v Training had been undertaken with Cornwall Council Case Work Assist. Case Work Assist is a means of submitting a request for action or information directly to Cornwall Council. A request about the freehold for The Square toilets has been submitted.
- vii A meeting with Parking Services had taken place about a Service Level Agreement for extra parking enforcement. There will be a report brought to Council on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> of February 2022.

**951 Correspondence Received.**

- i Letter received from a young resident requesting that the Council considers providing a skatepark for the young people of Marazion. Cllr Laity has spoken to the young resident and a ramp in the play area at Warspite Way is what they would like.
- ii E-mail received from resident about cracks to paving St Levan Road. Cllr Reynolds made mention of the steps and white lining. The Town Clerk to contact LiveWest.
- iii E-mail received from resident about squeaking swing in the Folly Field play area. Cllr Nicholas offered to grease the offending swing.
- v E-mail received from resident about telephone boxes

**952 Councillor Reports**

**a) Town Councillors**

**i Cllr Reynolds**

Reported that:

The application for City Status and subsequent publicity had made Marazion Town Council look stupid. Cllr Reynolds recognised that she had missed meetings however the feedback she had received in person and via social media had incensed her and she wants to hear no more about it.

Seats need to be secured to the ground in a way that can be moved if needs be. After the disappearance of the seat at Wheal An Wens there is opportunity for others to be taken. The seats in The Square are under the ownership of Marazion Town Trust as are the ones by the War Memorial. The Town Clerk will speak to Marazion Town Trust and an agenda item for the council meeting Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

Parking Enforcement Officers have been visiting the town over recent weeks which is welcomed. However, it is in the summer months visits are needed and not so much during January.



White lining on the edge of the steps from Turnpike Road up to St Levan Road is needed. The Town Clerk will report to LiveWest. (Already mentioned in 951ii)

A dog sign near the Dinghy Pen has fallen and needs to be put back up. The Town Clerk to investigate.

There appears to be a pipe that has appeared at a property in North Street, the pipe possibly leaking water onto the road. Cllr Read explained that some works had taken place by the property owner and the pipe is a way of discharging excess water collected in the property. Cllr Reynolds to send details to the Town Clerk.

**ii Cllr Nicholas**

Reported that:

There is an urgent need for an alarm to be fitted to the accessible toilet. A quote had been sought, £310 for parts and labour.

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve the spend of £310 on an emergency alarm. Cllr Nicholas will action immediately.

**iii Cllr Stokoe**

Reported that:

He has been on a mission reporting missing signage to Cornwall Council. Missing signs reported will be replaced.

He had met with a Parish Councillor from Cury Parish Council about the production of an Emergency Plan.

As he is jet washing part of his property that backs onto The Square toilets, he offered to jet wash areas of the toilet block that needs it. Councillors agreed and thanked Cllr Stokoe for the offer.

**v Cllr Collins**

Reported that:

He has concerns about the size of the bus shelter Turnpike Road. The bus shelter is too small to accommodate all the young people using the bus shelter who wait for public transport. Further exploration and investigation are needed and a report with all the facts to be brought before Full Council to consider.

**vi Cllr Hoskings**

Reported that:

The pampass grass on the verge near the entrance to the Godolphin Estate has grown so big that the welcome and speed limit sign are obscured. The Town Clerk to contact Cornwall Council again. It may well be that the Town Council contributes to its removal. Cllr Laity suggested that perhaps Cllr Hosking could obtain some estimates for the work.

**b) County Councillor**

Cllr Sheffield Wong was not in attendance but sent a written report which covered,



Footpath 14 and access, Red River and monies owed to the Marazion Playing Fields Association.

**953 Minutes of the Council Meeting on Tuesday 11th January 2022.**

Members considered the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

**RESOLVED** – unanimously that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022 be approved and signed as a correct and accurate record.

**954 Councillor Vacancy**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously to co-opt Mr John Tutchier.

**955 Budget Monitoring Quarter 2 and Quarter 3**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously to note.

**956 Insurance Reinstatement Cost Assessment Seawall Maypole Gardens.**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve the spend of £500 plus VAT and engage Barrett Corp Harrington.

**957 BT Telephone Boxes**

- a) **RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve deferring the engagement of a contractor to carry out refurbishment of the Feliskirk telephone box until Truro College and another local contractor who can sandblast have been spoken to.
- b) **RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve that the Trevenner Square telephone box is to be painted traditional post 1968 Currant Red with Gold Crown using a local contractor.
- c) **RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve that the Feliskirk Lane telephone box is to be painted traditional post 1968 Currant Red with Gold Crown.
- d) **RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve the balloting of residents of the Godolphin Estate.
- e) **RESOLVED** – a substantive motion approved by a majority vote that a budget of £5000 is allocated for the refurbishment of the BT Telephone boxes.

**958 Proposal to create a multimedia GPS enabled smartphone Marazion Tourist Walk.**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously to approve Cllr Stokoe to work on such a project and to liaise with the Marazion Chamber of Commerce and to demonstrate the multimedia walk to Full Council once complete.

**959 Cycle Path Marazion-Penzance**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve the sending of a letter of compliment to the Chief Executive of Cornwall Council.

**960 Tender Documents Grounds Maintenance and Grass Cutting Contract**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to defer approving the documents until Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2022.

**961 Approved Contractors List**



**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve the advertising for contractors for small works on the Town Councils website.

**962 Maypole Gardens (Minutes 694 and 936d)**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to defer until the outcome of the insurance reinstatement cost is known.

**963 Matters Arising**

a Minute 094 (Footpath 14)

Cllr Sherfield-Wong reported that signage has been erected warning people not to use the footpath, and if they do it is at their own risk. Cornwall Council will not be liable if someone uses the path and gets injured.

b **Minute 184 (Flooding Green Lane)**

No further update

c **Minute 381 (Footpath number 8)**

Note that the Town Clerk due to other priorities has yet to review the process and resources needed.

d **Minute 694 (Maypole Gardens repair works)**

No further action until the quote for insurance reinstatement assessment has been received and the Councils insurers confirm if the seawall can be insured (minute 956).

e **Minute 768 (Seawall Insurance)**

As per minute 956

f **Minute 806(a)(i)(Accessibility Folly Field toilets)**

A report is to be brought before Full Council outlining costs and works programme.

g **Minute 831 (Councillor Vacancy)**

As per minute 954

h **Minute 853 (Emergency Planning Working Group to visit St Michaels Mount)**

The Town Clerk reported that she has asked if a meeting can be held on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February afternoon. Awaiting a reply.

i **Minute 861(Defibrillators)**

No further update. The Town Clerk to make contact again with the Methodist Church and Trevenner Stores.

j **Minute 906 (i)(concern about CCTV cameras and public toilets)**

As per minute 970.

k **Minute 907(i)(Lamp Columns The Square)**

Cllr Read reported that the lamp columns are in good order and not moving as originally reported.

l **Minute 907(iii)(Plastic Free Charter for Marazion and Free Fill facility)**



Cllr Rawlins advised that a meeting is due to be held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022.

- m **Minute 911 (Vandalised Light Bus Shelter)**  
The source of the electric still must be found before any works can take place. This is ongoing.

**964 Any other matters arising not covered by items above.**

None

**965 Finance**

a) **Statement of Accounts**

**RESOLVED** – to note the statements of accounts as of the 20th of January 2022.

c) **Accounts for Payment**

None to approve

d) **Receipts**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to note.

e) **Direct Debits**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve.

f) **Pre-payments**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve.

**966 Planning**

a) Applications for Planning Permission

i **Application PA21/12400**

**Location** Bel Air Rosehill Marazion TR17 0HB

**Proposal** Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of new dwelling.

**RESOLVED** – Marazion Town Council objects to this application.

The proposed application is in the Marazion Conservation area and in a prominent part of the historic town, set behind the Memorial Garden and close to what is believed to be one of the oldest buildings in the town, the Quakers Meeting House. (Circa 1688 listed building No. 1143785).

The proposed dwelling would dominate the landscape, be overbearing of the surrounding area, have an adverse effect on the neighbourhood and listed building and be an over development of the site.



- ii **Application PA22/00183**  
**Location** Wheal Down House Trenow Lane Marazion TR20 9NY  
**Proposal** Replacement dwelling and garage

**RESOLVED** – Marazion Town Council objects to this application.

The proposed application is in a prominent position in the open countryside highly visible from public footpaths. It is an overdevelopment of the site and considerably larger than the property than it is replacing. This is contrary to Policy 7 of the CLP where a replacement dwelling in the open countryside should be of similar size to the original. The proposed dwelling has a much larger footprint than the original dwelling and not on sited on that same footprint.

There is a large amount of glazing highly visible glazing which would have an adverse effect on the AONB.

The site plan appears to show the entire land and not only the land proposed for the new dwelling.

If this application were to be considered for approval it should come with conditions for no further permitted development.

- iii **Application PA22/00285**  
**Location** Tudor Chippy Road Between Green Lane and The Square West End Marazion.  
**Proposal** Proposed new window and some composite timber cladding.

**RESOLVED** – Marazion Town Council objects to this application.

The Town Council agrees with the comments of the Design and Access statement, that the proposals are highly significant because the building occupies a prominent position on the main road through the town and can be seen from the main beaches and from the sea. The street also lies in the Marazion, not Penzance conservation area.

The front of the building maybe mock Tudor but it has been in place for a considerable amount of time and is a much-loved landmark within the town.

There is known to be photographic evidence of its existence from 1960 and probably well before

The fact that it is different from the rest of the street scene and Cornwall's street scene should mean that its uniqueness is preserved.

The cost of and difficulty in keeping this building unique should not be a consideration for destroying part of Marazions heritage. Using this reasoning would set up a dangerous precedent for allowing any old building that is difficult and expensive to be maintained to be lost forever.

Marazion town wishes to keep is architecture and uniqueness and does not want to have a similar appearance to the architecture of St Ives, Falmouth, and other areas near the sea.

The proposal would have a negative impact on the neighbourhood and street scene.

- b) **Applications Approved/Refused**  
**PA21/10649 APPROVED**

**Applicant:** Mr Graham Beckett

**Location:** 6 Godolphin Terrace Marazion TR17 0EX





**Proposal:** Small extensions to the southwest elevation (sea view) forming a balcony and balustrading with increased accommodation to the bedrooms and photovoltaic panels embedded into the roof plane, to the northeast (rear) elevation a new porch and flat roof ext.

c) **Correspondence**

Noted.

**967 The Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Deems that all information held by this Council should be freely available to the public unless it falls under one of 23 exemptions.

**968 Data Protection Act 2018**

Precludes this authority from publishing the names, addresses or other private information of individuals unless written permission is given by the individual for such details to be made public.

Therefore, where necessary, personal details have been removed from the papers attached to ensure that information held is available, but individuals are protected.

**969 Part II**

(Private)

Items which may be taken in the absence of the public and press on grounds that Exempt information may be disclosed as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 and Public Bodies (admissions) Act 1960.

To move that in the view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted viz; information where public disclosure at this time may be prejudicial to the good business of the Council, it is in the public interest that they be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with Standing Order 3d  
**RESOLVED** – to move into Part II

**970 East End Marazion**

Cllr Laity gave an update and sought the views of the Full Council which will be fed back to the Councils appointed legal representative.

**971 Minute 906(i)**

The Town Clerk gave an update in respect of camera useage.

**973 Marine Management Organisation Letter St Aubyn Estates.**

Cllr Laity advised Full Council and sought support for a letter to be sent to the Marine Management Organisation. Councillors agreed.



Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Derek Laity', written over a horizontal line.

Cllr Derek Laity  
Town Mayor