



MINUTES OF THE MARAZION TOWN COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 8TH AUGUST 2023 TOWN HALL MARAZION

Meeting number 07/23

Present: Cllr W Collins Chairman, Cllr J Nicholas Deputy Chairman, Cllr P Hosking, Cllr J Tutchier, Cllr D Laity, Cllr G Reynolds, Cllr D Walsh, Cllr R Stokoe.

In attendance:

Mrs T Unstead Town Clerk
One member of the public
Cornwall Councillor John Martin.

1746 Apologies

Cllr J Rawlins
Cllr R Clayton
Cllr P Read

1747 Declarations of Interest

Cllr P Hoskin Marazion Christmas Lights

1748 Dispensations

None.

1749 Public Participation.

None.

1750 Mayors Report/Matters of Urgency

The Town Mayor reported that:

On Friday 28th July 2023 he attended a meeting with members of Ludgvan Parish Council and Cornwall Council officers about the possibility of re-opening Marazion station.

The latest assessment made by the rail industry and the complexity and costliness in building new rail infrastructure, it is recommended that the Parishes seek to explore bus based and active travel solutions rather than rail-based solutions to the challenges presented particularly in the summer months in Marazion". Noting that local stakeholders

may have a different view a Cornwall Council officer reiterated that at this time Cornwall Council does not have any funding to support the costs of the feasibility work (estimated at £50,000) to investigate the matter further.

A few actions were agreed which will be considered at a future meeting, in the meantime the Town Clerk will circulate the briefing note and meeting summary.

On Thursday 3rd August 2023 he attended the consecration of the new part of Marazion Cemetery.

Bishop Philip Ian Mounstephen, Bishop of Truro performed the consecration ceremony which was also attended by Marazion town councillors, Canon Reverend Nigel Marns, Reverend Sophie Troczynska, Church Wardens from All Saints Church and Marazion Methodist Church, members of Marazion churches congregations, the Town Clerk and the contractor responsible for the cemetery grounds maintenance.

Having had a walk around the town with the Town Clerk on Monday 7th August 2023, there are areas within the town that need a general tidy up for example the sweeping up of leaves at the entrance of the Memorial Garden, removal of moss from the Memorial Garden footpaths.

Cllr Collins proposed to the Full Council consider engaging the contractor who has carried out works for the town council beforehand.

RESOLVED – to unanimously approve the engagement of the contractor on an hoc basis to carry out works to be agreed as and when needed.

Proposed – Cllr W Collins

Seconded – Cllr J Nicholas

1751 Clerks Report.

The Town Clerk reported that:

- i they will be on annual leave from Friday 11th August 2023 until Tuesday 22nd August 2023 and annual leave arrangements will be circulated to all councillors.
- ii there is an ashes interment taking place on Monday 14th August 2023. All arrangements have been made.
- iii a small Cornish youth group called Citizen for Life will be using the St Thomas Hall on Friday 8th September 2023.
- iv a Case Assist enquiry had been submitted about the vehicles seemingly abandoned Trevenner Lane. As reported by Cornwall Council the vehicles are not abandoned and as they are not on the highway there is nothing more that can be done.
- v a Case Assist enquiry had been submitted about the lack of cutting of the grass verges St Levan Road. A response has been received advising that the Ragwort would be cut however no mention of the grass verges, so a further query has been raised about the cutting of the grass verges.

1752 Correspondence Received.

- i EDF Energy bill received at the Town Hall for the Marazion Christmas Lights. No address just posted through the town hall letter box. The bill has been passed back to EDF Energy.

1753 Councillors Reports.

a) Cornwall Councillor J Martin

Reported that:

He had been approached by Disability Cornwall who had shared with him plans for the development a property in St Erth into a state-of-the-art Disability Centre.

Has arranged a meeting with the Cornwall Council Highways Manager to visit St Levan Road to discuss onsite the issues encountered by residents of St Levan Road.

He has been called as a substitute to the West Penwith Strategic Planning Committee, Thursday 10th March 2023 about the development of a 40-hectare solar farm in the north of the division.

As an individual he will be attending the protest being held in Penzance about the closure of the ticket office on Wednesday 9th August 2023.

b) Town Councillor Reports.

i Cllr J Nicholas

Reported that:

It appears that Marazion Town Council is providing the electric to the RNLI, the supply coming from the Folly Field toilets. Cllr Nicholas will forward the meter numbers to the Town Clerk who will check and report back at the next Full Council meeting, Tuesday 12th September 2023.

ii Cllr D Laity

Reported that:

An action from the town walkabout needs to be formally recorded. A short discussion took place and the Town Clerk advised that the best course of action will be for an agenda item at the meeting of the next Full Council, Tuesday 12th September 2023.

iii Cllr G Reynolds

Reported that:

Not a report but asked if the benches for the Maypole Gardens had been ordered. The Town Clerk advised that yes, they had, and the benches are being delivered on the 23rd of August 2023.

The Town Council noticeboard needs refurbishing. The Town Clerk reminded councillors that they had previously agreed to the refurbishment but only when pigeon spikes had been installed above. Cllr Collins offered to speak to a local contractor about the installation of pigeon spikes and that, if necessary, he along with the help of Cllr Nicholas will install.

A resident had complained about the state of the grass verge located at the entrance to Marazion. Where the pampass grass was removed holes in the ground remain and the

area is generally unkempt.

The Town Clerk advised that a Case Assist enquiry had been formerly submitted to Cornwall Council and due to it being No Mow May, the grass verge would not be cut. The Town Clerk will submit another Case Assist enquiry.

iv Cllr R Stokoe

Reported that:

He had reported faded signage and the lack of the litter bin being emptied at Top Tieb to Cornwall Council.

The second edition newsletter is being drafted so please forward any news articles, photographs, or articles of public interest.

v Cllr J Tutchier

Reported that:

A resident has reported to him that young people are getting onto the roof of the cemetery bus shelter and jumping off into the road. Although he hasn't yet had the opportunity to have a look, if the young people are doing so then the town council needs to consider measures to prevent this happening. Cllr Nicholas offered to go and look.

He will be bringing the business case for the Speed Radar signs to the next Full Council meeting, Tuesday 12th September 2023.

vi Cllr P Hoskings

Reported that:

The No Entry sign by the Cutty Sark looks is damaged. The Town Clerk will report.

There is a hedge overgrown affecting the road near the TollHouse and Wheal An Wens. The Town Clerk will report.

vii Cllr D Walsh

Reported that:

He had visited the School Box which smelt very unsavoury. However, someone has now cleaned it and it smells much better.

There is a rosemary bush overgrowing onto the pavement, Turnpike Road. The Town Clerk will report.

1754 Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 24th July 2023.

RESOLVED – unanimously approved.

Proposed: -Cllr D Walsh

Seconded: - Cllr J Tutchier.

1755 Planning

a) Application PA23/05389

Proposal:- Demolition and replacement of rear kitchen extension, Demolition and rebuild of ground and first floor stairwell projection to rear of property. Window replacement. Internal alterations.

Location:-The Old Lookout West End Marazion Cornwall

Applicant:- Mr and Mrs Joe and Sarah Stevenson

Grid Ref:-151782 / 30612

RESOLVED – to unanimously support the comments made by Historic Planning.

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Seconded: - Cllr R Stokoe

b) **Application PA23/05390**

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c) **Applications Approved/Refused/Appeals - Cornwall Council.**

None.

d) **Planning Correspondence.**

None.

1756 Scheme of Delegation

RESOLVED – to unanimously approve.

Proposed: -Cllr D Laity

Seconded: - Cllr P Hosking.

1757 Grant Request Marazion Christmas Lights

RESOLVED – to unanimously approve to grant a sum of £272.24 with an application for £200 to be submitted to Cornwall Councillor Martin's Community Chest fund.

Proposed: -Cllr W Collins

Seconded: - Cllr D Laity

1758 Civil Parking Enforcement: Town and Parish Council Partnership Working with Cornwall Council – Options Version 3 February 2011.

RESOLVED – unanimously approved for the Town Clerk to write to the Cornwall Council Cabinet Member and Cornwall Council Chief Executive asking for a definitive answer to the questions raised about the service level agreement held for the provision of parking enforcement in Marazion and associated costs and reimbursements.

Proposed: -Cllr R Stokoe

Seconded: - Cllr J Tutchier

1759 Purchase Pay as You Go Mobile Phone.

RESOLVED – majority approved.

Proposed: -Cllr D Laity

Seconded: - Cllr D Walsh

1780 Community Infrastructure Grant Application – Folly Field Play Area,

RESOLVED – unanimously approved to submit the grant application form.

Proposed: -Cllr W Collins

Seconded: - Cllr P Hosking

1781 Matters Arising from previous Minutes.

a **Minute 184** (flooding Green Lane).

No update.

b **Minute 381** (Footpath number 8) – note that the Town Clerk due to other priorities has yet to review the process and resources needed.

c **Minute 1113** (play area repairs).

Cllr Collins advised the Full Council that there are a few repairs needed at the Folly Field play area as the ageing play equipment is becoming hazardous.

After much debate it was proposed that all unsafe equipment is to be removed.

RESOLVED – unanimously approved to remove any unsafe equipment.

Proposed: -Cllr D Laity

Seconded: - Cllr D Walsh

d **Minute 1378(b)(viii)** (new traffic management scheme and implementation).

The Town Clerk will call the officer again.

e **Minute 1620** (speed radar signage).

Refer to minute 1753(b)(v)

f **Minute 1668(iv)** (fabrication metal bracket Folly Field toilets).

No update.

g **Minute 1668(vii)** (mobile post office)

Cllr Walsh has prepared a petition which will be distributed locally. Cllr Tutchier offered to send Cllr Walsh a link to an online petition creating website. If 10,000 signatures can be reached then the local MP has to bring the petition to the attention of central government.

h **Minute 1739** (Actions to be agreed annual town walkabout).

Refer to minute 1751 (v, vi).

1782 Any other matters arising from Minutes not covered by items above.

None.

1783 Finance

RESOLVED – unanimously approved en bloc.

Proposed: - Cllr J Nicholas

Seconded: - Cllr P Hosking.

- a) Statement of Accounts – as of the 2nd of August 2023.
- b) Accounts for payment as presented.
- c) Receipts as presented.
- d) Direct Debits as presented.
-) Pre-payments as presented.

1784 The Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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

1785 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.

Signed

Cllr William Collins
Town Mayor