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Town Mayor: Cllr R S Barnes

Town Clerk: P B Bennett

Minutes of a Meeting of the Redruth Town Council Operations Committee held at Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth on Monday 4th September 2023

Present: Cllr W Tremayne Chair
Cllr S Barnes
Cllr A Biscoe
Cllr H Biscoe
Cllr P Broad
Cllr M Brown
Cllr B Craze
Cllr R Major
Cllr C Skinner
Cllr I Thomas

In attendance: Ms A Hunt Operations Officer
Ms C Coomber Administration Manager
Mr C Strugnell Facilities Supervisor

PART I - PUBLIC SESSION

1546.1 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Garrick, Reeve, Smith & Ellenbroek (other commitments).

1546.2 Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda

None were declared.

1546.3 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Operations Committee held on 3rd July 2023

RESOLVED by Majority to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of the Operations Committee held on 3rd July 2023 as a true and accurate record of proceedings. [Proposed Cllr Barnes; Seconded Cllr H Biscoe] Cllrs Broad & Tremayne abstained as they had not been present at the meeting

1546.4 Clerks Report

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

The Clerk advised that no further information had been received from Cornwall Council in relation to Strawberry Fields. The telephone kiosk adopted by the Town Council had now been returned to its original location on Fore Street and secured by the Facilities Team pending a decision from the Engagement Team as to its future use.

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Possible devolution of Treskerby Playing Field to the Town Council was in the hands of Councillor Donnithorne, who would be asked for an update. The public conveniences at New Cut car park had been reopened to the public, with no reports of major ASB since reopening. The Town Clerk had been advised of the request for wider discussion relating to the public conveniences to be placed on the agenda for the next Full Council meeting.

The Clerk advised that correspondence had been received from the Post Office confirming that the facility would remain closed, following the failure to reach an agreement with a temporary postmaster. The Post Office had confirmed that it still wished to reinstate a permanent post office in Redruth, and potential applicants/interested parties should be encouraged to register via the Post Office website.

Councillors were advised that Link had agreed to revisit the possibility of provision of a banking hub in Redruth. This work was ongoing, and updates would be provided as appropriate. The Operations Officer advised that there would be an open meeting taking place on 20th September asking members of the public what they would like to see for the future of the town centre. Details would be confirmed prior to the meeting. Cllrs Thomas and Tremayne suggested that there be clear information provided about what the Town Council could and could not do.

The Town Clerk had been advised of the request to make a formal approach to Cornwall Council, asking them to investigate the option of replacing the trees on Fore Street with more appropriate species for the area. Cllr H Biscoe commented that the sap was particularly bad compared to previous years, but this was potentially due to the unusual heat during June.

The report was noted.

1546.5 To receive correspondence.

No correspondence has been received.

1546.6 To receive a report on the work of the Facilities Department

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Facilities Manager was pleased to report that the New Cut toilets had been reopened, since when there had been no reports of serious antisocial behaviour. Unfortunately, the suggested UV lighting installation was cost prohibitive at this point. An appointment had been made with the Town Clerk for a company to carry out a site survey on 7th September to discuss the future works.

The Facilities Manager informed members that he had received comments from users asking for the new path at East End to be extended to the footpath behind MY Motors. He suggested the placement of matting in this area as it had not been included as part of the original path design but would benefit access.

Cllr Biscoe commented that the Facilities Team had done a great job this year with the floral display, suggesting that the Facilities Manager contact Carn Brea Parish Council as they used a company to water their display. The report was noted.

1546.6.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to support the placement of matting to create an extended path at East End Skate Park [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr Brown]

1546.7 To receive a report on the work of the Administration Department

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Administration Manager gave an overview of the report and asked for any questions. The report was noted.

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1546.8 **To consider a draft policy on the provision of salt bins**

A report and draft policy had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Operations Officer outlined the details of potential costs of provision.

1546.8.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to approve the draft policy subject to enquiries being made with Cormac reference their policy on residents obtaining salt provision directly from Cormac Depot [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded Cllr A Biscoe]

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W Tremayne". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chair