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Town Mayor: Cllr A Biscoe

Town Clerk: C Williams

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Asset Management Committee held at Redruth
Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth on Monday 7th September 2026**

Present:

Cllr E Allen	Chair
Cllr D Reeve	Vice-Chair
Cllr S Barnes	
Cllr A Biscoe	
Cllr H Biscoe	
Cllr P Broad	
Cllr R Jolly	
Cllr I Thomas	
Cllr A Mays	
Cllr J Morrison	

In attendance:

Mrs C Williams	Town Clerk
Mrs H Bardle	Deputy Town Clerk/ Responsible Finance Officer
Mr W Rundle	Asset Manager
Mr G Coombs	Facilities Manager
Mr D Teare	Facilities Supervisor
Mrs J Cockerham-Harris	Administrator

There were 3 members of the public in attendance.

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

1675.1 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Tremayne.

1675.2 Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda.

1675.2.1 Cllr Barnes declared an interest as Chair of the Redruth Community Association Trust.

1675.3 Public participation session – to enable the public to put questions to the Council relating to any items on the Agenda.

1675.3.1 Ms K Cunningham commented on a request she had received from a member of the public for a public toilet in East End Park.

1675.3.2 Mr D Bailey addressed the Cllrs about the play equipment in Plain an Gwarry, stating he found it inadequate for his two young children, and would like the Cllrs to change this to be more usable for younger years children. Cllr Allen informed Mr Bailey that the Trewirgie Playing Fields Charity Trust had recently agreed to fund a roundabout for Plain-an-Gwarry. Cllr Broad noted that Treskerby park had newer play equipment for younger years. Cllr Allen confirmed that the upgrade of play equipment was on the list to look at but was not budgeted for this year. Cllr Thomas noted that most green spaces were owned by Cornwall Council, not Redruth Town Council.

1675.4 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Asset Management Committee held on 1st June 2026.

1675.4.1 RESOLVED by majority to confirm the minutes of the Asset Management Committee held on 1st June 2026 [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; seconded Cllr A Biscoe. Cllr Morrison abstained].

1675.5 To receive a report from the Asset Manager.

1675.5.1 The Asset Manager updated Cllrs regarding the leak in Market Way and the Market Hall toilets clarifying that the leak was due to heavy rainfall. Cllr Allen asked what

the cost would be to fix the lift in the Chambers, and the Asset Manager stated that an engineer would be providing a quote soon. Cllr Reeve asked for an update regarding the Unit holders in Market Way and the Town Clerk stated that she could provide an update during Part II of the meeting, due t the question being about the unit holders and the confidentiality of licences. Cllr Allen asked for an in depth look at the current Management software and the Asset Manager agreed he would give a demonstration of Civic.ly at a future meeting.

1675.5.2 Unanimously RESOLVED to note the report [Proposed by Cllr Barnes; Seconded by Cllr H Biscoe].

1675.6 To receive a report from the Facilities Manager.

1675.6.1 The Facilities Manager stated that Plain-an-Gwarry was on the current list of items to discuss over suitable play equipment. Cllr Jolly suggested that the Community Centre toilets be available, when it is open, to users of the play park. Cllr Allen asked if the Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) was being reported.

1675.6.2 Unanimously RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders [Proposed by Cllr Allen; Seconded by Cllr Reeve]

1675.6.3 Mr Bailey clarified the avenues for reporting to the Police and encouraged all cases of ASB to be reported. Cllr A Biscoe stated that Crimestoppers was also a good avenue for reporting, and the Facilities Manager stated he would send over all the relevant information.

1675.6.4 Unanimously RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders [Proposed by Cllr Allen; Seconded by Cllr A Biscoe]

1675.6.5 Cllr Allen stated the need for a deadline on the footpath directory work, and potential avenues of progression once completed, including suggested public walks. The Facilities Manager stated that it would be done by the New Year with an overview of the current maintenance requirements. Cllr H Biscoe asked for the directory to be made available for public knowledge. The Town Clerk stated that the Asset Management software was able to keep a log of the footpaths where the public will be able to report issues and monitor it from there. The Facilities Manager stated that a map of the footpaths in the parish for which the Town Council has a Maintenance Agreement with Cornwall Council, is available in the Council offices.

1675.6.6 Unanimously RESOLVED to note the report [Proposed by Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded by Cllr Allen].

1675.7 To receive a summary of the assets held by Redruth Town Council.

1675.7.1 Cllr Allen thanked staff for the summary, and Cllr Thomas asked for this to be made available to the public. Cllr H Biscoe commented on the areas of the town where work was undertaken by the Facilities Team on behalf of Cornwall Council as a result of historic agreement. The DTC/RFO stated that work is ongoing to establish the nature of the agreement between RTC and Cornwall Council, and revising or renewing it if necessary. Cllr Allen asked how long the Civic Centre's outstanding balance had left to be paid, and the DTC/RFO stated that there were around 15-16 years left. Cllr Allen asked for clarification about the separation between Market Hall and Market Way, and Cllr Jolly asked for clarification over the intended purpose. It was clarified that they were separated due to their different uses and the Town Clerk stated there was untapped strategic potential with the venue to investigate for the future, for hiring as the acoustics are so good and it is a good space with the new projector and refurbished toilets etc. Cllr Allen asked if it was possible for St Rumon's Garden to be open longer, alongside locking Market Way, and the DTC/RFO stated that they could do a trial period but would need to factor in lone working solutions. Cllr H Biscoe proposed they ask various volunteer groups and if insurance would cover this, and the Town Clerk stated she would investigate. Cllr H Biscoe also proposed that they remove the two bollards in Cross Street and replace them with a chain to make them more accessible for vehicles and the Facilities Manager agreed to look at this in the future.

1675.7.2 Unanimously RESOLVED to note the summary [Proposed by Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded by Cllr Allen]

1675.8 To receive a verbal update on the review of the future of The Chambers from the Deputy Town Clerk/RFO.

1675.8.1 The DTC/RFO gave a verbal update and stated that a full report would be brought to Full Council at the end of the month.

- 1675.9 To receive a verbal update on the current situation regarding Tolgus Roundabout.**
- 1675.9.1 The DTC/RFO clarified the current Cornwall Council proposal and Cllr Barnes suggested they remove the Murdoch flyer replica and place it elsewhere in the town. Cllr Thomas, H Biscoe, and Broad suggested areas around the town and the Town Clerk stated the importance of maintaining the main gateways into Redruth. Cllr H Biscoe proposed the Council go back to Cornwall Council with a petition and Cllr Thomas proposed they separate the removal of the Murdoch flyer and the maintenance of the roundabout. The Town Clerk read aloud a letter from a member of the public regarding their upset over the current state of the roundabout.
- 1675.9.2 Unanimously RESOLVED that the Town Clerk write to Cornwall Council and raise a petition to progress the maintenance of the Tolgus roundabout [Proposed by Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded by Cllr A Biscoe] with an amendment for the Town Clerk to write to Cornwall Council to ask the cost and methodology of the flyer's removal and to complain about the lack of maintenance of their asset on the highway. [Proposed by Cllr Thomas; Seconded by Cllr A Biscoe].
- 1675.10 To consider the feasibility of entering Britain in Bloom, the Green Flag Award or Chelsea Flower Show in future years.**
- 1675.10.1 Cllr Barnes proposed Redruth Town Council enters Britain in Bloom with specific streets. Cllr Reeve stated she had a contact from Newquay in Bloom she was happy to pass on to the Facilities Manager to speak to. The Facilities Manager stated that he was well placed to investigate further and Cllr Allen suggested they take a look further down the line over costs and processes.
- 1675.10.2 Unanimously RESOLVED to bring a report to the next Asset Management Committee meeting about entering Britain in Bloom in 2028/29 [Proposed by Cllr Reeve; Seconded by Cllr Thomas].

1675.11 Correspondence received

1675.11.1 Email from the Sparrows Project regarding placing Anti-Slavery stickers in public toilets.

1675.11.2 The Town Clerk summarised and Cllr A Biscoe stated the stickers laid potential risk for vandalism and graffiti. Cllr Barnes suggested putting them on the noticeboards instead and Cllr Allen stated the importance of privacy in the matter.

1675.11.3 RESOLVED by Majority to put Perspex boards in the toilets that can be changed at the Town Council's discretion and to display the Sparrows project stickers in the display boards. [Proposed by Cllr A Biscoe; Seconded by Cllr Morrison; Cllr Barnes was against].

PART II – PRIVATE SESSION

The Council is invited to pass the following resolution: That pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public excluded from the Meeting for the following item of business, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted. Unanimously RESOLVED to go to Part II [Proposed by Cllr Thomas; Seconded by Cllr H Biscoe].

1675.12 To ratify the decision to award the contract for new play equipment in East End Playing Field.

1675.12.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to ratify the decision to award the contract for new play equipment in East End Playing Field and to purchase a roundabout for Plain an Gwarry at the quoted price, based upon the successful grant application to the Trewirgie Trust. [Proposed by Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded by Cllr Morrison].

1675.13 To receive an update regarding the units in Market Way.

1675.13.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to accept double unit applications at the discretion of the Town Council [Proposed by Cllr Thomas; Seconded by Cllr H Biscoe]

1675.13.2 Unanimously RESOLVED to put together a Tenant Selection Panel for the review of the units in Market Way [Proposed by Cllr Allen; Seconded by Cllr Jolly].

Chair