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**Town Mayor: Cllr R S Barnes**

**Town Clerk: Ms C Caldwell**

Minutes of a Meeting of Redruth Town Council held at Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place,  
Redruth on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

Present: Cllr S Barnes Chair  
Cllr A Biscoe Vice Chair  
Cllr H Biscoe  
Cllr P Broad  
Cllr M Brown  
Cllr B Craze  
Cllr C Garrick  
Cllr K Grasso  
Cllr R Major  
Cllr D Reeve  
Cllr I Thomas  
Cllr W Tremayne

In attendance: Ms C Caldwell Town Clerk  
Mrs H Bardle Responsible Finance Officer  
Miss K O'Dell Administrator  
2 representatives from the Police  
3 members of the public were also in attendance

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

**1615.1 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Ellenbroek and Skinner.

**1615.2 Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect to of any item(s) on this Agenda**

None were declared.

**1615.3 To allow members of the public to put questions to the Council**

A member of the public wished to express to the Council that in his opinion it is not worth spending any further money on the toilets in the New Cut car park and would rather any money be spent on the other toilet facilities in the town. He said they look ready to collapse and are not disabled friendly. He felt that as a taxpayer Cornwall Council should be responsible for the toilets and not Redruth Town Council.

**1615.4 To receive announcements and correspondence from the Town Mayor and the Town Clerk.**

Cllr Barnes gave a verbal update. He recently attended an online meeting where concerns were raised about the suicides that have been happening on the A30 Portreath

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bridge. He said it was a serious problem and that it was an interesting meeting with lots of preventative ideas discussed. He has asked the Community Link Officer to contact Redruth Town Council regarding creating a coordinated approach.

Cllr Barnes reported that he had attended a production of the White Horse which he thought was excellent.

The Town Clerk announced that Cornwall Council had approached us to ask if we would be willing to accept an area of land transfer. Our Facilities Team already maintain this area and are keen to take it on. It will be brought formally to a future meeting.

#### 1615.4 **To receive correspondence**

##### 1615.5.1 *Letter from Cormac re Subsidence/Depression Trevingey Parc*

Correspondence had been circulated prior to the meeting. The correspondence was noted.

#### 1615.6 **To confirm the Minutes of the Monthly meeting of the Council held on the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025.**

##### 1615.6.1 **RESOLVED** by Majority to confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025 as a true record.

[Proposed Cllr Barnes; Seconded Cllr A Biscoe] Cllrs Broad, Brown and Craze abstained as they had not been present at the meeting.

#### 1615.7 **To receive the Minutes as reports of the following committee meetings, and to accept and approve the Recommendations and Resolutions contained within the minutes of;**

##### 1615.7.1 *Operations Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025*

Cllr Thomas requested an amendment to the draft minutes. In item 1613.8 there was a reference to £2195 creditor balance being held on behalf of Redruth Skatepark Association. Cllr Thomas said the amount consisted of several contributions not necessarily relating to the skatepark.

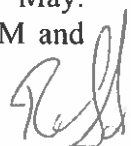
##### 1615.7.2 **Unanimously RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025 are received, and the Recommendations and Resolutions are accepted and approved, subject to the above correction being made. [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr Tremayne]

##### 1615.7.3 *Planning Committee – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025*

**Unanimously RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Engagement Committee meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025 are received, and the Recommendations and Resolutions are accepted and approved. [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Tremayne]

#### 1615.8 **To consider the Town Clerk's report.**

The report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Town Clerk reminded the councillors that the Local Heroes Awards are fast approaching. She stated that there is a seat available for all to attend and to get meal choices back to the Communications Manager. She reminded the current Mayor and Deputy Mayor that chains must not be worn, and any networking must be done on an individual basis and not as councillors. Cllr Thomas asked for clarification about the meetings being held on the 12<sup>th</sup> May. There used to be three meetings consisting of the Annual Town Meeting, AGM and



Full Council and asked if it would still be that format. The Town Clerk replied that it should be an Annual Meeting of the Council and not an AGM and that a Full Council could follow if Cllrs feel they wanted that. Cllr Brown stated he thought it would be a good idea as would help new members post-election. The Town Clerk added that she suggested the Annual Town Meeting be held on a separate date and that it would be much more of a celebration and could be held in a different venue. Any ideas are welcome.

The Town Clerk said that at the previous Finance Committee meeting, the precept should also have been voted on and asked Cllrs to amend.

1615.8.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to accept the precept from the previous Finance Committee meeting [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Grasso].

**1615.9 Youth Council Update.**

The RFO gave a verbal update on the Youth Council. They had held a meeting the week previously which the RFO attended due to the absence of the Operations Officer. They spoke about three main agenda items. They wanted to improve their recruitment to get more members, and they hoped that the new Communications Manager would be able to assist them, especially as they only had two members at St Piran's Festival. They committed more members would be present at Murdoch Day.

The RFO said the Youth Council were keen to get involved with nature and that the BID team would be looking for things that they could get involved with.

The Youth Festival was discussed, and some ideas were shared, the RFO confirmed that the funding for the festival had been secured.

The Town Clerk stated that she encouraged an international visit to build stronger links to our Twinned Towns. They have been on several UK trips but wished to broaden their horizons. Cllr Barnes said he would like to speak to them as he is looking to get younger people involved with the Bretons. The RFO promised to send Cllr Barnes an invitation to the next meeting. Cllr Ellenbroek has also agreed to attend, and the Youth Council look forward to seeing her again.

Cllr Barnes said he recently visited Cornwall Council's Youth Council and was very impressed with them and he stated we could learn a lot from the young people of the town.

Several Cllrs mentioned Trewirgie and Treleigh schools are both involved in schemes on Cornwall Council land, and it would be good if we could get something on land owned by RTC. Cllr Reeve suggested approaching Pennoweth School due to their location being very close to East End Park.

**1615.10 To consider and approve the schedule of payments.**

1615.10.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to approve the schedule of payments [Proposed Cllr Barnes; Seconded Cllr M Brown].

**PART II – PRIVATE SESSION – Exclusion of the Press and Public**

1615.11 The Council was invited and agreed to pass the following resolution:- That pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting for the following item of business, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted [Proposed Cllr Barnes; Seconded Cllr A Biscoe].

**1615.12 To receive a written update from the Police.**

A verbal report was given.



**1615.13 To receive a verbal update on the Redruth Clocktower**

A verbal report was given.

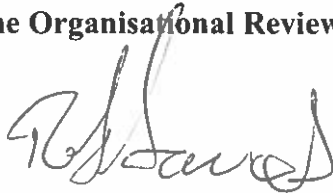
**1615.14 To receive an update on the Civic Centre.**

A verbal update was given.

**1615.15 To receive an update on the Organisational Review.**

A verbal update was given.

**Chairman**

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