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Town Mayor: Cllr A Biscoe

Town Clerk: Ms C Caldwell

Minutes of a Meeting of the Redruth Town Council held at Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth
on Monday 30th June 2025

Present: Cllr A Biscoe
Cllr E Allen
Cllr S Barnes
Cllr H Biscoe
Cllr K Cunningham
Cllr B Ellenbroek
Cllr R Jolly
Cllr R Major
Cllr I Thomas
Cllr W Tremayne
Cllr D Reeve

Chair

In attendance: Ms C Caldwell
Mrs H Bardle
Ms J Turner
Ms L Akerman
Ms C Walsh
Mrs H Mabbott
Mr J Sweet

Two officers
Three members of the public

Town Clerk
Responsible Finance Officer
Senior Library Officer
Community Liaison Officer
Strategic Projects Officer
Administrator
Cornwall Council Antisocial Behaviour
(ASB) Officer
Devon & Cornwall Police

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

1625.1 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs P Broad, J Morrison and D Ragan.

**1625.2 Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests
(including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda**

Cllr Jolly declared a pecuniary interest in item 12 upon arrival and signed accordingly.

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1625.3 Public participation session – to enable members of the public to put questions to the Council relating to any items on the agenda

A member of the public spoke about escalating antisocial behaviour around the benches and the public gardens on Shoot Row. He described the activities of groups gathering and causing nuisance and added that he had received threats of violence and been photographed through his property. He asked for the removal of the benches. The Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) Officer from Cornwall Council responded that he had received reports that people were using the benches for drug dealing and other antisocial behaviour and had passed information to the police. Cllr A Biscoe responded that we cannot remove the benches as they do not belong to the Town Council. The Town Clerk said that if the benches are removed then the behaviour is displaced to other areas of the town.

The Town Clerk reported that general policing matters were to be discussed in Part II, and that a follow-up by email would be sent to the member of the public.

A member of the public asked when the Ope way next to Poundland was opening. Cllr Ellenbroek responded that she had received an email stating that the footpath was nearing completion and was expected to open shortly.

1625.4 To receive a report from the Town Mayor

The report was circulated prior to the meeting.

1625.5 To receive correspondence:

1625.5.1 Letter from Portreath Parish Council

RESOLVED by Majority to not agree to the request for a contribution towards the cost of youth outreach sessions, but to invite Portreath Parish Council to meet with the Communications Manager, a member of the Youth Council and to include Police and the ASB Officer to discuss the matter further. [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr A Biscoe].

1625.5.2 Clean Air Report

Unanimously RESOLVED to write to Cornwall Council with an addendum for a new air quality monitoring report when Trengweath is opened. [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr Ellenbroek].

1625.6 To receive reports from Cornwall Councillor Divisional Members on their work within Redruth

Reports were received from all three members and their contents noted.

Cllr Ellenbroek asked that antisocial behaviour issues should be raised by Cllrs Harrison and Tarrant at Community Safety Partnership meetings.

Cllr Allen asked about accessibility at Treskerby Park. It was suggested that anyone with any concerns should raise these matters directly with Cllr Donnithorne.

Cllr Tremayne requested that the reports from the divisional Members for Redruth North and South include more detail. The Town Clerk agreed to contact the Councillors on this point.

1625.7 To confirm the Minutes as reports of the following committee meetings, and to accept and approve the Recommendations and Resolutions contained within the meetings:

1625.7.1 RESOLVED by Majority to confirm the Minutes of the Engagement Committee held on 3rd February 2025. [Proposed Cllr Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Ellenbroek]. Cllrs Allen, Cunningham, and Jolly abstained as they had not been present at the meeting.



Cllr Allen raised the matter that there were a number of carry forward action items from the February Engagement Committee as follows;

- To consider licensing the Civic Centre as a wedding venue;
- To write to Cornwall Wildlife Trust regarding a red squirrel colony in Redruth;
- The future of the Climate Action Group
- The cleaning of the welcome sign to Redruth.

The Town Clerk gave assurance that these matters would be carried forward and updates would be given at the next Community Committee meeting.

1625.7.2 RESOLVED by Majority to confirm the Minutes of the Operations Committee held on 3rd March 2025. [Proposed Cllr Tremayne; Seconded Cllr Ellenbroek]. Cllrs Allen, Cunningham, and Jolly abstained as they had not been present at the meeting.

1625.7.3 RESOLVED by Majority to confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 14th April 2025. [Proposed Cllr Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Tremayne]. Cllrs Allen, Cunningham, and Jolly abstained as they had not been present at the meeting.

1625.7.4 RESOLVED by Majority to confirm the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 12th May 2025. [Proposed Cllr A Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Biscoe]. Cllr Jolly abstained.

1625.7.5 RESOLVED by Majority to confirm the Minutes of the Monthly meeting of the Council held on 12th May 2025. [Proposed Cllr A Biscoe, Mayor; Seconded Cllr Barnes]. Cllr Jolly abstained.

1625.7.6 Unanimously RESOLVED to confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 9th June 2025. [Proposed Cllr Tremayne; Seconded Cllr Thomas].

1625.8 **To receive the Minutes as reports of the following committee meetings, and to accept and approve the Recommendations and Resolutions contained within the meetings:**

1625.8.1 RESOLVED by Majority to confirm the Minutes of the Community Committee meeting held on 27th May 2025. [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr Ellenbroek]. Cllr Jolly abstained.

1625.8.2 RESOLVED by Majority to confirm the Minutes of the Asset Management Committee meeting held on 2nd June 2025. [Proposed Cllr Tremayne; Seconded Cllr Allen]. Cllr Jolly abstained.

1625.9 **To consider a Motion from Cllr Barbara Ellenbroek;**

“That Redruth Town Council has a Children’s Rights approach, based on the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), to ensure children’s rights are upheld. This involves raising awareness, providing information and encouraging children’s participation in decisions that affect them as part of our work.”

Cllr Ellenbroek suggested that Rule 12 of the UNCRC, ‘Respect for Children’s Views’ is the most important rule and that the Council should ensure that the Youth Council is consulted in making key decisions.

1625.9.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to accept the Motion, to consult with Youth Councillors and keep them informed of Redruth Town Council decisions. [Proposed Cllr Ellenbroek; Seconded Cllr Cunningham].



1625.10 To consider the Town Clerk's report

The report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Town Clerk stated that the Town Meeting at Kresen Kernow on 9th July 2025 is open to anyone to attend. The Town Clerk answered questions from Cllr Allen regarding the devolution of Victoria Park and Trefusis park, namely seeking assurance that the devolution would include a Service Level Agreement to maintain the high standards. The Town Clerk explained that because the areas had been Making Space for Nature locations, then a detailed management plan would be part of the legal papers accompanying devolution. Cllr Allen asked about the TRIP funding bid and the Town Clerk stated that the deadline for submission had changed to 20th July and that Cllrs would see a copy of the draft bid.

Cllr Allen thanked the Town Clerk for arranging for colleagues from Cornwall Council to attend the next Full Council meeting to give an update on the Brewery site but expressed disappointment that this would be in a part 2 section of the meeting, due to the fact that the land is owned by Cornwall Council. The Town Clerk advised that at the briefing it would be prudent to ask Cornwall Council what information was able to be shared with the public.

Cllr Cunningham asked about gym equipment in Trefusis Park and whether this could be included in the capital devolution ask. The Town Clerk said that she would explore whether this was eligible or not and report back at the next meeting.

The Town Clerk also highlighted that funding had been awarded to the Community Centre for a partial refurbishment and improvements. Cllr A Biscoe suggested a Grand Opening when the work is completed.

1625.10.1 RESOLVED by Majority for the formation of a working group for the Resident Survey and Strategy [Proposed Cllr Ellenbroek; Seconded Cllr Tremayne]. Cllr Allen voted against, and Cllr Jolly abstained.

The following Councillors requested to be on the working group; Cllrs Cunningham, Allen, Jolly, Reeve, Ellenbroek

1625.10.2 RESOLVED by Majority for the adoption of the equality, inclusion and diversity signature on emails. [Proposed Cllr Reeve; Seconded Cllr Tremayne]. Cllr Thomas abstained.

1625.11 Youth Council Update

Cllr Ellenbroek gave the report having attended the Annual Youth Conversation Day at Cornwall Council, with schools and Youth Councillors attending the session with some Cornwall Councillors. Presentations were made by young people with topics ranging from growing/producing own produce to help with school dinners to tackling period poverty, writing to MPs and the PM and climate change issues. The Communications Manager was thanked for taking the young people to Truro for the day. Cornwall Youth Council has a manifesto, and it was felt there should be something similar for Redruth. Redruth was the only Youth Council represented there. Cllr Cunningham expressed her appreciation to Cllr Ellenbroek for her work.

1625.12 To consider and approve the schedule of payments

These were circulated prior to the meeting.

1625.12.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to approve the schedule of payments [Proposed Cllr Barnes; Seconded Cllr Allen].



PART II – PRIVATE SESSION

- 1621.10 **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 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 Tremayne; Seconded Cllr Allen].**
- 1625.13 Received a verbal update from the Anti-Social Behaviour Officer.
- 1625.14 Received a verbal update from the Police.
- 1625.15 Received a verbal update on the Clocktower.

Chair

