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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 28th April 2025

Present: Cllr S Barnes
Cllr A Biscoe
Cllr H Biscoe
Cllr P Broad
Cllr M Brown
Cllr B Ellenbrook
Cllr K Grasso
Cllr R Major
Cllr D Reeve
Cllr I Thomas
Cllr W Tremayne

Chair
Vice Chair

In attendance: Ms C Caldwell
Mrs H Bardle
Mrs J Pelham-Wales
5 members of the public were also in attendance

Town Clerk
Responsible Finance Officer
Administrator

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

1619.1 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Craze, Garrick and Skinner.

1619.2 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.

1619.3 To allow members of the public to put questions to the Council

A member of the public raised concerns about access to Pen-an-Drea as people are parking along on this very narrow lane, leaving emergency vehicles with no space to get through. He asked the Councillors to support double yellow lines.

Cllr Ellenbrook confirmed that this was a real issue and that she had spoken to Jack Thomas at Cormac. She supported the suggestion that double yellow lines would solve the problem. Cllr Ellenbrook went on to advise that Councillors on the Planning Committee should bear in mind the traffic and parking implications, when future planning applications are brought before them.

The Town Clerk said she would write to Jack Thomas at Cormac on behalf of the Council about Pen-an-Drea as we are now in the pre-election period.

Two other members of public then spoke in relation to PA25/09801, which was to be considered later on in the agenda by the Councillors. They asked the Councillors to support the revised planning application.

1619..4 To receive announcements and correspondence from the Town Mayor and the Town Clerk.

Cllr Barnes asked everyone in the room to stand for a minute's silence in memory of our former Operations Officer who recently passed away.

The Town Clerk advised that there would be an annual presentation and award to a member of the Youth Council in her memory.

1619.5 To confirm the Minutes of the Monthly meeting of the Council held on the 31st March 2025

1619.5.1 RESOLVED by Majority to confirm the minutes of the monthly meeting of the Council held on 31st March 2025.

[Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr H Biscoe] Cllr Ellenbroek abstained as she had not been present at the meeting.

1619.6 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 the:

1619.6.1 Finance Committee – 7th April 2025

Unanimously RESOLVED that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 7th April 2025 are received, and that the Recommendations and Resolutions are accepted and approved. [Proposed Cllr Barnes; Seconded Cllr H Biscoe]

1619.6.2 Staffing Committee – 7th April 2025

Unanimously RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Staffing Committee meeting held on 7th April 2025 are received, and that the Recommendations and Resolutions are accepted and approved. [Proposed Cllr Brown; Seconded Cllr Thomas]

1619.6.3 Planning Committee – 14th April 2025

Unanimously RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 14th April 2025 are received, and the Recommendations and Resolutions are accepted and approved. [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Tremayne]

1619.7 To consider the Town Clerk's report.

A report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Town Clerk reminded the councillors about two key dates.

- 17th June. The Annual Town Meeting which will have a 'celebratory' theme. The plan is to have young musicians and some of our previous grant recipients. It will be a great opportunity for the new Council to meet and speak to all staff, especially the new employees and will be open to all members of the community to attend.
- 20th June. We are working with the Community Centre to host a networking and socialisation event for local community groups. The Town Clerk encouraged all the Councillors to save the date, because this will be an opportunity for the new Council to liaise with the community groups.



The Town Clerk stated that at the Annual Meeting on 12th May, Council will need to renew the General Power of Competence. She explained that this power gives the Council greater flexibility to do anything an individual can do. She finished by thanking all the team who were involved with the Local Hero Awards and said that there were many acts of kindness in our community selflessly undertaken by local people for others, who the awards recognised.

1619.8 Youth Council Update.

The RFO gave a verbal update on the Youth Council which had been facilitated by our Communications Manager. Due to the passing of the Operations Officer, the last meeting had been sad, with lower attendance.

The RFO and the Town Clerk went to a Cornwall Council Youth Meeting the same evening at New County Hall which proved insightful, with new ideas to share with our Youth Council. The plan is to foster links between the two. Cllr Ellenbroek suggested the Youth Council similarly consider creating a Manifesto. She went on to suggest that Council review each Agenda and if there is anything relating to our Youth Councillors, to encourage them to be involved.

1619.9 To consider and approve the AGAR (Annual Governance and Accountability Return).

A report was circulated prior to the meeting.

1619.9.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to approve the AGAR. [Proposed Cllr Brown; Seconded Cllr H Biscoe].

1619.10 To consider and approve the schedule of payments.

Circulated prior to the meeting.

1619.10.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to approve the schedule of payments. [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded Cllr A Biscoe].

1619.11 To consider the following List 2 Planning application; PA24/09801.

The Town Clerk advised that this application had been deferred by the Planning Committee to Full Council to enable comment in time for Cornwall Council's deadline.

RESOLVED by Majority to support the application. [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Thomas]. Cllrs Major and Reeve and abstained and Cllr Brown was against.

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

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 H Biscoe].

1619.12 To receive a verbal update on the Redruth Clocktower

A verbal report was given on the next steps on the Clocktower restoration project.

 Chair.