

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held in Committee Room No. 3, St. John's Hall, Penzance on Wednesday 18th May 2005 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT

Councillor C.A. Dennis (Chairman)

Councillors J. Beamish
S. Freeman
K.L.W. Perry
P.C.H. Rendle

1. **APOLOGIES**

Councillors D.J. Axford, R.A. Mann, J. Ruhrmund, C.A.C. White and T.E. Williams.

2. **REPORT OF TOWN CLERK**

(a) Correspondence from Cornwall County Council re. Temporary Road Closures

The County Council had written to advise of the following road closures:-

- (i) Gulval to Trenow - 16th May to 3rd June - resurfacing works;
- (ii) Long Lane and Eglos Road, Ludgvan - drainage works;
- (iii) Penalverne Drive - 9th May to 23rd May - 7 days in that period for resurfacing;
- (iv) Chapel Street to Queen's Square - between 16th May and 27th May for 6 days for resurfacing

and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(b) Correspondence from Cornwall County Council re. Boscathnoe Way - Bus Facilities

The Town Clerk advised that as had been reported verbally some time ago, the County Council had now written to confirm that there had been no local support for the bus facility proposals at Boscathnoe and, as a result, the scheme had been abandoned and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(c) Correspondence from Cornwall County Council re. Proposed Removal of One Arm of the Pelican Crossing at Bottom End of Market Jew Street

Following consultation and despite the Town Council's objection, the County Council had written to advise that one arm of the above Pelican Crossing would now be removed and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(d) Correspondence from PAROW - Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 15th April 2005, together with the agenda for the meeting held on the 9th May, had been sent for information and were available to any member who wished to have sight of them and it was

RECOMMENDED: that receipt be noted.

(e) Penwith Local Framework - Community Consultation - Copy of Covering Letter and Individual Questionnaires

The consultation questionnaires issued by the District Council had been copied to all members and related to the fact that the Local Plan was now to be superseded by a Local Development Framework.

The Local Development Framework will consist of a suite of documents, one of which will be "A Statement of Community Involvement".

The questionnaires sought opinions on the methods which should be involved in formulating the Local Development Framework, and how people could best be kept informed, and all members were encouraged to return the questionnaires by the 20th May and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(f) Notice of Path Diversion Order - Footpath No. 70

The diversion of the above path in Paul Village, about which the Town Council had been consulted and to which it had not objected, had been approved and a copy of the order had been sent for information and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(g) Correspondence from Penwith District Council re. Penzance Town Centre Health Check

The District Council had written to advise that the aim of the Health Check was to measure vitality and viability of town centres, monitoring its health and heritage changes over time.

The process would provide a base line assessment, against which future developments could be checked and surveys would be carried out by the consultants, Nanthaniel Lichfield and Partners, which would include an on-street customer survey and a postal approach to local businesses.

The letter had been copied to all members for information and it was

RECOMMENDED: that its receipt be noted.

(h) South West Coast Path News

The Spring 2005 issue of the above newsletter had been received and was available to any member who wished to have sight of it and it was

RECOMMENDED: that receipt be noted.

(i) Regional Spatial Strategy Update for the South West 2006-2026

The Town Clerk reminded members that the Council had responded in the Autumn with regard to the treatment of urban centres in Cornwall within the Spatial Strategy and, this update set out the continuation of the process of the development of the strategy which would culminate in a pre-submission draft being sent to all parties for consultation in the Autumn, and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(j) Papers for Penwith District Council Planning Meeting - 3rd May 2005

The papers for the above meeting had been sent for information and it was

RECOMMENDED: that receipt be noted.

(k) Penwith District Council Shop Fronts Guidance

The Town Council had been consulted with regard to the Shop Front Guidance document in the Autumn and, following its formal adoption by the District Council, a copy had been sent for information and it was

RECOMMENDED: that receipt be noted.

(l) Correspondence from Penwith District Council re. Weed Removal

The District Council had written to advise that it had, in the past, been carrying out, on behalf of the County Council, control of weeds in urban areas.

However, following a reduction in funding in the sum of £1.6 million countywide, the District Council advised that it would now be discontinuing this function, although it was hoped that regular street cleaning would help to keep streets clear and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(m) Cornwall County Council - Invitation to a Discussion on Waste Planning

The above event was to be held at the Hall for Cornwall on the 21st June, from 10.00 am to 4.30 pm, and the letter of invitation had been copied to all members to allow them to register by the 20th May if they wished to attend and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(n) Newlyn Green - Consultation

For the record, it was noted that the District Council was now consulting local residents over a wide area in respect of the footpath on Newlyn Green in terms of its use by cyclists and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

3. **FINANCIAL POSITION**

The Committee considered its finances to the 31st March 2005 and it was

RESOLVED: to note the position.

The Committee also considered payments made in the months of February and March 2005 and it was

RESOLVED: to approve such payments (see Appendix "A" for both financial position and payments made).

4. **SITE VIEWING PANEL MEETINGS**

In respect of application number 05/P/0035/F - rear of Coffee Pot, The Promenade, Penzance - demolition of single-storey extension and construction of two-storey extension to form 3 flats - the Town Clerk advised that it had not been possible for the Town Council to be represented at this site meeting and determination of the application would be made by the District Council in due course and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

5. **PLANNING DECISIONS**

The Town Clerk advised of 5 decisions which were at variance with the view of the Committee, of 2 planning appeals and 5 appeal decisions and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the information be noted.

6. **NEW AND AMENDED PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee considered 22 new and amended planning applications and their comments are as recorded in the planning register.

9.10 pm

Chairman
16th June 2005