

MINUTES OF PENZANCE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING held in The Guildhall,
St. John's Hall, Penzance on Monday 6th June 2005 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT

Councillor D.J. Axford (Town Mayor)
Councillor F. Granger (Deputy Town Mayor)

Councillors R. Clark
A.R. Climo-Thompson
M.R. Cotton
C.A. Dennis
J.H. Dixon
M. Freeman
R.M. Lawrence
K.L.W. Perry
P.C.H. Rendle
A.J. Richings
J. Ruhrmund

Prior to the commencement of the business of the meeting, Inspector B. Tripp and Sergeant P. Simm provided detail of the current approach to the enforcement of the new traffic system in Penzance and also gave detail in respect of their efforts to deal with lawlessness and over-indulgence in alcohol.

18. **PRAYERS**

The Council's Chaplain, Reverend Julyan Drew, offered prayers.

19. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors W.J.L. Aitken, J. Beamish, S. Freeman, S.J. Reed, C.A.C. White and T.E. Williams.

20. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The minutes of the following meetings:-

14th March 2005 - Full Town Council Meeting;
16th March 2005 - Appointment Panel Meeting;
11th April 2005 - Co-option Meeting;
9th May 2005 - Annual Town Council Meeting

Having been circulated, it was

RESOLVED: that they be signed as true and correct records.

21. **TO DEAL WITH BUSINESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED BY STATUTE TO BE DONE**

- (a) Alcohol Licence - Transfers

Councillor J.H. Dixon declared a code of conduct interest in this matter and retired from the meeting.

- (i) Flannagans - East Terrace

RESOLVED: to offer no objection.

- (ii) The Taj Mahal

RESOLVED: to offer no objection.

- (iii) The Swordfish, Newlyn

RESOLVED: to offer no objection.

- (b) Public Entertainment Licence

- (i) Open Air Theatre - Penlee Park

As owners of the above facility, it was

RESOLVED: that the Town Council would not comment on the application in the name of the Acorn Theatre.

22. **TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(a) The Town Mayor reminded members that the 60th Commemoration of the end of World War 2 in Europe would be held over the weekend of the 10th, 11th and 12th June and he hoped that as many members as possible would support the commemoration events.

(b) The Golowan Feast Service would be held at St. John's Church on Sunday 19th June.

(c) The Town Mayor reminded members that Mazey Day would take place on Saturday 25th June and invitations had already been sent to members and other guests.

(d) The Town Mayor regretted to advise that because of operational requirements, HMS Penzance had had to postpone its visit to the town.

23. **QUESTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER NUMBER 24**

The Town Clerk advised that no such questions had been received.

24. **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

(a) **General Purposes Committee - 16th May 2005**

(i) Correspondence re. Fair Trade Town Status for Penzance (Minute 3(l))

The District Council had requested the nomination of a representative to serve on this new Steering Group and it was

RESOLVED: that Councillor Richings should represent the Town Council.

(ii) Market and Coastal Towns Initiative (Minute 8(b))

With regard to discussions which had taken place at the General Purposes Committee Meeting in relation to the proposal by Councillor Clark to form a self-supporting economic development committee, it was

RESOLVED: that such a committee be formed and that the committee should be open to any member of the Council who wished to serve and that those members interested should liaise directly with Councillor Clark.

(iii) Creation of a Town Council Website (Minute 10)

RESOLVED: that Councillor Clark should now liaise with the Town Clerk with a view to proceeding with the proposals to create a Town Council website as set out in the paper presented to the General Purposes Committee.

Subject to the above, it was

RESOLVED: to adopt the report.

(b) **Penlee House and Park Committee - 17th May 2005**

RESOLVED: to adopt the report.

(c) **Planning Committee - 17th March 2005**

(i) Copy Correspondence from Penzance Civic Society re. 68 Chapel Street - Crysede Limited Emblem (Minute 70(g))

Following further discussion with regard to the efforts of the Civic Society to preserve and protect the emblem at the above address, it was

RESOLVED: that the Town Clerk should support the Civic Society in any way possible.

Subject to the above, it was

RESOLVED: to adopt the report.

(d) **Planning Committee - 18th May 2005**

RESOLVED: to adopt the report.

(e) **Finance/Property Committee - 19th May 2005**

- (i) Conditions of Service for Clerks of Local Councils (Minute 3(i))
(Confidential Appendix "B")

The Town Clerk retired from the meeting and it was

RESOLVED: to approve the Finance/Property Committee recommendation as set out in Confidential Appendix "B" with effect from the 1st April 2005.

Subject to the above, it was

RESOLVED: to adopt the report.

25. **60TH COMMEMORATION OF WORLD WAR 11**

The Town Clerk provided a verbal report to furnish members with full details of the proposed commemoration events over the forthcoming weekend.

The Town Clerk wished to place on record his sincere appreciation for the efforts of Councillor Aitken as Chairman of the Organising Committee and to Charlotte Chadwick at Penwith District Council and to all those who had helped in any way with the preparations for the events and it was

RESOLVED: to note the position.

26. **REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY - THE CORNWALL TOWNS STUDY**

Members noted the importance of this document, which had been copied to all councillors, and it was noted that the Town Council had previously passed comment in the Autumn of 2004.

After considerable discussion, it was

RESOLVED: that the Town Council should press for Penzance to be recognised as a sub-regional centre and it was

FURTHER RESOLVED: that Councillor Climo-Thompson work with the Town Clerk to provide a more detailed response, taking into account proposals in terms of the groupings and classification of other towns in Cornwall.

8.35 pm

Town Mayor
11th July 2005