

MINUTES OF PENZANCE SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING held in The Guildhall, St. John's Hall, Alverton Street, Penzance on Monday 7th April 2008 immediately following the Annual Town Meeting

PRESENT

Councillor F Granger (Town Mayor)
Councillor R Clark (Deputy Town Mayor)

Councillors CA Dennis
RM Lawrence
M Lovegrove
RA Mann
J Parkin
KLW Perry
PCH Rendle
J Ruhrmund
TE Williams
H Worth

98. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors MR Cotton, JH Dixon, M Freeman, JH Moreland, D Nebesnuick, SJ Reed, CAC White.

99. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Mann and Ruhrmund declared a personal interest in minutes 97 and 98 as members of Penwith District Council.

Councillor Parkin declared a prejudicial interest in minute 97 - Review of Street Trading Control Areas.

100. **REVIEW OF STREET TRADING CONTROL AREAS 2008**

Councillor Parkin left the meeting.

Correspondence had been received from Penwith District Council concerning a review of street trading regulations governed by the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 following a number of complaints regarding road side sales in the District. The correspondence outlined the current restrictions in place in the District and five options for varying these regulations. The Town Clerk informed those present that he was unaware of any problems in the Penzance parish and Councillor Mann advised that the District Council had raised this issue now so that any potential problems could be dealt with ahead of the handover to the Unitary Authority and it was

RESOLVED: that the Town Council was happy with the current system that provided comprehensive cover for the Parish of Penzance and that the proposed changes could have a

negative impact on very small traders and, in particular, charitable events such as car boot sales for worthy causes.

101. **ELECTORAL BOUNDARY REVIEW**

Councillors Granger, Nebesnuick and Rendle had attended the One Cornwall Parish and Town Council Engagement meeting on 20th March at which a briefing on the electoral review was provided and notes from this meeting were circulated to members.

The Boundary Committee will recommend the number of Cornwall Councillors for the new Unitary Authority, any changes required to boundaries and would seek to achieve electoral equality over 5 years, taking into account local identity and provision of local government. Councillor Rendle advised those present that Penzance Town Council needed to reinforce its position quickly with the Boundary Committee and it was

RESOLVED: that the Town Council should write to the Boundary Committee outlining the position of the Town Council with regard to any revision of the electoral boundaries as follows:

Penzance calls on the Boundary Committee for England which is at present reviewing the future size of Cornwall Council and reviewing its Electoral Division:

- To ensure that the future Electoral Divisions for the town are, together, fully co-terminus with the current Penzance Town Council boundaries;
- To calculate the number of future Cornwall Council members for Penzance on the projected population of the town without regard to neighbouring areas;
- To ensure the greatest co-terminosity with existing Penzance Town Wards when the new Divisions are demarcated avoiding division of current Polling Districts and
- To provide for single member wards within the Penzance Town area.

Penzance Town Council further asks the BCE to choose a figure of at least 130 as the number of members for the future Cornwall Council.

8:14pm

Town Mayor
2nd June 2008