

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING** held in Committee Room No. 4, St. John's Hall, Penzance on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2008 at 7.00 pm.

**PRESENT**

Councillor P.C.H. Rendle (Chairman)

Councillor J. Parkin (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors     D.J. Axford  
                    C.A. Dennis  
                    K.L.W. Perry

**ALSO PRESENT**

Councillor J. Moreland (left meeting at 7.15 pm)

26. **APOLOGIES**

Councillors R. Clark, R.A. Mann, J. Ruhrmund and T.E. Williams  
Absent without apology – Councillor F. Granger

27. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In respect of minute 29(g), Wharfside application – Councillor Dennis declared a personal interest as she works at the Wharfside.

In respect of application number 08-1199-P, Mr. R. Catling, 1 Trythogga Hill, Gulval – construction of a dwelling and associated works – Open Site, Trythogga Hill, Gulval. Councillor P. Rendle declared a personal interest as he knows residents in this area.

In respect of application number 08-0967-HP, Miss P. Browne, Tresco Cottage, 19 Farmers Meadow, Newlyn – installation of replacement windows and door. Councillor J. Parkin declared a personal interest as she knows the applicant.

28. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The minutes of the meetings held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June and the 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2008, having been circulated, it was

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

29. **REPORT OF TOWN CLERK**

Councillor Moreland had sought the permission of the committee to attend and speak to a number of items and it was

**RESOLVED:** to vary the order of business.

- (a) Blewett and Pender Site, Albert Street, Penzance – To Clarify Position of Planning Committee following Pre-application Presentation held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2008

The Chairman had copied the relevant page of the minutes of the above meeting to show that a pre-application presentation had been made in respect of the above site and that no indication of support had been made and that the committee would deal with the planning application in the normal way and it was

**RECOMMENDED:** that the position be noted.

- (b) Proposed Essential Works to Ross Bridge

Members had been provided with details of the proposed works to Ross Bridge which were to be carried out between January and March 2009.

Councillor Moreland raised the issue of the painting of the bridge metal-work and although it was acknowledged that colours used in the town were black and gold for signage and olive green on the Promenade, it was

**RECOMMENDED:** that the metal-work of the bridge be an appropriate marine blue, a sample of which was provided by Councillor Moreland.

Councillor Moreland also raised the issue of the black railings on the Abbey Basin side of the Wharf Road and it was

**FURTHER RECOMMENDED:** that the County Council be requested to paint these railings black at the time of the bridge works.

- (c) Residents' Parking

This item had not been listed on the agenda and the following information was, therefore, provided to allow discussion at the full Town Council Meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

Considerable concern had recently been raised with regard to parking difficulties in and around High Street, Belgravia Street, etc. and, as a result, County Councillor Mates had obtained some suspension of the enforcement regime.

It was felt that details of the problem needed to be clarified and that an invitation to the full Council Meeting be extended to Councillor Mates and a representative of the Highway Authority.

- (d) Proposal to Site Seat on Cornish Cycle-Way in Partnership with Private Resident and Penwith District Council

The Town Clerk advised that a local resident had offered to part fund a seat, approximately 200 metres from the western end of the Cornish Cycle-way on a raised area convenient for that purpose.

The District Council would acquire the seat and cover the cost of fixing and the Town

Council had been requested to provide a donation of £75.00 to cover the shortfall and it was

**RESOLVED:** to make payment accordingly.

(e) Report re. Penwith District Council Arboricultural Event – July 2008

A report of the above event had been sent previously to members for their information and it was

**RECOMMENDED:** that receipt be noted.

(f) Agenda for Parow Meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> September 2008 and Minutes of Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2008

The papers, as listed above, 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.

(g) Wharfside Application – 08-1154 – Information re. Condition for which Applicant seeks Removal

Although the Town Council had already commented on this application, the Chairman advised that the policy to which the condition pertains in a 1991 document was not to hand but it was in contravention of the Town and Villages section of the Penwith Local Plan under section 7.3.63, which sought to increase ties between the town centre and the Wharf area, and it was

**RECOMMENDED:** that the position be noted.

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

The Town Clerk would circulate to members a copy of the District Council's report to its Social, Economic and Environment Committee Meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> September 2008 which would enable a suitable response to be formulated at full Council on the 29<sup>th</sup> September or at the next Planning Meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> October, which would be open to all members, and it was

**RECOMMENDED:** that the position be noted.

(i) Correspondence from Penwith District Council re. Tree Preservation Orders:-

(i) Revocation of Tree Preservation Order – 1 Wellington Terrace, Penzance (P/1/10-40) – second report on the tree in question questioned its long term amenity value and hence the revocation of the order;

(ii) Confirmation of order – Trewartha Terrace (P/1/10-14) and it was

**RECOMMENDED:** that the information be noted.

- (j) Request from Mousehole Residents to Improve Railings on North Cliff, Mousehole

The Town Clerk advised of concern expressed over a period of time by a representative of Mousehole Royal British Legion who was a Mousehole resident with regard to the railings at the above location.

Information had been gathered from a number of local groups and with the exception of the Old Cornwall Society, there was general support for improvements to the railings and it was, therefore,

**RECOMMENDED:** that the Town Clerk organise a meeting between Highway representatives, Local County Councillors and South Ward members to establish a way forward.

- (k) Future Street Lighting Policy Consultation Report

The above report from Cornwall County Council had been circulated to members and gave details of responses received in respect of various options to address the sustainability and reduce the cost of street lighting whilst ensuring that concerns regarding safety of the public and crime prevention were maintained and it was

**RECOMMENDED:** that receipt of the summary report be noted.

### 30. **FINANCIAL POSITION**

The committee considered its finances to the 31st July 2008 and it was

**RESOLVED:** to note the position.

The committee also considered payments made in the months of May, June and July 2008 and it was

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

### 31. **SITE VIEWING PANEL MEETINGS**

There were no Site Viewing Panel Meetings on which to report.

### 32. **PLANNING DECISIONS**

The Town Clerk advised of 4 decisions which were at variance with the views of the Planning Committee and it was

**RESOLVED:** to note the position.

33. **NEW AND AMENDED PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The committee considered 24 new and amended planning applications and their comments are as recorded in the Planning Register.

8.45 pm

Chairman  
16<sup>th</sup> October 2008