

## CALLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

25<sup>th</sup> August 2015 Council Chambers, Town Hall, New Road, Callington

### Full Council Meeting 7pm

#### **PUBLIC SESSION.**

Mr Bridgewater spoke about his concerns regarding traffic and parking along Liskeard Road, having already raised the matter some time ago. Cllr Smith responded explaining the procedure with the TRO (Traffic Regulation Order). Cllr Gist also referred to other areas in the town that are experiencing traffic issues, namely near the fire station.

Mr Green discussed the East/West bypass route, the state of grass verges along Southern Road, rusty signposts and the flowerbed at Saltash Road roundabout. Being the main tourist route in the town he felt that the area should be more presentable to encourage people into the town. Cllr Smith agreed to take the comments to the Outside Services committee for consideration. Cllr Denley confirmed that many of the bushes along that road were maintained by the former Britain in Bloom committee and the Town Forum are responsible for said flower bed. Cllr Mrs Coakley has a Town Forum meeting tomorrow and will discuss the flower bed matter then.

A discussion then followed on the new parking meters and the non-transferable tickets.

#### **1. APOLOGIES –**

Councillor Mr A Long (Portreeve and Mayor) and Cllr Lumley

#### **PRESENT:**

Chairman: Deputy Portreeve & Mayor (Councillor Mr M Smith)

Councillors: J Gist, R Denley, M Tagg, Mrs K Gold, P Harriman, D Williams, J Dowdall, Mrs S Tolman and Mrs M Coakley

**Staff:** Helen Dowdall (Town Clerk)

**Press Officer:** 1

**Members of the Public:** 3

- 2. MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting of 28<sup>th</sup> July 2015 were agreed as a correct record of proceedings and duly signed (2 abstentions).

**3. MATTERS ARISING**

None.

**4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST** To receive any disclosure(s) of interest by a Councillor or an officer in matters to be considered at this meeting, in accordance with provisions of Sections 94 or 117 of the Local Government Act 1972 or the National Code of Local Government Conduct.

None.

**5. POLICE MATTERS**

Cllr Gist had nothing in particular to report, as things have been relatively quiet.

**6. FIRE MATTERS**

Cllr Smith explained that our crew has been busy recently supporting the Launceston team.

**7. REPORTS**

- a) **Planning Committee.** It was proposed by Cllr Harriman seconded by Cllr Gist and unanimously agreed that the minutes of the Planning Committee on 4th August 2015 and the 18<sup>th</sup> August 2015 be received (1 abstention). There will be no Planning meeting next week.
- b) **Town Hall & Premises Committee.** It was proposed by Cllr Denley seconded by Cllr Gist and agreed that the minutes of the Town Hall & Premises Committee on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2015 be received (1 abstention).
- c) **Outside Services Committee.** There has been no official meeting of the Outside Services this month, but a site visit to the cemetery to inspect the new kerbing.
- d) **Finance & General Purposes Committee.** It was proposed by Cllr Tagg seconded by Cllr Mrs Coakley and agreed that the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee of 18<sup>th</sup> August 2015 be received (1 abstention).
- e) **Any other reports [not for decision].** Nothing.
- f) **Reports from Cornwall Councillors.** Nothing.
- g) **Reports for Kelly Bray.** Nothing.

## 8. FINANCE

- a) It was proposed by Cllr Gist seconded by Cllr Denley and agreed to make the following payments:

### Payments for approval 25th August 2015

FGP	9457	Inland Revenue	PAYE & NI	2,562.44
TH	9458	EDF Energy	Chapel electricity	213.18
OS	9459	SWW	Haye Rd allotments	66.51
TH	9460	SWW	Unit 19 water	116.17
FGP	9461	Bluemoon	Sept newsletter	376.00
FGP	9462	Inland Revenue	PAYE & NI	4,894.63
				<b>8,228.93</b>

- b) To receive any concerns regarding the finances, in order to decide on a suitable course of action, namely a position statement on the arrears. None.
- c) **Grant Thornton's Audit for the Year End 31 March 2015.**

The Clerk went through the external auditor's report and comments.

**Resolved.** It was proposed by Cllr Denley seconded by Cllr Gist and agreed to note the report and their comments as part of the annual review of financial procedures.

## 9. FESTIVE LIGHTS

Further quotes have been received and circulated concerning the lights and upgrades.

Cllr Mrs Tolman asked to have it placed on record that she felt it was a horrendous amount of money to be spent by the Town Council.

**Resolved.** It was proposed by Cllr Gist seconded by Cllr Denley and agreed (9 Support, 2 Against and 0 Abstentions) to proceed with the quote from LITE and Manton Electricals, albeit with a leeway of £100 on the quote to allow for any minor changes.

## 10. ANY URGENT ITEMS

- a) Cllr Mrs Gold asked about the mirror on the post by Bonnie's. Cllr Smith said that it had appeared about 8-9 months ago and was reported to Cllr Long to be removed. The Clerk would report this again to Cllr Long.

b) Cllr Smith and the Clerk have met with GP Strategies, a skills training academy. There are potentially a few courses that may be of interest and these would be explored further.

c) The raffle for the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire would be held after the meeting and followed up with a press release.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.29pm