

CALLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
Full Council Minutes
23rd July 2019 at 7pm in the Council Chambers

PUBLIC SESSION

19 Members of the Public were present for the Public Session.

South Hill Parish Council – don't feel the consultation has been published for long enough and Cormac don't appear to be looking at the bigger picture and how this will impact on the main Launceston Road junction.

In response Cllr Tolman made reference to a previous application dating back to 1997.

Resident of Woodgate, South Hill Road – This plan is meant to be safe and for traffic calming but we already have problems on that stretch of road and the proposed narrowing features will multiply these, creating gridlock and making the road more dangerous.

Resident of Liston, South Hill Road – Had provided the Portreeve with a copy of this letter which the Town Council fully endorses and supports. In addition, he spoke about the single file and how this will bring the road to a standstill, which could potentially have a disastrous impact on the Fire Station. Could road humps have a better impact on slowing the traffic down rather than narrowing the road?

Resident of Iverna, South Hill Road – Her property will lose the drop kerb which is unfair and will mean that her family will have to start parking on the road, creating more traffic issues. She went on to speak about the Transport of London report, which states that gas omissions go up by 20%, when cars stop and start; we should be looking to reducing pollution not increasing it. The South Hill Road is the primary 'escape' road off the very busy main artery road, and this will become very dangerous.

Resident of Woodgate, South Hill Road – Spoke about the school drop off and pick up times and how this will be impacted, as many parents have used South Hill Road for parking. What if parents decide to now park on the main A388 – this could be fatal.

South Hill Parish Council – Reiterated that the consultation period hasn't been long enough. He has encouraged the residents of his parish to comment on this, and explained that elderly residents are scared to come into town, using the South Hill

Road, particularly as school times. He suggested that parking enforcement needs to be increased in the area to stop illegal parking. The new developments will more than double the amount of vehicles along this road and the proposal is to create a bottleneck. This needs to be rethought and Cornwall Council told that the proposals aren't good enough. South Hill, Linkinhorne and Callington Town and Parish Councils should work together and get a proper solution.

Resident of Woodgate, South Hill Road – reiterated that the way the consultation has been handled is disgusting.

Resident of Glebe Meadow – Spoke of his concerns with the Cormac report being a simple reiteration of the original report done by Bakers Estates. Cormac have delved into the Bakers report and haven't included various things and there are lots of gaps missing from the concerns raised from the first report. He went on to mention that build outs are not friendly to cyclists. He felt that it hasn't been very well thought out and parking/access to the recreational group and allotments will be lost. He doesn't feel that Cormac have met their brief on delivering a suitable plan. What was their brief?

South Hill Parish Council – there needs to be a holistic approach, to enhance the traffic flow. We need to stand our ground with this and not allow 170 houses built without making the roads safe and allowing the flow of traffic.

Resident of Glebe Meadow – The developer is not controlling the dust as agreed, and lorries are parking along Glebemeadow. With this being a 5 year project we need to get this sorting out.

South Hill Parish Council – The junction on to the main Launceston road is a real problem and the chicanes needs to be taken away from the proposals.

Cllr Long responded by explaining the Highways Act and the consultation process.

Resident of Woodgate, South Hill Road – How are local residents not on-line supposed to know what is going on? There are no reports in the library, as claimed, to look at?

Resident of Iverna, South Hill Road – Could the estate look at putting traffic lights at the start of the housing estate?

Cllr Long spoke about the holistic approach but this needs to come through Cornwall Council not through one application. He went on to explain how the consultations should be conducted.

Cllr Flashman said that he would support a traffic light scheme, making reference to Gunnislake.

One Callington also said that the proposals were unsatisfactory and there needs to be a more positive solution, making reference to the highways guidance we are getting for the Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr Long said that the concerns raised regarding the dust and lorries is contrary to the Traffic Policy so he would follow that up. Baker Estates should be logging any complaints and also circulated a monthly newsletter (which has not happened). It was suggested that they would put something in the Town Council's newsletter. Cllr Long would get clarification from the developers on what the brief was for Cormac.

Resident of Iverna - South Hill Road – reported that work is going on between the hours of 7am-7.30pm, 7 days a week and over the Bank Holidays.

Residents were encouraged to forward any reports/concerns to Cllr Long and he can then pass this on to the Planning & Highways Officers.

Cllr Flashman spoke about the road width being kept the same. He also spoke Environmental Protection and being a member of the Licensing Committee since 2002.

Cllr Tagg – Resident of Broadmead – will speak again to Baker Estates about their Newsletter.

Cllr Flashman spoke about the Footpaths Committee, which meet 3 times a year.

1. APOLOGIES

CLLRS GOLD, McCALLION & WATSON

PRESENT: CLLRS BURROWS, COAKLEY, FOX, LONG, RAPHAEL, TAGG, TOLMAN (CHAIR)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 14 OFFICER: CLERK

2. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting on the 25th June 2019 were received as a correct record of proceedings.

Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Raphael seconded by Cllr Burrows and agreed unanimously.

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.

Item 14 – Cllr Coakley being a Member of the Lions Club.

Item 16 – Cllr Burrows, having family members showing potential interest in the vacancies.

5. FOR DECISION – To receive the Statement for the Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr Long explained that the consultants are working on the vision statement and once completed will be brought back to Councillors.

6. POLICE MATTERS

Cllr Tagg explained that a meeting had been held yesterday with a number of residents and the Town Forum regarding communication to and from the Police, and another meeting is arranged with our local Inspector.

He gave an update on the CCTV cameras.

The Police have put forward a proposal that financial support is provided to bring the LED Band to our local school. Information on this had been previously circulated to Members. A local resident also gave support on this initiative.

A discussion then followed and Cllr Flashman offered support through his Community Fund, as would Cllr Long. However, bids to the Community Fund can't come through the Town Council but organisations such as the Lions, so Cllr Coakley would approach them for support.

7. FIRE MATTERS

Cllr Long reported that the on-call Fire Fighters are short in numbers.

8. TOWN FORUM/ONE CALLINGTON MATTERS

KO gave an update on their projects, namely:

- Clean Up project - have collected all the information and met with a professional cleaning firm, and are encouraging traders to provide some commitment as well.
- They have met with the HLF regarding support towards the Murals and are talking with property owners.
- Discussions have been held regarding the ring fenced money for Youth, currently with Cornwall Council. The HLF are keen on repurposing buildings for Youth and how this may work at the Social Club; a building that has capacity to accommodate such a scheme.
- Work has also started on the I-walk for Cornwall, to make Callington a place to revisit and link in with the footpaths and trails, which may involve South Hill Parish Council. The idea being to have walks for the families, and having possibly a quiz linked in and prizes with the local traders.
- And finally, KO spoke about the current Town Council Newsletter, comparing it to a coloured glossy Cornwall magazine, and the demand for having it distributed to door-to-door.

9. MINING MATTERS

Mr Harrison was present and gave a brief update. Regular reports are also sent to the Town Council and available to view on the website, and he has attended the latest KBRA meeting to clarify any concerns. He went on to explain that Strategic Minerals will be buying out New Age Exploration.
Noted.

10. TOWN CRIER – AN INTRODUCTION TO NEW COUNCILLORS

Tony Stentiford was in attendance and explained what he does in his role as Town Crier, for the town and further afield. He went on to discuss what regalia and clothing he has, that is ultimately owned by the Town Council, and what financial support he has secured with local groups and organisations.
Noted.

11. REPORTS

a) Planning Committee. Minutes from the 2nd and 16th July 2019 (pages 35-37 and 43-44)

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Coakley seconded by Cllr Tagg and agreed unanimously to receive the minutes.

The respective Planning Officers have been in contact with, the Clerk regarding application PA19/05062 (Cllrs have been asked to send in their

comments by the end of the week) and with Cllr Long regarding application PA19/05330 (given the conflict in wording, Cllr Long has asked for guidance before a decision can be reached). **Noted.**

b) Town Hall & Premises Committee. Minutes from the 2nd July 2019 (pages 38-41, 42 being exempt).

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Tagg and agreed unanimously to receive the minutes.

c) Outside Services Committee. Minutes from the 16th July 2019 (pages 45-49).

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Tolman seconded by Cllr Coakley and agreed unanimously to receive the minutes.

d) Finance & General Purposes Committee. – Minutes from the 25th June 2019 (pages 25-27)

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Tolman seconded by Cllr Coakley and agreed unanimously to receive the minutes.

e) Staffing. Nothing to report.

f) Market Stall Initiative. Any updates from Cllr McCallion.

Cllr Coakley reported that 650 had attended the first market, which is very encouraging and she will be providing a tuckshop for the next market. **Noted.**

g) Environmental Sub- Committee. Any updates from Cllr Raphael.

Cllr Raphael spoke about the works schedule for the first wildlife zone at the cemetery and the opportunity to have a second zone at St Mary's Church. Work is underway to have section on the Town Council website with updates. The Public Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 30th July at 7pm. **Noted.**

h) Health & Safety Update. To receive any updates.

Nothing to report.

i) Any other reports [not for decision] from Councillors.

None.

j) Reports from Cornwall Councillors.

Cllr Long spoke about recent matters that he has been looking into namely parking at Zaggy Lane and Skitta Hill. He discussed Ginsters' energy centre proposals, which is a good sign that the company is basing itself in Callington, being a major employer in the town. And finally, he said that his recent surgeries have been well attended and are going well.

Cllr Flashman explained what Committees he attends at Cornwall Council, namely Licensing at St Austell, Full Council, the Countryside Forum and Central Planning. He went on to speak of his support for the playgroup at Kelly Bray and speeding problems on the main roads. The best means of contacting him is via the phone.

k) Reports for Kelly Bray.

Cllr Burrows had attended the recent KBRA meeting. They have received an official apology from the Charity Commission and are conducting a number of surveys, the findings of which will be brought to Full Council.

12. FINANCE

a) Approval for expenditure as listed.

Agreed at the F&GP meeting held earlier this evening.

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.

13. FOR DECISION – To discuss the email circulated on the 17th June 2019 regarding Polling Districts and Polling Places Review stage 2 consultation.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Coakley and agreed that this be noted.

14. FOR DECISION – To discuss the proposed charges to and from Callington Lions Club relating to their support towards the Town Council and associated events.

Cllr Coakley left the meeting for item 14.

The Clerk explained how the Lions Club would be charging the Town Council for their support and in return how they might financially support our events, for example, sponsoring the film shows.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Tagg and agreed to proceed with the proposals.

15. **FOR DECISION – To revisit the request to join the Disability Confident Scheme (Dementia Friendly), previously discussed in October 2018, see link below:**
https://callington-tc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/FC-Minutes-2018_10_23.pdf

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Fox and agreed unanimously that we are equal opportunities employer and the request to join this scheme just be noted.

16. **FOR DECISION – To discuss the casual vacancy positions and the recruitment process.**

The adverts have been prepared and displayed, with a closing date in early September. Interviews will be held at September Full Council in the same manner as our recent recruitment process.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Fox and agreed that the process be agreed and noted.

17. **ANY URGENT ITEMS**

The Clerk explained that she had received some enquiries to borrow the marquees, however until costings and hiring T&Cs are finalised they would not be available. **Noted.**

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.50pm and Members went on to hold a Part II Session having adjourned the F&GP meeting in the evening.