

**CALLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
Full Council Minutes**

23rd March 2021 7pm Virtual Meeting (Streamed on YouTube)

Prayers were led by Rev. David Moss prior to the meeting.

Public Session

Four members of the public in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES

CLLR MORGAN, CLLR RAPHAEL

PRESENT: CLLR COAKLEY, GOLD, TOLMAN (CHAIR), LONG, MOORE, TAGG, WATSON

**OFFICERS: TOWN CLERK , ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK, OPERATIONS MANAGER
FACILITIES & MAINTENANCE OFFICER (TO SUPPORT THE IT)**

2. MINUTES

Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of 23rd February 2021.

Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Gold seconded by Cllr Tagg and agreed unanimously to approve the minutes of 23rd February 2021.

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.

Cllr Tagg for item 14

5. DISPENSATIONS – To consider any requests for dispensations.

None.

6. RATIFICATION OF ANY DECISIONS MADE SINCE THE LAST MEETING

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Tolman seconded by Cllr Tagg and agreed unanimously to ratify all decisions that have been made since the last meeting.

7. KELLY BRAY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MATTERS

Nothing to report.

8. POLICE MATTERS

Nothing to report.

9. FIRE MATTERS

Cllr Long reported that the number of officers, throughout the whole of Cornwall, currently affected by COVID 19 was down to single figures. He gave thanks to neighbouring units, Liskeard, Saltash, Launceston and Tavistock who provided cover for Callington whilst colleagues were affected by the virus.

10. ONE CALLINGTON/TOWN FORUM – TO RECEIVE ANY UPDATES FROM MR OLIVER REGARDING THIS GROUP AND TO DISCUSS HIS IDEAS REGARDING A BID TO THE VITALITY FUNDING

Mr Oliver spoke about the Vitality Funding and how it could benefit Callington and help to revitalize the Town Centre. He suggested that an 'wide ranging' application be put in to Cornwall Council for the Town Vitality fund but it would not be a straight forward process, it would require a lot of information and would require much groundwork in order to fulfil the criteria to achieve a successful outcome. He felt that if a Town Team was not formed to create a viable bid the Vitality Fund the Town would not qualify for the Levelling Up Fund, recently announced by the Government. Mr Oliver mentioned other funds that could be available for the Town to bid for and felt that everything possible should be done to engage with the community to find out if support was there as local community groups had many ideas for projects.

Mr Oliver confirmed that the Town Council would be required to lead a Town Team and put some funding aside to help put the bid together.

Cllr Moore shared a PowerPoint presentation that he and Cllr Tagg had prepared which underlined a proposed two phased method approach to assembling a Town Team, investigating and ensuring that the Vitality Funding criteria was met, identifying projects and opportunities that the Vitality Fund would provide, employing experienced specialists to expedite the application process, practicalities and costs and compiling a questionnaire for organisations, businesses and the community to complete.

Further discussions took place and Mr Oliver expressed his views on the proposal. It was noted that this was time restricted with the deadline for submitting an application being 30th June 2021.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Watson seconded by Cllr Long and unanimously agreed to support the formation of a Town Team and approve a budget to enable some preparatory work to be undertaken including the bid writing. In addition, for the Town Council to complete further investigations and oversee the creation of a Town Team; to ensure that the best placed members of the community and business community are selected.

11. REPORTS

a) **Planning Committee.** Minutes from the meetings held on the 16th February 2021

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

b) **Town Hall & Premises Committee.** Minutes from the meeting held on the 2nd February 2021.

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

c) **Outside Services Committee.** Minutes from the meeting held on 16th February 2021.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Gold seconded by Cllr Tolman and unanimously agreed to accept the minutes.

d) **Finance & General Purposes Committee.** Minutes from the meeting held on the 26th January 2021.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Tagg seconded by Cllr Cookley and unanimously agreed to accept the minutes.

e) Staffing – None.

f) Market Stall Initiative – None

g) Environmental Sub- Committee – Minutes from the meeting held on the 9th March 2021. Gold and unanimously agreed to accept the minutes.

h) Health & Safety Update. To receive any updates on the pandemic and to agree any proposed actions/responses, namely public toilets, bus shelter, office and events proposed in the Town Hall. Also to receive the completed report from the Health and Safety inspection (as circulated on 13th February and then discussed at the committee meetings for action points)

The Health and Safety report had been received by each committee and any actions have been agreed. The Clerk reported that the draft report had been received at the last meeting, it was subsequently presented to each committee during March to approve actions with the full completed report and actions presented at this meeting.

Cllr Gold gave thanks to the Operations Manager for all the hard work he has carried out on the Health and Safety inspection to achieve a correct and organized conclusion.

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

None

j) Reports from Cornwall Councillors.

Cllr Long reported:

- i) that Cornwall Council had moved into purdah which restricts what can be decided from now until after the elections
- ii) Cornwall Council is moving forward with the proposals for the speed limit reductions on the A390 past Fullaford Road, on the Florence Road junction and for the increased parking on Zaggy Lane and near the Health Centre

- iii) The Baker Estate development on South Hill Road continues to impress with the quality of the build
- iv) The roadmap to the end of lockdown has been produced but is subject to change

12. FOR DECISION – to approve the NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN as recommended by the Planning Committee

Deferred until the next meeting.

13. FOR DECISION – To discuss the Climate Emergency Plan Document Pre-Submission Draft from Cornwall Council (as circulated on 1st March)

Cllr Long reported that this is part of the process when Cornwall Council signed the Climate Emergency in 2019. The reality of Climate Change needs to be introduced into all policies. The Town Council has been looking at this and making sure that when planning applications come through talks are had about how the Climate Emergency can be included in any recommendations to Cornwall Council.

Noted.

14. FOR DECISION – To discuss the request regarding the RBLI outdoor Tommy projects. A way to commemorate fallen heroes in the local community.

Cllr Tagg suggested that this should be passed on the new council for consideration and that the RBLI should put in a grant request to the Town Council for funding for this project.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Tagg seconded by Cllr Gold and agreed that the RBLI should submit a grant application to the Town Council for consideration by the new council. (6 support, 1 abstention)

15. FOR DECISION – To nominate a Governor for the Primary School TDAT

The Clerk reported that this nomination would not necessarily mean the nominated person would become a Governor, it is just the Council's suggested nomination for the Primary School Governing Board to decide.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Tolman seconded by Cllr Gold and unanimously agreed to put forward Cllr Watson as the Town Council's nominated Governor.

15. ANY URGENT ITEMS

None.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 7.55pm