

AGENDA ITEM No 5

MINUTES of the Meeting of the **TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL** held at the Council Chamber, Drake Road, Tavistock on **TUESDAY 15th APRIL, 2014** at **6.50 pm**

PRESENT Councillor H Smith (Mayor)

Councillor J Sheldon (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors Mrs S Bailey, R Eberlie, Mrs M Ewings, Mrs A Johnson, Mrs J Metcalf, J Moody, C Rogers, P Sanders, J Sellis, E Sherrell, B Trew, D Whitcomb

IN ATTENDANCE Town Clerk, Assistant to the Town Clerk, THI Project Manager

Note – prior to the Meeting there was an opportunity for quiet reflection and to receive reports from County Councillor Mrs D Sellis and West Devon Borough Councillor R Oxborough. In particular PCSO K Williams was commended for securing the award of North & West Devon Police Neighbourhood Officer of the Year.

438. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors A Fleet, E Sanders and Mrs J Whitcomb.

439. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

440. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Tavistock Town Council held on Tuesday 4th March, 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Noted That arising from the above a Member made a short personal statement in connection with confidential minute no 400(a).

441. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Council considered the following reports of Standing Committees:-

a) Plans Committee – 11th March, 2014

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Plans Committee held on 11th March, 2014 (Minute Numbers 401-409 inclusive)

b) Plans Committee – 1st April, 2014

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Plans Committee held on 1st April, 2014 (Minute Numbers 410-418 inclusive)

c) Properties Committee – 8th April, 2014

Subject to the deferral of Minute Number 426 to a later point in the Meeting in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Properties Committee held on 8th April, 2014 (Minute Numbers 419-425 inclusive)

d) Finance and General Purposes Committee – 8th April, 2014

Subject to the deferral of Minute Number 437 to a later point in the Meeting in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 8th April, 2014 (Minute Numbers 427-436 inclusive)

Noted That Minute 433(d) – Tavistock Heritage Festival

Consideration was further given to a request arising in connection with the above

RESOLVED THAT the request be placed before the next meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting, due to take place on 27th May 2014.

RESOLVED THAT subject to any amendments listed above the recommendations included in the foregoing Reports of Committee Meetings be approved and the Reports be received.

442. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2014-15

The Council considered a report (Appendix 1) and accompanying information circulated by a Member in connection with the above.

Following a period of discussion regarding the issues and implications arising from different arrangements for the conduct of meetings it was:

RESOLVED THAT the Calendar of Meetings for 2014-15 as submitted and prepared on a six weekly cycle be approved and adopted.

443. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF THE TOWN MAYOR

Neighbourhood Planning Training – 29th April 2014 at 6.30pm

Members were reminded of the importance of the above training and all those who had yet to respond to the invitation from the Assistant to the Town Clerk were asked to do so as a matter of urgency.

444. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was:-

RESOLVED THAT the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for the following items of business.

445. COMMITTEES (CONTINUED)

(**CONFIDENTIAL** – by virtue of relating to legal matters and/or the financial or business affairs of a person/persons other than the Council).

The Council considered the outstanding reports of the following Standing Committees held on 8th April 2014, consideration of which had previously been deferred (Minute Number 441 refers).

a) **Properties Committee** – (Minute Number 426)

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Properties Committee held on 8th April, 2014 (Minute Number 426)

b) **Finance and General Purposes Committee** – (Minute Number 437)

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 8th April, 2014 (Minute Number 437)

RESOLVED THAT subject to any amendments listed above the recommendations included in the foregoing reports of Committee Meetings be approved and the reports be received.

The Press and Public were re-admitted to the meeting

The Meeting closed at 7.31pm.

Signed _____

Chairman

Dated _____