

**Minutes of a Meeting of St Ives Town Council
held on Wednesday 10 March 2021 via Zoom**

Present:

Town Mayor: Councillor J Pallant

Deputy Town Mayor: Councillor P Hussain

Councillors: M King, P Pope, N Dibben, J Tiddy, J Davies, C Smith, R D'Souza, R Fuller, N Wells, Dr C Pegoraro

In attendance:

Museum Director: Ms C Hardy

Deputy Town Clerk: C Allison

Committee Clerk: S Rawlinson

The Town Mayor's Chaplain said Prayers before the Meeting.

WELCOME

The Town Mayor welcomed Claire Hardy who would become Director of the Norris Museum in April to the meeting.

Ms Hardy said it was a privilege to have been appointed to the position, although her appointment would not become official until 1 April. She had already met the team at the Museum and looked forward to meeting Members face to face when circumstances permitted.

C176.00 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor A Dickinson (HDC commitment), Councillors T Drye, A Ayers-Wilson and D Rowe (Personal) and the Town Clerk.

C177.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

C178.00 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Agenda Item C186.01 – Information Board on The Waits

A representative from the Ouse Valley Trust informed Members that the information board proposed for siting on The Waits was one of a series of 12 to be laced at intervals along the Ouse Valley Way. The existing boards were 20 years old and in poor condition. There was currently only one board which was at the top of Meadow Lane. He suggested three possible locations for the board but the favoured position was alongside the wall of the Norris Museum.

C179.00 MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 February 2021 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Town Mayor at a future date.

C180.00 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Members received and noted the following Minutes:

C180.01 Planning Committee held on 10 and 24 February 2021.

C180.02 Amenities Committee held on 24 February 2021.

C181.00 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

RESOLVED: that the notes of the meeting held on 3 March 2021 be received and noted.

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C182.00 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members were in receipt of Mayor's engagement list. He stated that he had also attended several meetings with HDC over the past few weeks.

C183.00 CIVIC EVENTS 2021

Members discussed the holding of civic events in 2021.

The Town Mayor hoped that when the lockdown ended completely it might be possible to hold public civic events again, even if on a smaller scale than usual.

The Town Mayor Elect requested the views of Members on having the Annual Council Meeting during week commencing 19 May. Additionally discussions had been held to see if a civic event could be arranged on 4 July. This would not be the traditional civic service but more an expression of appreciation to all those who had worked so hard for the community during the pandemic. Discussions were ongoing.

Members agreed that there was no objection to moving the Annual Meeting to week commencing 19 May.

It was noted that plans were going ahead with the hope of holding the Carnival on 9-11 July.

C184.00 CLEANING CONTRACT

Members were in receipt of report recommending the retention of Atkins Gregory to provide cleaning services to the Council on a one month rolling basis. The current contract expires on 11 April.

- RESOLVED:**
- C184.01** that the report is received and noted
 - C184.02** that Atkins Gregory be retained to provide cleaning services to the Town Council on a one month rolling basis with one month's notice of termination
 - C184.03** that the situation be reviewed again in 12 months time

C185.00 MOORING ON THE WAITS

Consideration was given to the removal of two vessels abusing the length of stay permitted on The Waits.

Members queried whether, after removal, the vessels could return to The Waits or would there be something in place to prevent this. The Deputy Town Clerk agreed to check the situation.

- RESOLVED:**
- C185.01** that the report is received and noted.
 - C185.02** that Bryan LeCloche Ltd Enforcement Agents be appointed to serve eviction notices on the two vessels and, if necessary, evict them at an estimated cost of £696.10.
 - C185.03** that the Council's enforcement of its moorings be publicised on social media
 - C185.04** that the cost of any future enforcement be taken into account when setting budgets

C186.00 REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES**C186.01 Great Ouse Valley Trust**

Consideration was given to a request from the Great Ouse Valley Trust for the commissioning and siting of an information board on The Waits.

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Members were supportive of the request and agreed that further discussion on the funding and the siting of the board would need to be held when the Town Clerk returned to work.

- RESOLVED: C186.01** that the request be supported subject to further discussion on the siting and funding of the board
- C186.02** that the Town Clerk be asked to prepare a policy document on the availability and use of CIL funds and present this to a future meeting

C187.00 ROLLING PROGRAMME

RESOLVED: that the Rolling Programme be received and noted.

C188.00 ORDERS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: that the schedule of orders for payment be received and noted.

C189.00 BANK RECONCILIATION

RESOLVED: that the Bank Reconciliation be received and noted.

C190.00 BUDGET REPORT

RESOLVED: that the Budget Report be received and noted.

C191.00 POLICE MATTERS

No official report had been received.

Councillor Pope reported that he had received no questions from members to be raised with the Police Sergeant.

C192.00 CCTV REPORT

RESOLVED: that the report be received and noted.

C193.00 COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

No report was received.

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No report was received.

Town Mayor:

Dated:

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