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# **MINUTES OF THE MARAZION TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

# **TUESDAY 22nd MARCH 2022 TOWN HALL MARAZION**

# **Meeting number 22/21/22**

**Present**: Cllr W Collins Dep Chairman, Cllr J Nicholas, Cllr D Walsh, Cllr J Tutchier, Cllr G Reynolds, Cllr R Clayton, Cllr J Rawlins.

**In attendance:**

Mrs T Unstead Town Clerk

**1062 Apologies**

Cllr P Read

Cllr P Hosking

Cllr R Stokoe

Cllr D Laity

**1063 Public Participation**

Ten residents attended, five of which spoke under public participation sharing their concerns about planning application PA22/00960 agenda item 21(a)(i).

Resident number one asked for the Council not to support the application for a few reasons those being: -

* The site is prominent within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and is

visible from a range of distances including St Michael's Mount

* Development of this sloping coastal and special site would result in a huge change
* to landscape character; 4 dwellings resulting in a vast urbanisation
* Subdivision of the field and the presence of up to 4 new dwellings and their

gardens and driveways would undoubtedly impact on the scenic beauty

* The site appears visually distinct from the settlement boundary of Marazion and

therefore, should not comprise 'infill'

* The field site is a prominent field parcel having a distinctly rural and open feel
* Development of the site would result in encroachment into the countryside
* Access and exit would be onto an already busy junction on Turnpike Road would have the potential to increase the risk of a serious accident which is unacceptable.
* The applicants have referred to the redevelopment of the Mount Haven site however this redevelopment is contained within the footprint and boundaries of the former hotel.
* Potential impact on biodiversity values through loss of habitats
* The impact such a development would have on the setting of the Grade II listed building Chymorvah Hotel.
* Keep Marazion's green fields green!

Resident number two expressed their concerns about the access and exit from the proposed development onto Turnpike Road especially with it being a single-track road and a very busy junction. There is a real potential for a serious accident to take place and concurred with the first speakers concerns about the access and exit. It is not safe, and an accident will happen.

Resident number three advised the council that for at least twenty-six years the field had been used for agricultural purposes, the growing of vegetables. The applicant refers to the field not being agricultural land which is incorrect.

Resident number four advised the council that applicant does not own access to the lane as stated in the Design and Access statement. The resident advised the council as to who owns the access to the lane. The applicant has a legal right of way but not ownership. Councillor Collins explained that there is a difference between agricultural access and domestic access.

Resident number five gave a brief history of the access lane ownership to the Council as they sold the land to the current owner.

Council Collins thanked everyone for attending and sharing their concerns with the Council. The Council will consider their views when considering the application which considering all the information received may require a resolution to defer the agenda item until Tuesday 29th March 2022.

**1064 Declarations of Interest**

None

**1065 Dispensations**

None

**1066 Mayors Report – Matters of Urgency**

None.

**1067 Clerks Report**

**The Town Clerk reported that:**

i The Chairman of the Council had asked for the Town Clerk to say ‘thank you’ to Cllr Nicholas for fixing the locks in the gentleman’s toilets at the Folly Field toilets.

ii The visit to St Michaels Mount is due to take place on Friday 25th March however due to increasing sickness levels do Councillors still wish to proceed? Consensus was to postpone. The Town Clerk is to contact St Aubyn Estates to let them know.

Iii A report to the Devon and Cornwall 101 online reporting system about the vandalised toilet locks, gentleman’s toilets, Folly Field has been made.

ii An application has been made and submitted to the National Lottery Community Fund for grant monies towards the cost of the Feliskirk BT telephone box.

iii The RNLI have informed the Council that the RNLI are organising a May Day Mile Sportiv 1st May 2022, the family event finishing at the Folly Field. The Town Clerk to seek clarification if the RNLI are using the Folly Field or the car park.

**1068 Correspondence Received.**

None.

**1069 Councillor Reports**

**a) Town Councillors**

i **Cllr Walsh**

**Reported that**:

A local resident had reported a speeding vehicle through town, the owner exceeding the speed limit. Cllr Walsh reported that he had spoken to the vehicle owner.

**ii Cllr Reynolds**

No report but asked the Town Clerk if she had any update about the Fudge shop and planning and reporting of possible breaches of planning conditions, Beach Walk North Street. The Town Clerk reported that there is no update to report about the Fudge shop and that possible breaches of planning conditions Beach Walk North Street had been reported to Cornwall Council.

iii **Cllr Nicholas**

**Reported that:**

He had met with the new Play Area inspector and reported that the swing squeak as reported was attributed to incorrect shackles being fitted. This will be resolved.

**1070 Minutes of the Council Meeting on Tuesday 22nd February 2022**

Members considered the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 8th March 2022.

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved that the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 8th March 2022 be approved and signed as a correct and accurate record.

**1071 Maypole Gardens/Seawall**

Councillor Collins introduced the agenda item reminding Councillors that the Councils insurers had advised that they are unable to insure the seawall (structure) and that the recent insurance assessment undertaken had given the Council a rebuild figure of nearly half a million pounds.

Councillors were asked to give consideration about how they should, could proceed especially as the Maypole Gardens are a revered public asset.

The Town Clerk advised that there is no decision to be made. A report will be prepared with options for Councillors to think about, that report to be prepared in due course.

Cllr Tutchier suggested a consultation event that he would be happy to lead on.

Cllr Clayton stated that there must be monies in terms of grants that could be applied i.e., flood defences. Ownership of the seawall to be established.

Councillor Collins reminded Councilors that the Annual Parish meeting is being held on Tuesday 12th April 2022 which gives an opportune time to gauge residents’ views.

**1072 Review of Marazion Town Council Financial Regulations**

**RESOLVED –** unanimous to approve and re-adopt.

**1073 To approve and adopt the draft Terms of Reference Staffing Committee**

**RESOLVED –** unanimous to approve and adopt.

**1074** **To approve and adopt the draft Terms of Reference Allotment Working Party**

**RESOLVED –** unanimous to approve and adopt.

**1075 Review of Marazion Town Council Allotment Agreements**

**RESOLVED –** unanimous to approve and adopt.

**1076 To approve and adopt the draft Terms of Reference Cemetery Working Party**

**RESOLVED –** unanimous to approve and adopt.

**1077 To approve and adopt the Terms of Reference Toilet Working Party**

**RESOLVED –** unanimous to approve and adopt

**1078** **National Government Pay Award**

Formally noted that the Public Sector pay award for 2020-2021 has been settled at 1.75%.

**1079 Queens Platinum Jubilee draft programme of events.**

The Town Clerk introduced the draft programme and sought the views of the Councillors about the inclusion of Morris Dancers. Councillors were non-committal.

The Town Clerk also added that the Marazion Chamber of Commerce were looking for Buskers to play in the town.

Cllr Tutchier reported that he had a conversation with the Chairman of the Marazion Chamber of Commerce about a treasure hunt and there is company that for £9.99 will provide a treasure hunt map for Marazion. The Chairman of the Marazion Chamber of Commerce is going to purchase one to investigate and establish if there can be a link added to the Marazion Walking Trail QR code that Cllr Stokoe had produced.

**1080 Matters Arising**

a **Minute 094(Footpath 14)**

Still awaiting response from Cornwall Council.

b **Minute 184(Flooding Green Lane)**

 Meeting yet to be arranged.

c **Minute 381(Footpath number 8)**

Note that the Town Clerk due to other priorities has yet to review the process and resources needed*.*

d **Minute 694(Maypole Gardens repair works)**

The pond is going to be emptied on Thursday 31st March, gravel and earth needed to fill. The pond is then to be planted out.

e **Minute 861(Defibrillators)**

 The Methodist Chapel have granted permissions.

f **Minute 911(Vandalised Light Bus Shelter)**

The Town Clerk has yet to contact Western Power

g **Minute 991(iv)(loose handrail Beacon Brazier)**

Materials have been purchased but due to sickness Councillors have been unable to carry out the repair.

h **Minute 1033 (To consider what can be done to recognise 70 years’ service – Mace Bearer).**

 A brief discussion took place and Cllr Rawlins advised that she could provide a sketch that can be used, its just what format. The Town Clerk is to find out and let Cllr Rawlins know.

**1081 Any other matters arising from Minutes not covered by items above.**

None

**1082 Finance**

a) **Bank Reconciliation February 2022**

 **RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve.

b) **Statement of Accounts**

**RESOLVED** – to note the statements of accounts as of the 17th of March 2022.

b) **Accounts for Payment**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve.

c) **Receipts**

**RESOLVED –** unanimousto note

d) **Direct Debits**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve

e) **Pre-payments**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve

**1083 Planning**

**a) Applications for Planning Permission**

i **Application PA22/00960**

**Location** Land Adj To Bosworgy Turnpike Road Marazion Cornwall

**Proposal** Outline application for erection of up to 4 dwellings/domestic garages with all matters reserved

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to defer until Tuesday 29th March 2022.

ii **Application PA22/02262**

**Location** Tudor Chippy West End Marazion Cornwall

**Proposal** Replace front elevation windows and rotted timber cladding

**RESOLVED** – Majority to support subject to conditions.  The conditions are all facias, soffits and barge boards are to be of a traditional specification as opposed to uPVC modern facias and guttering.

**b) Applications Approved/Refused**

None to be noted.

**c) Correspondence**

i E-mail received from Cornwall Council, five-day Local Council Protocol: PA22/00183 – Replacement dwelling and garage – Wheal Down House, Trenow Lane, Marazion.

 **AGREED** – the Town Clerk to reply ‘disagree’.

ii E-mail received five-day Local Council Protocol for PA21/09731 (Bolenna Fore Street Marazion).

 **AGREED** – the Town Clerk to reply ‘disagree’.

**1084 The Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Deems that all information held by this Council should be freely available to the public unless it falls under one of 23 exemptions.

**1085 Data Protection Act 2018**

Precludes this authority from publishing the names, addresses or other private information of individuals unless written permission is given by the individual for such details to be made public.

Therefore, where necessary, personal details have been removed from the papers attached to ensure that information held is available, but individuals are protected.

**1086 Part II**

(Private)

Items which may be taken in the absence of the public and press on grounds that Exempt information may be disclosed as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 and Public Bodies (admissions) Act 1960.

To move that in the view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted viz; information where public disclosure at this time may be prejudicial to the good business of the Council, it is in the public interest that they be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with Standing Order 3d
**RESOLVED** – unanimous to move into Part II

**1087 Town Clerk Incremental Rise**

**RESOLVED** – unanimous to approve the Town Clerk’s salary incremental rise.

Signed

Cllr William Collins

Deputy Town Mayor and Vice Chairman.