



## **MINUTES OF THE MARAZION FULL COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 TOWN HALL MARAZION**

### **Meeting number 17/25**

**Present:** Cllr J Nicholas Chairman, Cllr D Laity Deputy Chairman, Cllr P Hosking, Cllr J Rawlins, Cllr R Jelbart, Cllr P Read, Cllr G Reynolds, Cllr W Collins, Cllr R Stokoe, Cllr J Tutchier

### **In attendance:**

Mrs T Unstead Town Clerk  
Representatives from St Aubyn Estates  
One member of public  
Dr Helen Angel

### **4305 Address Reverend Sophie Troczynska**

Apologies given.

### **4306 Apologies**

None received.

### **4307 Declaration of Interests**

Cllr P Read agenda item number 11.  
Cllr D Laity agenda item number 14.  
Cllr R Stokoe declared under agenda item PA24/09128

### **4308 Dispensations.**

Cllr Laity sought a dispensation to speak on agenda item number 14.

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved.

**Proposed:** Cllr J Nicholas

**Seconded:** Cllr W Collins.

### **4309 Public Participation**

The St Aubyn Estates, Estates Director, and Estates Surveyor were invited to give an update on agenda item PA24/09128 agenda item 11.

### **4310 Mayors Report**

No report.

#### **4311 Matters of Urgency**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved in principle subject to an agenda item, Tuesday 2<sup>th</sup> February 2025 to formally approve the purchase of Saffron Buns for the Marazion School St Pirans day community event.

**Proposed:** Cllr D Laity

**Seconded:** Cllr J Nicholas

#### **4312 Clerks Report**

##### **The Town Clerk reported that:**

- i the Maypole Gardens volunteer meet and greet held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 was well attended and very useful. The next step will arrange the planting and the volunteers to help.
- ii the Maypole Gardens refurbishment final financial claim must be submitted by the 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025. There are still deadlines to be met but not until the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.
- iii they had met with representatives from the Seaweed Festival who are keen to organise an event for 2025. May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> are the dates being considered. The organisers are keen to have feedback from the Full Council about the dates. Full Council were supportive of the suggested dates.
- iv the Annual Civic Service church collection raised £180.00 for St Julia's Hospice. The Town Clerk will arrange a cheque to be sent to St Julia's Hospice.
- v a conversation had been had with a representative from the Marazion Wives Club about the town council's donation to them for their help with the Annual Civic Service. They are considering asking for a tree to be planted in the Memorial Gardens.
- vi a complaint has been received from a resident alleging a disrespect by the town councils appointed grounds maintenance contractor who looks after Marazion Cemetery. Two pots on their family cremation plot have been broken.
- vii the Town Clerk advised that they will be working from home on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

#### **4313 Correspondence Received**

None to note.

#### **4314 Councillor Reports**

##### **a) Cornwall Councillor John Martin**

##### **Reported that:**

- i Central Government changes to the planning system and national planning guidance will impact planning decisions and how we prepare our next local plan, therefore a call for housing sites is being made by Cornwall Council to all town and parish councils.
- ii he will be attending Ludgvan Parish Council, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at which planning application [PA24/09546](#) will be discussed.

b) **Town Councillor Reports**

i **Cllr R Jelbart**

**Reported that:**

The Maypole Gardens refurbishment project team met with the contractor on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025. There are some snagging works to be completed which also include the commissioning of an independent health and safety audit.

He had noticed that one of the graves in the Memorial Gardens is collapsing.

ii **Cllr R Stokoe**

**Reported that:**

The drafting of the next edition of the Turnpike is nearing completion. As the edition will be going out during the pre-election period there are rules governing what can be printed which includes not printing councillor names.

iii **Cllr P Hosking**

**Reported that:**

Double yellow lines are becoming increasingly faint, even non-existent which then affects enforcement of parking restrictions. Cllr J Martin confirmed that the Cornwall Council Highways Manager is waiting for a budget to carry out such works.

iv **Cllr J Tutchier**

**Reported that:**

The Dollan has now been painted in black paint.

The Town Clerk has yet to write to St Aubyn Estates about exploring the early release of the lease held.

v **Cllr G Reynolds**

**Reported that:**

The cemetery storage shed roof has been repaired.

She had met the applicant wanting to place a memorial bench in the cemetery as per minute 4213.

**4315 Draft Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved that the minutes are true and accurate record.

**Proposed:** Cllr J Rawlins

**Seconded:** Cllr P Hosking

**4316 Planning**

Cllr Read left the room.

Noted that the planning application is not within the parish of Marazion. The town council will be commenting but not as a statutory consultee.

i [PA24/09546](#)

**Applicant** Mr Simon Ayres.

**Address** Public Conveniences Beach Terrace Long Rock Cornwall TR20 8JJ

**Proposal** Conversion of the existing unused small building into a business space for a cafe class E(b), adding a new unisex public convenience with full accessibility as a small extension. Siting of 18 Beach Huts (temporary buildings) on the strip of land to either side of the former toilet block plus one on the roof of the block.

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved to object to the planning permission as currently set out.

- Whilst the Town Council understands it is not a statutory consultee in this instance, the plan does have an impact on a significantly used footpath and cycleway used by many residents of Marazion to get to and from Penzance and public transport hubs.
- It is overdevelopment of a site close to a national cycleway.  
Such development is likely to cause safety issues for cyclist who use this National Cycle Route 3
- The site will be unlikely to be sustainable given the rising sea levels and increased strength and prevalence of storms due to climate change.
- The 18 beach huts, particularly the one on the roof of the toilets, are neither in keeping with the area, and are overlooking other properties thereby restricting their privacy.
- The overdevelopment of the site and the concentration of so many people in one small area will cause significant damage to the natural environment and lend itself to unsustainable waste, litter and pollution affecting the beaches and the Bay.
- A significant impact on existing businesses. While we accept that this may not be an exclusive reason for objection, the presence of three cafés (The Surf Club, Hoxton Special and Jordan's) along with a pop-up shepherd hut in Longrock car park all within a half-mile radius raises concerns about market saturation.

**Proposed:** Cllr R Stokoe

**Seconded:** Cllr J Tutchier

ii **Application** [PA24/09128](#)

**Proposal** Proposed Works to Car Park including planting, creation of footpath, removal of existing cafe, siting of two shepherd huts

**Location** West Field Car Park West End Marazion Cornwall

**Applicant** C/o Felix St Aubyn St Aubyn Estates

**Grid Ref** 151484 / 30893

Cllr Nicholas invited the St Aubyn Estates, Estate Director, and Estates Surveyor to speak to the Full Council.

Cllr Laity explained that the town council had already submitted its response to the application as a statutory consultee to Cornwall Council. The St Aubyn Estates, Estate Director, and Estates Surveyor are in attendance to answer and clarify queries raised by members of the Full Council.

They are: -

a) **Environmental Impact Assessment.**

The Estate Surveyor explained that St Aubyn Estates are working in partnership with Cornwall Wildlife Trust. There is a supported initiative to protect the sand dune ridge to aid sand dune recovery.

The intention is to erect post and rope walkways through the dunes to filter people through the dunes onto the beach therefore reducing dune erosion.

There are also plans to reintroduce the dredging of the Red River which St Aubyn Estates will take the responsibility of from Cornwall Council.

St Aubyn Estates do not want to see any further erosion of the sand dune ridge.

**b) Works to the Folly Field car park.**

The Estates Director clarified that other than the demolition of the Beach Box and the relocation of the Cornish Hedge, everything else falls outside of any planning consents needing to be granted.

The creation of a walkway and pedestrian zoned area is aimed at improving the visitor experience and safety.

Cornwall Council planning have granted a four-week extension before determination of the application.

Cllr Nicholas asked Full Council if there were any other questions.

**c) The Longbarn Development.**

The St Aubyn Estates, Estates Surveyor confirmed that a planning application has been submitted to Cornwall Council. Noise and odour impact assessments must be completed. The development is going to comprise of a small café, and community sports facility.

**d) Call for sites – housing.**

The St Aubyn Estates, Estates Surveyor confirmed a meeting had been had with Cornwall Council.

**b) Planning Correspondence Receive**

None to note.

**c) Planning Decisions**

**i PA24/09295**

**Approved**

Applicant Mr. J. Hogan

Location Kenora Wheal An Wens Marazion Cornwall TR17 0DF

Proposal Proposed loft conversion & extension to an existing private detached dwellinghouse.

**ii PA24/01048**

**Refused**

Location. Fire Engine Inn Higher Fore Street Marazion Cornwall TR17 0BB

Proposal Proposed external terrace at first floor level to the rear.

**4317 Blue Zones**

Dr Helen Angel gave a presentation to the Full Council about Blue Zones, what a Blue Zone is and her vision that Marazion could become a Blue Zone.

A Blue Zone is a region of the world where people live longer and healthier lives than average due to lifestyle, health, and wellbeing. Marazion could become a Blue Zone. A community interest company is being set up as well as a Blue Zone leadership team whose role will be to progress the concept of Marazion becoming a recognised Blue Zone. There are about 60 people already Cllr Laity suggested that contact with Marazion School and Marazion GP Surgery may be helpful.

Cllr J Tutchier suggested that contact with Cornwall Council Public Health may also be beneficial.

Cllr Nicholas thanked Dr Helen Angel for her presentation.

#### **4318 Change of Full Council Meeting Date March 2025**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved to change the date to Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

**Proposed:** - Cllr J Nicholas

**Seconded:** - Cllr J Rawlins

#### **4319 Defibrillator Cabinet Wheal Rodney**

Cllr Laity granted a dispensation to speak but not vote.

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved a contribution of £100 towards a replacement cabinet.

**Proposed:** - Cllr P Read

**Seconded:** - Cllr J Rawlins

#### **4320 Request for Memorial Bench, Marazion Cemetery.**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously objected to on the grounds that the criteria for the request did not meet the town council policy set criteria.

**Proposed:** - Cllr J Nicholas

**Seconded:** - Cllr G Reynolds

#### **4321 Marazion Cemetery Cremation Plots**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved to use the identified strip of land for cremation plots.

**Proposed:** - Cllr W Collins

**Seconded:** - Cllr J Nicholas

#### **4322 Traffic Road Orders and Double Yellow Lines Longrock Road and Newtown Lane.**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved to send a letter to Ludgvan Parish Council seeking support.

**Proposed:** - Cllr R Stokoe

**Seconded:** - Cllr R Jelbart

#### **4323 Live Bus Timetable Signage**

**RESOLVED** – majority, the Chairman having the casting vote objected on the grounds that the bus shelters belong to the town council so therefore there would be a financial obligation plus concern about light pollution. Paper timetable copies suffice.

**Proposed:** - Cllr G Reynolds

**Seconded:** - Cllr P Hosking

#### **4324 Folly Field Play Area Repairs**

a) **RESOLVED** – unanimously approved a spend of £1,549.00 plus VAT to carry out urgent repairs to the Folly Field play area climbing chains.

**Proposed:** - Cllr W Collins

**Seconded:** - Cllr J Rawlins

- b) **RESOLVED** – unanimously approved a spend of £2,541 plus VAT to carry out repairs to the Folly Field play area bridge chain  
**Proposed:** - Cllr W Collins  
**Seconded:** - Cllr G Reynolds.

**4325 Asset Risk Assessments (standing agenda item)**

The Town Clerk reported that the defibrillators have been checked including the one at the Marazion Community Centre.

The Toilet Working Group members will carry out an asset risk assessment on the toilets on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

**4326 Matters Arising from previous Minutes.**

- a **Minute 184** (flooding Green Lane  
Meeting with Andrew George MP to re-arranged.
- b **Minute 381** (Footpath number 8) – note that the Town Clerk due to other priorities has yet to review the process and resources needed.
- c **Minute 1113** (play area repairs)  
Refer to minute 4324.
- d **Minute 1753(b)(iii)** (erection of pigeon spikes)  
No update.
- e **Minute 1801** (campaign mobile post office)  
Meeting with Andrew George MP to re-arranged.  
Cllr Stokoe reported that the Post Office in Goldsthitney is closing.
- f **Minute 1826** (training Legionella)  
Refer to minute 4216. Training yet to be booked.
- g **Minute 3091** (recharging RNLI for utilities)  
No update.
- h **Minute 3094** (seeking of quotes for cemetery gate redecoration and noticeboard)  
No update.
- i **Minute 4082** (Speed radar signage)  
Waiting delivery.
- j **Minute 4098(b)(viii)**(play areas and parental supervision)  
No update. The Town Clerk and Cllr Stokoe have yet to complete the town signage audit.
- k **Minute 4098(b)(viii)**(damp council chamber)

No further update.

- l **Minute 4137** (b)(i) (surveillance equipment)  
Cllrs Laity and Nicholas reported that the idea of a web cam on the Godolphin Hotel may be a way forward to view the Maypole Gardens.
- m **Minute 4183** (defibrillator and bleed kit training)  
No update.
- n **Minute 4184** (first aid training)  
No update.
- o **Minute 4186** (deterioration of the seawall)  
No update.
- p **Minute 4210** (fly tipping Island Field allotment)  
The new post has been fitted. Letters have yet to be sent to the allotment holders with the combination for the combination lock for the gate.
- q **Minute 4231**(b)(i) (flooding Gwallon Lane and water level measurement)  
Cornwall Council contacted, no further update.
- r **Minute 4231**(b)(ii) (salt bins)  
Cornwall Council contacted, no further update.
- s **Minute 4275** (Marazion cemetery)  
The shed roof has been repaired. The shed door needs redecorating.

**4327 Any other matters arising from Minutes not covered by items above.**  
None.

#### **4328 Finance**

**RESOLVED** – unanimously approved en-bloc.

**Proposed:** Cllr P Hosking

**Seconded:** Cllr R Jelbart

- a **Statement of Accounts – as per bank statements 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

Barclays Community	£175.00
Barclays Business	£134,945.91
CCLA	£100,000.00
NS&I	£53,185.53
- b **Accounts for Payments (22<sup>nd</sup> January – 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025)**  
None



c	<b>Receipts (22<sup>nd</sup> January – 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025)</b>	
	Car park space No 5	£75.00
	CCLA interest	£400.57
	Garage No 1	£50.00
	Burial	£1,075.00
d	<b>Direct Debit Payments (22<sup>nd</sup> January – 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025)</b>	
	Talk Talk (phone, broadband)	£56.39
	Alchemy Systems (cyber security laptop)	£68.40
	Alchemy Systems (licences annual)	£133.05
	Lebara (mobile phone sim)	£4.40
	British Gas (electric Square toilets)	£49.40
e	<b>Pre-payments (22<sup>nd</sup> January – 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025)</b>	
	Mole Valley Farmers (post, chain, padlock allotments)	£25.77
	Nick Ferris skip hire (allotments)	£582.00
	Cornish Heritage Builders	£36,576.00
	Amazon (disposable overalls)	£13.99
	Amazon (masonry paint)	£8.99
	Amazon (safety goggles)	£12.99
	Amazon (safety masks)	£17.99
	Breage and District Silver Band	£250.00

#### **4329 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 / or the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) 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.

#### **4330 Mounts Bay Sailing Club (MBSC) Lease**

Cllrs Rawlins, Read, and Reynolds left the meeting.

Under a Matter of Urgency.

Refer to minute 4304.

Meeting closed 9.38pm.

**Cllr J Nicholas**

**Town Mayor**