

**NEWQUAY TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTE** Minutes of the FBOS Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 15 **ACTIONS:**  
**REF:** February 2017 at 2pm in the Council Chamber, Municipal Offices,  
Marcus Hill, Newquay.

**Present**

Cllrs Slade (Chairman), Monk (Vice-Chairman), Hannan, Mrs Dixon and Leadbetter

**Also attending**

Mr Curtis (Town Clerk & RFO), Mr Piwecki (Deputy Town Clerk), Mr Rowley (Administrative Assistant to the Town Clerk), Cllr Mrs Craze and 4 members of the public

**OS025/17** **Apologies**

Apologies received from Cllrs Mrs Bunt and Miss Gwilliam

**OS026/17** **To receive Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

None.

**OS027/17** **Public Engagement Time**

The public raised concerns on the following points;

- The silt in the Upper Lake at Trenance.

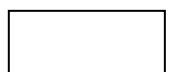
The Council informed the public that it was being investigated by Cornwall Council senior management and the divisional member. An action plan was underway to have the silt removed by the end of the calendar year.

- The Lookout at Towan Headland

The Council would look to write to Cornwall Council expressing concerns over the lack of maintenance on the lookout

- Misleading signs on the Tram Tracks

The Council would flag up with Cormac Solutions Ltd



**OS028/17** **To discuss and consider the implementation of an Open Spaces Team initially on a Fixed Term contract versus contractor (s)**

Members discussed the current lack of care given to Newquay's open spaces and assets due to cuts that Cornwall Council are facing. The proposal of an "Open Spaces Team" is to augment the works that are currently being provided by Cornwall Council to help bring Newquay back into a cleaner and a more efficient state. What is proposed is a trial of a hired team, due to the constraints that are faced in regard procurement. This would provide a more proactive approach rather than awaiting for Cornwall Council to find budget and agree a programme of works. Members discussed that the Newquay Clean forum could be utilised to raise and discuss open spaces and maintenance issues with Cornwall Council officers.

Some members raised questions around the daily work that this team undertake in order to keep themselves busy and the method of an "18 month, fixed term contract". There were concerns the residents of Newquay may see this as double taxation. After a lengthy debate members agreed the trial was the correct approach so it does not tie the Council to any long term commitments.

It was proposed by Cllr Slade, seconded by Cllr Monk, and

**RESOLVED** unanimously to **RECOMMEND** the implementation of recruitment for an Open Spaces Supervisor, followed by 2 Open Spaces Operatives initially on 18 Month Fixed Term contracts

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*At this time Cllr Mrs Craze left the meeting (7:59pm)*

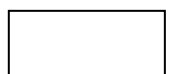
**OS029/17** **To discuss and make any decisions on hanging basket provision for 2017-18**

It was proposed by Cllr Hannan, seconded by Cllr Towill, and

**RESOLVED** unanimously to purchase an additional 20 hanging baskets at a cost of £1536.

*At this time 4 members of the public left the meeting (8:00pm)*

**OS030/17** **To discuss and make any decisions on the lease between the Council**



**and Mount Wise Allotments Association**

It was proposed by Cllr Hannan, seconded by Cllr Slade, and

**RESOLVED unanimously to approve the lease to Mount Wise Allotments Association with the amendment that the rental price would be £120 per acre, £516 for the site.**

**OS031/17 To receive an update on Open Spaces Projects**

Tram Tracks - An update was given, regarding the progression of the work with the Railings on the Tram Tracks.

Land beside the Bowling Green - An update was given regarding the small strip of land here.

It was proposed by Cllr Slade, seconded by Cllr Hannan, and

**RESOLVED unanimously to approve quotation of £1140 to undertake vegetation trimming at the Bowling Green, Fore Street.**

**OS032/17 Items for information and discussion only**

Members discussed the future of benches in the Town.

**OS033/17 Date and time of next meeting**

The next meeting scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday 19 April 2017 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Marcus Hill, Newquay.

The Chairman thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 8:32pm

**Signed.....Chairman Cllr S Slade**

**Date.....**

