NEWQUAY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTE RFF:

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 04 October 2017 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Marcus Hill, Newquay.

ACTION

Present

Cllrs Mrs North (Mayor), Mr Hannan (Deputy Mayor), Mr Carter, Mrs Dixon, Mr Gardiner, Mr Gardner, Mr Summers, Mrs Craze, Mr Pringle, Mr Rees, Mr Hick, Mr Cheney, Mr Wilding, Mr Bell, Mr Monk, Mr Mann, Mr Jones, and Miss Kenny

Also attending

Mr Curtis (Town Clerk & RFO), Mr Piwecki (Deputy Town Clerk), Mr Rowley (Administrative Assistant to the Town Clerk), Inspector Meredith and 35 members of the public

131/17 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Dixon. No apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Edwards

It was proposed by Cllr Mr Monk, seconded by Cllr Mr Pringle and

RESOLVED unanimously to discuss Agenda items 9 (B) and 10 (D) after Agenda item 5.

132/17 **Dispensations & Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs Monk and Summers declared a discloseable pecuniary interest in Minute Ref: 140/17 due to being affiliated with Lusty Surf Life Saving Club. Cllr Mr Jones declared a discloseable pecuniary interest in Minute Ref: 140/17(C)(1) due to being affiliated with Newquay Youth

133/17 **Community Safety Reports**

A. Police Report

Inspector Meredith gave an update on the crime statistics of August and September compared to 2016. Boardmasters Festival caused a spike in crime and disorder during August however due to additional 50,000+ people visiting the town, Inspector Meredith felt this was relative with the influx of people. Inspector Meredith noted that public order offences had risen however this was due to last years figures being unusually low. Other stations had higher statistics than Newquay in 2016.

Questions from members and the public

- Q1. Is there anything significant behind the burglary-non dwelling statistic?
- A1. No, there is no significant crime wave. There can be quite a wide range when it comes to burglary, it can either be one inexpensive item or multiple items of high value.
- Q2. Is there any reason why shoplifting has decreased?
- A2. Shoplifting statistics increase and decrease month after month with no obvious reason. It could be that a regular shoplifter has been taken out of circulation for a couple of months.
- Q3. What are 'other offences'?

A3. This is mainly fraud and cyber crime.

At this time Inspector Meredith left the meeting 7:14pm

B. CCTV Report

Members noted the content of the CCTV Report. The Deputy Mayor reported that a visit to Tolvaddon had taken place and the Council were awaiting a quotation from Cornwall Council on how much it would cost to monitor Newquay from the main hub. However, the CCTV Manager and EDGP Committee are still strongly in support of maintaining the hub in Newquay and exploring adding more towns to the current system rather than diverting to Tolvaddon.

134/17 **Public Questions**

A number of representations were made in support of Wooden Waves Skatepark demolition and rebuild in concrete.

135/17 **Matters Referred**

A. That upto £155,000 is released from the Localism Earmarked Reserve for the Skatepark project subject to final designs

Members debated the subject at length. Some members argued that the Localism EMR was not appropriate for the project and that the Capital Earmarked Reserve should be put forwards as an alternative. The Town Clerk explained that the Localism EMR was set up in order to assist the Council in the devolution of assets and services. A counter argument was proposed that the Skatepark is not a devolved asset; it was only the land that was transferred across.

An amendment was proposed by Cllr Miss Kenny, Seconded by Cllr Mr Carter to take upto £155,000 from the Capital Projects EMR for the Skatepark project subject to designs.

3 members voted for 15 members voted against The amendment falls

It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Cllr Mr Monk and

RESOLVED to release upto £155,000 from the Localism 135/17(A)

Earmarked Reserve for the Skatepark project subject to final designs

Cllrs Mr Summers, Miss Kenny and Mr Carter abstained from the vote.

136/17 **Committee Minutes and Reports**

- **D.** Minutes of the Footpaths, Bridleways & Open Spaces Committee held on
- i. 20 September 2017
 - 1. To proceed with the Concrete Skatepark Project and to release £46,754 from the Skatepark Earmarked Reserve towards project costs

Cllr Monk gave a summary of the proposal from Footpaths, Bridleways and Open Spaces.

It was proposed by Cllr Mr Monk, seconded by Cllr Mr Cheney and

RESOLVED unanimously to release £46,754 from the Skatepark Earmarked Reserve towards project costs

137/17 Cornwall Council Issues and Reports

Members discussed the upcoming Boundary Review consultation. Members raised concerns over the proposed reduction in Cornwall Councillors to 87. Some members raised a counter argument that a reduction in Cornwall Councillors may generate savings given there will be less members who will be taking a salary.

There was a unanimous agreement that the review needed careful scrutiny to ensure the public are still well represented, particularly in the rural areas.

138/17 <u>Minutes</u>

138/17(i)

136/17(D)

i. 05 July 2017

It was proposed by the Mayor, Seconded by the Deputy Mayor and

RESOLVED unanimously that the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 05 July 2017 and had been amended and were correctly recorded and they were signed by the Mayor

ii. 30 August 2017

It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, Seconded by the Mayor and

RESOLVED unanimously that the Minutes of the Full
138/17(ii)
Council meeting held on 30 August 2017 and had been amended and were correctly recorded and they were signed by the Mayor

139/17 Matters Arising

Cllr Mann asked for an update on the Coast of Dreams signage project. Cllr Mrs Craze informed members there was a scheduled meeting with Newquay BID to discuss moving forward with the signage and agreeing final designs.

140/17 <u>Matters Referred</u>

b. To release £419.93 from the Sports EMR towards the Lusty Surf Life Saving Club Grant request

At this time Cllrs Monk and Summers declared a discloseable pecuniary interest in Minute Ref: 140/17 due to being affiliated with Lusty Surf Life Saving Club and left the meeting (8:09pm)

It was proposed by Cllr Miss Kenny, Seconded by the Deputy Mayor and

RESOLVED unanimously to release £419.93 from the 140/17(B)

Sports EMR towards the Lusty Surf Life Saving Club Grant request.

c. To receive and adopt the Training, Learning and Development Policy

At this time Cllrs Monk and Summers re-entered the meeting (8:11pm)

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Craze, Seconded by Cllr Mr Towill and

RESOLVED unanimously to adopt the Training, 140/17(C) Learning and Development Policy

d. To receive and adopt the Complaints Policy

It was proposed by the Mayor, Seconded by Cllr the Deputy Mayor and

140/17(D) RESOLVED unanimously to adopt Complaints Policy

141/17 <u>Committee Minutes and Reports</u>

- **141/17(A) A.** Minutes of the Planning & Licensing Committee held on
 - i. 26 June 2017
 - ii. 17 July 2017
 - iii. 07 August 2017
 - iv. 29 August 2017
 - v. 11 September 2017

It was Proposed by Cllr Mr Carter, seconded by Cllr Mr Mann and

RESOLVED unanimously to note the minutes of the meetings of the Planning & Licensing Committee held on; 26 June 2017. 17 July 2017, 07 August 2017, 29 August 2017 and 11 September 2017

- **141/17(B) B.** Minutes of the Tourism and Leisure Committee held on
 - i. 12 September 2017

It was Proposed by Cllr Mrs Craze, seconded by Cllr Mr Pringle and

RESOLVED unanimously to note the minutes of the meetings of the Tourism & Leisure Committee held on 12 September 2017

- **141/17(C) C.** Minutes of the Economic Development & General Purposes Committee held on
 - i. 14 September 2017

It was Proposed by Cllr Mr Cheney, seconded by Cllr Mr Towill and

RESOLVED unanimously to note the minutes of the meetings of the Economic Development & General Purposes Committee held on 14 September 2017

1. To release of up to £4,490 from the Youth Initiative EMR towards the running of the Youth Centre services with spend authority delegated to the Town Clerk, Chair and Vice-Chair subject to YPC providing further details.

Members discussed the proposal at length and agreed it was necessary to ensure the Youth Centre services were maintained until March 2018 however if funding was to continue, more scrutiny would be required on the administration of the centre and where finances are allocated.

At this time Cllr Mr Jones declared a discloseable pecuniary interest in Minute Ref: 140/17(C)(1) and left the meeting (8:30pm)

It was Proposed by Cllr Mr Cheney, seconded by Cllr Mr Towill and

140/17(C) (1) RESOLVED unanimously to release upto £4490 from the Youth Initiative EMR towards the running of the Youth Centre services with spend authority delegated to the Town Clerk, Chair and Vice-Chair subject to the YPC providing further details.

At this time Cllr Mr Jones re-entered the meeting (8:33pm)

2. To release £25,000, from the CCTV EMR, for the replacement costs of specified CCTV cameras

Members agreed there was a requirement that the key cameras in the Town are upgraded to the level where footage can be used as evidence as at the moment the camera quality is questionable.

It was Proposed by Cllr Mr Cheney, seconded by Cllr Mr Towill and

140/17(C)

(2)

RESOLVED unanimously to release £25,000, from the CCTV EMR, for the replacement costs of specified CCTV cameras.

140/17(D)

- D. Minutes of the Footpaths, Bridleways & Open Spaces Committee held on
 - i. 28 June 2017
 - ii. 20 September 2017

It was Proposed by Cllr Mr Monk, seconded by Cllr Mr Pringle and

RESOLVED unanimously to note the minutes of the meetings of the Footpaths, Bridleways and Open Spaces Committee held on; 28 June 2017 and 20 September 2017

140/17(E)

- E. Minutes of the F&P Committee held on
 - i. 26 June 2017

It was Proposed by Cllr Mrs North, seconded by Cllr Mr Cheney and

RESOLVED unanimously to note the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee held 26 June 2017

140/17(E) (i)

ii. 30 August 2017 (Extraordinary)

It was Proposed by Cllr Mr Hannan, seconded by Cllr Mrs Craze and

140/17(E) (ii) RESOLVED unanimously to note the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee held 30 August 2017

141/17 <u>Town Clerks Report</u>

The Town Clerk informed members that Grant Thornton still had not returned the External Audit paperwork and he would be issuing a written complaint.

Budget setting was now underway and the Town Clerk is drafting a A4 budget paper that can

be delivered to every home informing the public on the current budget and a survey on what the implications would be on the precept should other services be taken on e.g. Homeless Shelter, Youth Centre services.

The Open Spaces team is fully up and running. If Councillors or the public have any particular 'grot spots' the Town Clerk encouraged these to be reported so they can be dealt with wherever possible.

The Tourism & Leisure Committee have a marquee which has been purchased and useable for events as well as hiring out.

The Community Networks will be reviewed, with the potential of making them responsible for certain budgets. An example of which could be a budget responsible for improvements to the highways infrastructure.

142/17 Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor presented at the Rowing Club championships which unfortunately Newquay did not win this time. The Mayor also enjoyed an evening at Hendra holiday park put on by the Newquay Lions club for disadvantaged families. The Mayor would also be attending the South West in Bloom presentation evening.

143/17 <u>Financial Statements</u>

It was Proposed by the Cllr the Mayor seconded by Cllr the Deputy Mayor

RESOLVED unanimously accept the Financial Statement of NTC and TIC for August totalling £126,333.44 and authorise BACS Payments

144/17 <u>Newquay Town Council Issues</u>

Cllr Rees updated members on the illegal activity taking place at Trevean Green where unauthorised works have taken place. The Police are aware and are investigating.

Members discussed potential applications to the Awards for All application scheme. Members agreed any Committees wishing to apply should go through Quality Status and for that Committee to determine which applications, if any, should be progressed.

145/17 <u>Chairman's Other Business</u>

The Mayor informed members that the Full Council meeting in November has been cancelled due to a number of key staff and members being on Annual Leave. The meeting schedule would be resumed in December. Some members had an issue with the cancellation and felt the meeting should still proceed. The Town Clerk clarified a meeting could still be called in by two members if they felt it was necessary.

146/17 <u>Exempt Business</u>

That under section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.

It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by the Deputy Mayor and

RESOLVED unanimously to invoke Standing Order 10 A (XI) that in accordance with the Public Bodies

(Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following matters on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act by virtue of the paragraph specified and to allow Mr White to remain in the meeting.

(Please see Confidential Addendum 04.10.17/001)

147/17 <u>Date and time of the next meeting</u>

The next meeting would be held on Wednesday 06 December 2017 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Marcus Hill, Newquay.

The Chairman thanked those attending and the meeting closed at 8:58pm
Signed The Mayor Cllr Mrs North
Date