

Minutes of a Meeting of the **TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber, Drake Road, Tavistock on **TUESDAY** the **8th** day of **JUNE 2010** at **7.00 p.m.**

Present: Cllr D Whitcomb Mayor
Cllr Mrs S Bailey
Cllr Mrs A Johnson
Cllr R Pike
Cllr P Sanders D Mayor
Cllr H Smith
Cllr B Trew

In Attendance: Town Clerk
One member of the press

QUIET REFLECTION

Members prepared themselves for the meeting by a few moments of quiet reflection led by Reverend Michael Brierley of St Eustachius Church.

POLICE REPORT

Sgt Dave Anning was present and answered questions about the '25 open hours' consultation that he interpreted as meaning asking people to tell them during which particular 25 hours they wished to be able to contact police directly, rather than by phone or internet. He warned that changes in events management that meant the police would no longer be able to help with road closures. He was also questioned about the help police could give in enforcing the dog fouling by-laws.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

Devon County Councillor for Tavistock tabled the report attached to these minutes.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.

There were no questions.

062. APOLOGIES.

There were apologies for absence from Cllr D Best, Cllr Mrs M Govier, Cllr M Harper, Cllr Mrs J C Metcalf, Cllr Mrs D Sellis, Cllr J Sellis, Cllr E Sanders, Cllr E H Sherrell and Cllr A Tossell.

063. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Councillors were reminded that this item allowed the Chairman to receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest. If they became aware, during the course of a meeting of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item they must immediately disclose it. They may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is prejudicial. A personal interest is prejudicial if a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard it as so significant that is likely to prejudice the councillors' judgement of the public interest and it relates to a financial or regulatory matter.

064. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 27th APRIL 2010

The Mayor presented the minutes of the meeting. It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this meeting be adopted.

065. MATTERS ARISING.

There were no such matters.

066. MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 13th MAY 2010

The Mayor presented the minutes of the meeting. It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this meeting be adopted.

067. MATTERS ARISING.

There were no such matters.

068. MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 25th MAY 2010

The Mayor presented the minutes of the meeting. It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this meeting be adopted.

069. MATTERS ARISING.

There were no such matters.

070. PLANS COMMITTEE 27th APRIL 2010.

Cllr Pike presented the Minutes.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this meeting be adopted.

071. PLANS COMMITTEE 11th MAY 2010.

Cllr Mrs Bailey presented the Minutes.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this meeting be adopted.

072. PLANS COMMITTEE 26th MAY 2010.

Cllr Mrs Bailey presented the Minutes.

Concerning the report at Minute 018 it was **RESOLVED** to table the matter at the next Properties Committee meeting for debate. It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this meeting be adopted.

073. PROPERTIES COMMITTEE 1st JUNE 2010.

Cllr Mrs Bailey presented the Minutes.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this meeting as amended be adopted.

074. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE 1st JUNE 2010

Cllr Smith presented the Minutes.

a. Concerning Minute 038, Members asked that the wording be amended from 'cheap modern digital clock' to 'digital mechanism'.

b. Concerning Minute 046d(1), Cllr Trew found the accounts presented by the Chamber to be confusing. The audited accounts did not tally with the spreadsheet, or with what the Town Council had granted, and he proposed that the application be rejected. Members were concerned that town businesses came to the Town Council year after year for subsidies, and we could not 'bail them out' every year. Cllr Pike suggested that a working group meet with the Chamber of Commerce to discuss matters. Cllr Trew withdrew his proposal until more information was available from such a meeting. The Mayor felt that the Christmas lights were a good ambassador for the town, and supported such a meeting. The meeting **RESOLVED** that the following be deputed to meet with the Chamber of Commerce:

Cllr Pike
Cllr Trew
Cllr Smith
Cllr Mrs Johnson

c. Concerning Minute 046d(2), the above group would also discuss the BID grant application with the Chamber.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of this meeting be adopted.

075. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS AS MAY BE SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN MAYOR AND TO PASS SUCH RESOLUTIONS AS REQUIRED.

There were no such reports.

076. URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE MAYOR

a. Cllr Pike gave a verbal report on the Tavistock, Whitchurch and District Nursing Association Trust Fund, and that Mrs J Williams was now the Chairperson. The Trust was progressing well.

b. The Mayor wanted to arrange meetings for the Town Hall and Markets Sub Committee and the Staffing Sub Committee. Members would be polled for suitable dates.

077. SEAL.
RESOLVED that the seal be affixed to the various Deeds and Documents to be made or entered into for the carrying into effect the several decisions and matters approved.

Rising 7. 45 p.m.

Signed.....
Town Mayor

Date.....