

ILLOGAN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Devolution Committee held at The Council Office, Tolvaddon Energy Park on Wednesday 24th July 2013 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Ekinsmyth (Chairman), Bentley, Ford (not a member of this committee), Mrs Ferrett, Holmes, Pavey and Szoka

ALSO PRESENT: Ms S Willsher, Clerk and one member of the public

The Chairman explained the safety procedures.

DC13/07/11 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Miss Bowden and Richardson

DC13/07/12 MEMBERS TO DECLARE DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-REGISTERABLE INTERESTS (INCLUDING THE DETAILS THEREOF) IN RESPECT OF ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND ANY GIFTS OR HOSPITALITY OVER £25

There were no interests declared.

DC13/07/13 TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FROM MEMBERS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were applications from members for dispensations.

DC13/07/14 TO CONSIDER CO-OPTING CLLR MRS LOXTON ONTO THIS COMMITTEE

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Ferrett, seconded by Cllr Bentley and

DC13/07/14.2 RESOLVED: that Cllr Mrs Loxton is co-opted onto this Committee.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

DC13/07/15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments from the public.

DC13/07/16 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 10TH JULY 2013 AND THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THEM

It was proposed by Cllr Holmes, seconded by Cllr Pavey and

DC13/07/16.2 RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Devolution Committee meeting are received and approved and signed by the Chairman.

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On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

DC13/07/17 TO CONSIDER THE APSIRATIONS OF THIS COUNCIL FOR THE FUTURE OF ILLOGAN PARK

Members discussed:

- the resources and expertise required to manage Illogan Park;
- what Cornwall Council would do with the Park if Illogan Parish Council did not do anything;
- people being ashamed of the park; there being nothing at the park to attract members of the public;
- other councils that had completed similar projects;
- local need;
- costs of managing the park;
- possible sources of funding;
- the refurbishment of the whole park in 1999 and the deterioration due to budgets cuts

Further to discussion it was agreed that:

Illogan Parish Council would like a facility for Illogan to be proud of to potentially include:

- Football pitch
- Rugby pitch
- Improves changing facilities for the Rugby and Football Clubs
- Public conveniences
- Children's play area
- Seating
- Cricket pitch
- Parish Council office
- Parish Room
- Parking
- Improved access

It was also agreed that the Clerk would write to the Rugby Club and Football Club to ask for their views and opinions and to invite a representative to be a member of the Devolution Committee.

DC13/07/18 TO DISCUSS THE FINDINGS FROM THE SITE VISIT TO ILLOGAN PARK, COMPILE A LIST OF ACTIONS AND PRIORITISE THE ACTIONS

Members who attended the site made the following observations:

- The public conveniences and changing rooms were in a poor condition;

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- The park had been neglected;
- The formal gardens were currently a waste of space and would be high maintenance, would need regular trimming and weeding;
- There were stones missing from the Cornish hedge which were being spread around the park – it was agreed that the Clerk would contact Cornwall Council and report the damage to the hedge;
- There were some health and safety issues;
- The parking facilities were inadequate;
- The access was poor;
- The access road had pot holes;
- Space was not effectively utilised;
- There was a mound of chippings by the pedestrian entrance covered in dog waste – it was agreed that the Clerk would report this to Cornwall Council;
- The fencing between the Park and Railway Villas was minimal;
- There was barbed wire along one boundary hedge;
- There was concern that the public conveniences and changing rooms had mudic.

DC13/07/19 TO COMPILE A STATEMENT EXPLAINING WHY ILLOGAN PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO TAKE OVER THE MANAGEMENT OF ILLOGAN PARK

It was proposed by Cllr Szoka, seconded by Cllr Mrs Ferrett and

DC13/07/19.2 RESOLVED: that this item is deferred until the next meeting.

On a vote being taken on the matter there were 5 votes FOR and 1 vote AGAINST. Cllr Holmes voted against the resolution.

DC13/07/20 TO DISCUSS METHODS OF CONSULTATION AND AGREE FUTURE ACTIONS AND ANY ASSOCIATED EXPENDITURE

It was proposed by Cllr Holmes, seconded by Cllr Bentley and

DC13/07/20.2 RESOLVED: that the Clerk writes to the Rugby Club and Football Club to ask for their views and opinions and to invite a representative to be a member of the Devolution Committee.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

It was proposed by Cllr Ekinsmyth, seconded by Cllr Bentley and

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DC13/07/20.3 RESOLVED: that a survey/questionnaire is compiled and delivered with the Illogan Review; that a Business Response licence is purchased and envelopes printed and circulated for members of the public to send their responses back to the Council.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Ferrett, seconded by Cllr Szoka and

DC13/07/20.4 RESOLVED: that the Clerk and Cllrs Ekinsmyth, Pavey and Szoka compile the questionnaire with guidance from Mrs Chadwick and Luckwell and that it is circulated to members of the Devolution Committee for comments before it is printed.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

DC13/07/21 TO RECEIVE THE RESPONSES FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL TO DATE REGARDING THE QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS RAISED AT THE MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 10TH JULY 2013 AND AGREE ANY FUTURE ACTIONS

It was agreed that the Clerk would circulate the responses to all members by email and that the responses would be discussed at the next meeting of this committee.

DC13/07/22 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held on Monday 2nd September 2013 at 7pm in the Council Office.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

Signed: Chairman

Date: