

**MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY PENZANCE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING** held in Room 3.02, St John's Hall, Penzance on Monday 8 July 2019 at 7.00pm

**PRESENT**

Councillor N C Broadhurst (Town Mayor)  
P Young (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors D J Axford  
K M Baker  
R B Cliffe  
S M Cordel  
J H Dixon  
W Elliott  
J M How  
B Jackson  
J S Lambourn  
R A Mann  
C A C White

Also present: Hester Hunt (Town Clerk), Teresa Fogarty (Senior Administration Officer), 2 members of the public from Heamoor, Cllr Jim McKenna (Cornwall Council).

**32. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors, AL Bates, SJ Bosworth, TL Halliday, NG Pengelly, SJ Reed, NN Waller

Absent without apologies: Councillor N A Davis

**34. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Mann declared a non-disclosable, non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 7(a) Community Governance Review, in respect of references to Long Rock as he is the Acting Chair of Ludgvan Parish.

Cllrs Baker, Dixon and Jackson declared a non-disclosable, non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 7(a) Community Governance Review, in respect of references to Heamoor as they are the Town Council Ward Councillors for that area.

**35. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME**

No-one wished to speak.

**36. TO RESOLVE TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the press) have been excluded as publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential

nature of the business to be transacted **Public Bodies [Admission to Meetings] Act 1960**

There were no confidential items to consider.

**37. TO APPROVE WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**

No requests had been submitted.

**38. TO DEAL WITH BUSINESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED BY STATUTE TO BE DONE**

There were no matters to be dealt with.

**39. TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF WHICH PRIOR WRITTEN NOTICE HAD BEEN GIVEN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SO NO. 15**

None.

**40. REPORTS FOR DECISION**

(a) Community Governance Review – submission of response from Penzance Town Council

Members were reminded that Cornwall Council was in the process of carrying out a Community Governance Review for the whole of Cornwall.

Part of the review concerned parish boundaries, the number of seats and warding arrangements for local councils and their names. Town and parish councils were asked to submit their views and proposals by 17 July 2019.

A small working group comprised of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and a Councillor representative from each ward, met to discuss and formulate a proposal for Penzance Town Council. Members were now asked to consider the proposals put forward. The following queries were raised:

Heamoor area of Penzance Parish

- 2. The reported distance of less than one mile from the centre of Heamoor to Penzance Town Centre was queried; this was subsequently calculated at just over one mile.
- 3. Cllr Cordel requested that the reference to ‘...including some more affluent areas in Treneere’ be changed to ‘... some more affluent areas within Penzance East Ward’.
- 6. It was felt that it should be made clear to the residents of Heamoor that, as a parish council, they would have no more influence over planning decisions that the Town Council currently does; town and parish councils were consultees only, not decision-makers (this was the remit of Cornwall Council). It was also suggested that mention of the Site Allocations Plan in respect of Heamoor should be made in the submission document.

Gulval ward – Penzance parish

- The number of residents in Longrock was queried and Cllr Elliott reported that this was approximately 500.
- Cllr Mann reported that the general public opinion in Longrock was that residents would be opposed to joining Penzance Parish; it was noted that a public survey would be carried out in all areas.

Cllr Lambourn announced that Newlyn, Mousehole and Paul would be registering a submission with a request to move away from Penzance Parish.

It was noted that, on the last page of the submission document, the name Madron had been inserted instead of Marazion; this would be corrected on the submitted document.

The Mayor informed members that parishes had been asked to bear in mind the requirement for parish boundaries to be coterminous with Cornwall Council boundaries wherever possible.

Cllr Cliffe proposed and Cllr Cordel seconded that the recommendation be amended to read that the Town Council would submit the document to Cornwall Council by Wednesday 10 July. This was put to the vote, the result of which was:

8 for; 3 against; 2 abstentions. The motion was duly passed.

It was therefore

**RESOLVED** – that the Town Council approve the content of the submission document, with the amendments noted above, and submit the document to Cornwall Council by 10 July 2019. The duly amended submission document now appears as Appendix A to these minutes.

(Proposed: Cllr Cordel; seconded: Cllr Elliott). 11 for; 2 abstentions.

The meeting closed at 7.38pm

Town Mayor  
15 July 2019