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MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
held on TUESDAY 20 JULY 2021 at 7.00pm in the Town Hall

PRESENT Cllrs, Penhale (Town Mayor), Bailey (Deputy Mayor), Bullen, Conway, Gilbert, Gordon, Green, Harris, Heaton, Nancarrow, Nolan, O'Brien, Soanes, and Tremain
In attendance: Christopher Drake (Town Clerk)
Mayors Chaplain Reverend David Miller

Prayers were read by Reverend David Miller

2107/24 Apologies for absence
Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Hogan and Young

2107/25 Declarations of Interest
There were no declarations of interest

2107/26 Public Representation Session
There were no public representations

2107/27 To confirm and sign the Minutes of the last meeting, previously circulated
It was **resolved** to confirm and sign the minutes, previously circulated:
(i) Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Monday 14 June 2021 at 7.00pm

2107/28 To receive and adopt the minutes of committees and sub-committees, previously circulated
It was **resolved** to receive and adopt the minutes of the following committees and sub-committees:
(i) Planning and Economic Development held on Thursday 17 June 2021 at 7.00pm
(ii) Planning and Economic Development held on Wednesday 30 June 2021 at 7.00pm
(iii) Library, Arts, Business and Information held on Tuesday 6 July at 5.15pm

2107/29 Reports from Cornwall Councillors
Cornwall Cllr Conway said that the Community Chest Grant Fund was now available, that he had received a petition regarding the issues of parking and HGV movements in Castle Street, that the issue of housing shortages for local people was high on the agenda for Cornwall Council to tackle and that the Community Network Panel was considering highways spend requests. Cllr Conway also raised the issue of a press release being made by Cornwall Council without the consultation of the Town Council

Cllr Harris stated that the parapets for the bridge across the A30 had not been installed to date. Cllr Conway advised that funds were available for the project and confirmation of a start date for works was awaited from Highways England

Cllr O'Brien stated that in regards to Castle Street, the local police be requested to enforce the highways regulations. **Cllr Tremain** stated that the HGV issue needed addressing

Cllr Bailey stated that the pavement surfaces on the bridge across the A30 were in a poor state of repair

Cllr Soanes stated that poor surfaces caused difficulties for those using disability scooters

Cllr Gordon stated that grass cutting along the A30 was required. Cllr Conway advised that works were scheduled

2107/30 Reports and Questions from Town Councillors

Cllr Harris advised that tree works were required as branches were overhanging the footpath on the bridge across the A30

Cllr Gordon advised that events for the Platinum Jubilee were being planned for Coronation Park

Cllr Heaton spoke about the Police Crime Development Plan and advised that advocates had been asked to raise issues. To date these had included matters of domestic abuse, a greater police presence and the re-invigoration of Neighbourhood Watch areas. Cllr Heaton also advised that Plastic Free Launceston continued working with the West Country Rivers Trust and works to meet with more residents in the school Summer holidays were planned and also stated that more traffic wardens and patrols were needed in the town

Cllr Bailey gave an update regarding the Launceston PPG and advised issues regarding patients being able to get in contact with the medical centre had been raised with the Centre Manager. Cllr Bailey also gave an update regarding the Chamber of Commerce and advised that Christmas Late Night Shopping events were planned for 10 and 17 December

2107/31 Report from the Town Mayor

The Mayor advised that he had welcomed Mr Gary Turner to Launceston on his charity walk

2107/32 Presentation Consideration

The presentation from Mr Howard had been adjourned and so this agenda item could not be discussed

2107/33 Lawrence House Museum

There were no minutes received for consideration

2107/34 Proposal to Agree a Chairmanship Group

Members considered Report 13/21 concerning the above (previously circulated)
It was **resolved** that a Chairmanship Group not be considered

2107/35 Job Evaluation

It was **resolved** to undertake an evaluation of all paid posts at Launceston Town Council and for the Staffing Committee to agree the organisations that will be invited to tender for the required works

2107/36 Progress and Information

Members considered Report 14/21 concerning the above (previously circulated)
It was **resolved** that;

- i) No current appointment be made for the Outside Body Membership to the Little Red Bus
- ii) the proposal for a Council visioning day be noted
- iii) a meeting of the Staffing Committee be agreed

2107/37 Correspondence and matters to note

It was **resolved** to

- i) note the venue usage

2107/38 Urgent Items

There were no items for consideration

2107/39 Exclusion of members of the press and public

It was resolved that under s1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item as it involved the likely disclosure of confidential information.

2107/40 Launceston Library Hub

The Clerk provided a verbal update in regards to the proposed library hub

Date of the next meeting of the Council

The next Full Council meeting will be on Tuesday 21 September 2021 at 7pm

The meeting ended at 8.40pm

Signed Date