

NEWQUAY TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTE
REF:**

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 01 September 2021 at 7pm held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Marcus Hill, Newquay.

ACTION:

Present

Cllrs L Gardner (Mayor) M North (Deputy Mayor), S Hick, O Monk, N Morris, A Hannan, D Cheney, M Formosa, K Towill, M Johns, J Kenny, A Goudge, K Larsen, D Terry, D Creek, J Bell

Also attending

Mr A Curtis (Town Clerk & Chief Executive), Mrs L Spark (Management Support Officer), Inspector Blackford and 5 members of the public.

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Apologies

Apologies were received by Cllrs F Williamson, A Rayner and T Bradshaw

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Interests

None.

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Minutes

**136/21
(A)**

A. 04 August 2021

It was proposed by Cllr L Gardner, seconded by Cllr M Johns and

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(A)(1)**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 04 August 2021 are a true reflection of the meeting and had been adopted.

Cllrs J Bell and D Creek abstained.

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Matters Arising

122/21 – Cllr J Kenny asked for an update on Atlantic Road Car Park. The Town Clerk informed members that subject to the Devolution Working Party having no objections to the latest email that they have received, we will be starting the formal process of signing as both parties are in agreement.

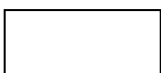
125/21 – Cllr K Larsen informed members that she has had it confirmed that surfboards are not allowed on trains coming into Newquay, Cllr K Larsen would like to work with Councillors to engage with train companies. Cllr K Towill has offered to work with Cllr K Larsen on this.

**Cllr K
Towill/ Cllr
K Larsen**

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Community Safety Reports

Inspector Blackford provided members with a verbal overview of his written report.



Q1. Cllr S Hick asked about the ASB Summer patrols and stated that the public would like to see Police Officers or PSCO's on patrol rather than bouncers on the beach.

A1. Inspector Blackford informed members that he would love to have more Police Officers, we are increasing the size of the response section by the end of this year. We are also looking at increasing other teams which include PCSO's.

Q2. Cllr K Larsen asked to what extent convictions are happening around sexual offences as this is a national issue.

A2. Inspector Blackford is happy to meet to discuss.

Q3. Cllr O Monk asked about jet skis on the Gannel and wondered if there is any legal difference between a jet ski on the Gannel to a jet ski on the Sea?

A3. The Police are aware of the issue, as it is a tidal estuary there is no rules against this. There is a meeting being set up to put a solution in place for next year.

Q4. Cllr O Monk asked if a picture is taken of the person on the jet ski and a picture of the car then a fixed penalty notice can be issued?

A4. There is no law or bylaw in place so a fixed penalty notice can not be issued.

Q5. Cllr M Johns wanted to bring to the Inspectors attention that there are rough sleepers outside Argos

A5. Inspector Blackford informed members that help has been offered to the individuals, but they have not accepted it.

Q6. The Mayor asked a question about pedlars and who checks if they have the correct licence.

A6. Inspector Blackford informed members that the Police sign off the licences, so they can check and asked for Cllrs to email any that they do not think have the correct licence.

Q7. Cornwall Cllr Fitter asked if they were advised on the change of on the transport management plan for Boardmasters on the 16th July.

A7. Inspector Blackford informed Cllr Fitter that that would have gone to the Silver Commander not himself.

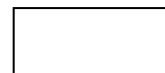
Inspector Blackford exited the meeting at 19.20

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Open Session for Electors of Newquay – Verbal/Written Questions (15 minutes)

Q1. I have found out that the Town Crier works full time. How can he be working for the Council as the Town Crier.

A1. The Mayor informed the member of the public that the Town Crier is a voluntary position that is not a full-time position, he gets a honorarium to cover his time out from work to take part in the engagements. The Honorarium that he gets would not



be anywhere near minimum wage for the time that he does. Like Town Councillors we all need another job to earn a living.

Q2. I just don't get how you can be paid to do a job and not promote anything. He is not doing his duty.

A2. Cllr M Johns asked the member of public to attend the Community & Tourism Committee on 14 September as this Committee manages the Town Crier.

Q3. I want to know about the Shelter at Trenance, have you put pressure on Cornwall Council to clean it up.

A3. Cllr A Hannan informed members that he has been down to the Shelter and it was clean, but thinks it could do with being refurbished. Cllr O Monk will work with Cornwall Council to set the fund aside to look at this Shelter.

**Cllr O
Monk**

140/21

Open Session for Cornwall Councillors verbal, written or tabled reports

Cornwall Councillor J Fitter informed members that he has submitted a report to the Cornwall Council Planning Officer about Boardmasters to ensure no repetition of the same kind next year and the breaches to their licence. A Police officer has been arranged to go to the Blue School to ensure the new traffic calming measures that have been introduced will be respected.

Cllr S Hick invited Cllr Fitter to the Planning Committee meeting in a fortnights time as they will be discussing correspondence from Treloy campsite.

Cllr S Hick

Cornwall Councillor O Monk informed members that he will be looking into the Shelter at Trenance Gardens, he is glad to report that the traveller issue seems to have subsided, he is looking at the sites that have been used this year and looking at ways to make these areas harder to access for next year. The Boating lake fountain has stopped, and this has been reported. Receiving phone calls about verges, have now reported them to Cornwall Council.

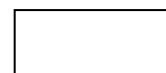
Cllr K Larsen asked where the traveller sites are within Cornwall, Cllr O Monk informed members that there are two within Cornwall. Cornwall Council send a Welfare Officer to visit any travellers when they receive reports that they are in the area. There is a benchmark of 61 complaints to enact a section 62 notice.

Cllr J Kenny asked about the back to nature survey. Cllr O Monk informed members that the consultation at Mayfield was well attended and are now working towards a scheme.

Cllr A Goudge informed members that he is receiving complaints about the Verges in his area, if it is now policy to keep the verges long then residents need to know. Cllr K Towill informed members that he is working on a balance and will be looking into this. The Mayor informed members of the important use of the report it function on Cornwall Council website.

**Cllr K
Towill**

Cornwall Councillor K Towill informed members that he is pleased to see the new keep clear signs at Nansledan school, there has been an experimental traffic order out in place from today. There has been some cutting and maintenance around the picnic area at Porth Beach and also around the railway line and shelter at Trencreek.



Cllr K Larsen asked if the cutting at Porth Beach is related to the reports of the water pollution? Cllr K Towill highly doubts that it is connected but will look into it.

**Cllr K
Towill**

Cornwall Councillor L Gardner spoke to members about the Fistral Bay Hotel, the contractors did ask for a relaxation on timings which Cornwall Council declined due to the number of complaints. Enforcement will be doing random checks on this development. Complaints have also been received from residents of Trevean Way as the open spaces have not been cut or managed, there is a covenant covering this area and the Cllr L Gardner is working to get these managed properly. Complaints have been received about parking at Little Fistral, currently working on getting the parking bays relined and double yellow lines painted. Cllr L Gardner also raise speeding on the Gannel by jet ski users, they currently have as much right to be on the Gannel as other users as there are no laws or bylaws in place at the moment. A meeting of all parties including Duchy, Cornwall Council, Newquay Town Council, Harbour Master will be called to discuss.

Cllr J Kenny suggested getting the Harbour on board with it and having the same rules that in place as the Truro River.

Cllr J Fitter exited the meeting at 20.02

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Correspondence

**141/21
(A)**

A. Letter from The Royal British Legion Newquay Branch

Cllrs L Gardner, M Johns, A Goudge, D Cheney and A Hannan declared a registerable interest and left the room.

Members discussed

It was proposed by Cllr S Hick, seconded by Cllr N Morris and

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(A)(1)**

RESOLVED unanimously to fully support Mr Knowlson with the request made and enquire if any other support may be required subject to officer resource availability and whether volunteers can help.

TC&CE

Cllrs L Gardner, M Johns, A Goudge, D Cheney and A Hannan returned to the room.

142/21

Town Clerk and Chief Executive's Report

The Town Clerk gave members a verbal overview of the written report that was included in members packs. Members were informed that since the report was written, two Freedom of Information requests have been received.

Cllr S Hick noted that recruitment is an issue at the moment, The Town Clerk informed members that we are trying to be more creative in our adverts and wording.

Cllr K Larsen thanked the Killacourt Working Party for the recycle bins on the Killacourt and would like to see a report on how much gets recycled.

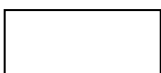
**Killacourt
WP**

Cllr O Monk asked if recycle bins could be rolled out to the Skatepark.

**Skatepark
WP**

143/21

Mayor's Announcements



The Mayor gave members an overview of his recent and upcoming engagements, welcomed the new Councillors and informed members that he has accepted Martin Bucks resignation as a Councillor.

Cllr K Larsen asked if meetings can be online and if staff could work from home whilst Newquay has high covid rates. The Mayor informed members that home working is under constant review by the HR Committee, and they are currently following government advice. The National legislation that allows online voting has now lapsed so Council and Committee meetings must now happen face to face.

144/21

Financial Statements

It was proposed by Cllr J Kenny, Seconded by Cllr D Cheney and

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(1)

RESOLVED to authorise the payments list totalling £102,601.52

**Note to
RFO**

Cllrs D Creek & K Larsen abstained.

Committee Minutes and Reports

145/21

A. Minutes of the Human Resources Sub-Committee held on 03 August 2021

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(A)

It was proposed by Cllr K Towill, seconded by Cllr A Hannan and

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(A)(1)

RESOLVED to note the minutes of the Human Resources Sub-Committee held on 03 August 2021

Cllrs D Creek & K Larsen abstained

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(B)

B. Minutes of the Planning & Licensing Committee held on;

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(B)(i)(ii)(iii)

- i. 21 July 2021
- ii. 03 August 2021
- iii. 18 August 2021

It was proposed by Cllr S Hick, seconded by Cllr N Morris and

145/21
(B)(i)(ii)(iii)

RESOLVED to note the minutes of the Planning & Licensing Committee held on 06 July, 03 & 18 August 2021

Cllrs D Creek & K Larsen abstained

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Newquay Town Council Issues

146/21
(A)

A. Review of Emergency Powers

It was proposed by Cllr A Hannan, seconded by J Kenny and

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(A)(1)

RESOLVED to keep the emergency powers in and review next month at the Full Council Meeting.

TC&CE

Cllrs D Creek & K Larsen abstained

B. Selection WP Recommendations

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(B)

Cllr K Larsen expressed that her experience is most suited to the Environment & Facilities Committee.

Members discussed

It was proposed by Cllr M North, seconded by Cllr K Towill and

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(B)(1)

RESOLVED to support the recommendations as set out by the Working Party for Cllrs M Formosa, D Terry & D Creek to sit on the Environment & Facilities Committee and Cllrs F Williamson & K Larsen to sit on the Planning Licensing Committee.

TC&CE

Cllr N Morris abstained

Cllr J Kenny asked if the Tour of Britain can be advertised through all social media channels.

COMMS
Offier

Cllr A Hannan informed members that Visit Newquay sponsored Land of Distinction's show garden at the BBC Gardeners World event at Birmingham NEC. The show garden won gold and was featured on the BBC programme on Friday night. Cllr A Hannan wanted his thanks on record to Laura for attending the three-day event to promote Newquay.

Cllr S Hick asked if the use of acronyms on the agendas can be stopped so members of the public and new Cllrs can understand the Committee names.

TC&CE

Cllr K Larsen asked if we the Council can work with local residents to combat litter on Fistral Beach, Cllr J Kenny will put Cllr K Larsen in touch with Newquay Clean as this is the correct forum.

Cllr J
Kenny

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Chairman's Other Business

None.

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Date and time of the next meeting

The next Full Council meeting will take place on 06 October 2021 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Marcus Hill. The Chairman thanked those attending and the meeting closed at 21.12pm

Signed..... The Mayor Cllr L Gardner

Date.....

