



# Wadebridge Town Council

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## Minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 14 March 2017 at 7pm in the Board Room, Wadebridge Town Hall

**Present:** Cllrs; D Bassett, C Buchanan, E Gill, N Hawken, H Hyland, A Jones, M Kendall, J Leach, A Pennington, A Richardson, P Starling, T Rush & P Tofi. **Public Present:** Steve Howell.

**In Attendance:** Anne Minnis (Town Clerk) & Beverley Collins (Minutes).

**Housekeeping** – The Mayor advised of evacuation routes in case of an emergency (there were no hazards to note) and reminded all those present of the following:

- That the meeting may be filmed or recorded.
- Members and members of the public to turn mobile phones to silent.
- Should a Member or member of the public wish to film or photograph the meeting please sit in the 'Film/Photograph Area'.
- Members of the public, children or vulnerable persons who do not wish to be filmed or photographed please sit in the 'No Film/Photograph Area'.

**335/17 Apologies** – None.

**336/17 Declarations of Interest** –

a) **Pecuniary Interests** (*To declare those interests which have been declared on your Register of Interests relevant to the Agenda of the meeting. Whenever the item is being discussed, including public participation, Councillors must leave the room and not take part in the discussion and decision*) – None.

b) **Non Registerable Interests** (*To declare non registerable interests at the start of the meeting or whenever the interest becomes apparent. When the item is being discussed, including public participation, Councillors must leave the meeting and not take part in the discussion or decision*) – None.

c) **Dispensations** – None.

**337/17 Minutes of Last Meetings** – Draft Minutes were tabled and Members were allowed time to consider the content.

*The Minutes of the meeting held on the 28 February 2017 were **RESOLVED** to be a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Mayor.*

Cllr Jones raised a point of order in relation to the voting procedure.

**338/17 Public Participation** –

- **Members of the Public** – None.
- **Reports from Cornwall Councillors** – Apologies were received from Cllrs Knightley & McHugh.

**7.09pm, Steve Howell left the meeting.**

**339/17 Confidential matters** – It was **RESOLVED** to suspend Standing Order 1.c., so that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business because of the confidential personnel nature of the business to be transacted - Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

A query was raised as to whether the nature of the business was personnel or personal. The Town Clerk confirmed personnel as aspects related to staff and councillors.

**Neighbourhood Plan** - the following points were discussed at length and action agreed as outlined.

- i. **Further information and the current status of the draft plan** –
  - *Members requested that the Steering Committee consider and respond to a query raised in relation to the data protection protocol relevant to the publication of information obtained at the recent informal public consultation.*
  - *Agenda for next Full Council to include Wadebridge Town Council to consider options and quotations to obtain an independent traffic survey of the town.*

- ii. **The Town Council's approach to both internal and external communications** – During debate of this item Cllr Jones advised Members that he felt he had a conflict of interest and that he would prefer to not take part in the discussion.

**9.09pm, Cllr Jones left the meeting.**

- *Members requested that the Town Clerk obtain details of the correct route and procedure in order that the Town Council respond to recent communications in a proper manner. Item to be included on next Full Council agenda.*
- *It was **RESOLVED** to re-instate Standing Order 1.c.*

**340/17 To note dates of the next Wadebridge Town Council meetings**

- **Full Council** – Wednesday 22 March 2017 – Pavilion to be confirmed.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

**Signed as a True and Accurate Account :**

..... **Chair :** ..... **Date:**