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**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND
A MEETING OF TRURO CITY COUNCIL
TO BE HELD AT 7.00 pm on 25 MARCH 2019**

in the Large Community Room (second floor) at Truro Public Library (please enter by side door of library)

for the transaction of the under-mentioned business:-

- 1 **Prayers**
Prior to the formal business of the Council, the Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Jeremy Putnam, to say prayers.
- 2 **Presentation – Mr Mark Killingback, Harbour Master, The Port of Truro**
Mr Mark Killinback, Harbour Master, The Port of Truro, to give an update on the work of the Port of Truro.
- 3 **Disclosure or Declarations of Interest**
Councillors will be asked to make disclosures or declarations of interest in respect of items on this agenda.
- 4 **Open Session for Cornwall Councillors verbal, written or tabled reports (15 minutes)**
This is an opportunity to discuss Cornwall Council issues relevant to the Council. If there are any matters that require a Council decision, please notify the Town Clerk four working days before the meeting.
- 5 **Open Session for Electors of Truro – Verbal Questions (15 minutes)**
This is an opportunity for electors to raise issues with the Council. The Council is unable to make any resolutions at this meeting on any issues raised.
- 6 **To receive apologies for absence**
- 7 **To confirm the Minutes of Council held 25 February 2019 pages 189 - 195 (Minute Nos: 345 - 356)**
- 8 **To receive Communications from the Mayor** *(Appendix on white)*
- 9 **To receive information and/or determine action as appropriate in the following report:**

MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD 7 MARCH 2019

Page Nos: 196 - 198, (Minute nos: 357 – 362)

(Appendix on green)

1.1 Minute No:- 313 – Planning Consultation

(a) Schedule 1

RESOLVED that the recommendations contained within Schedule 1, as proposed by Councillor Vella (Chairman), be adopted by the Planning Committee

(b) Schedule 2

RESOLVED that Cornwall Council be informed of the recommendations as voted upon by Truro City Council's Planning Committee.

MEETING OF THE PARKS AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE (ESTIMATES) HELD 11 MARCH 2019

Page Nos: 199- 202, (Minute nos: 365 – 374)

(Appendix on pink)

1.1 Minute No:- 366 – Tremorvah Playimng Field

Use by Dogs

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Eathorne-Gibbons (Chairman)

RECOMMENDED that the recommendations contained within Schedule 1, as proposed by Councillor Vella (Chairman), be adopted by the Planning Committee

1.2 Minute No:- 367 – Victoria and Waterfall Gardens

Use by Dogs

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Eathorne-Gibbons (Chairman)

RESOLVED that the item below, due to the date of the event being 23 March 2019. Be considered as a Matter of Urgency.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Eathorne-Gibbons (Chairman)

RESOLVED that permission be granted for the use of Waterfall Gardens as a gathering point from 12:00 noon to start a march regarding the EU/People's vote, subject to the usual terms and conditions.

1.3 Minute No:- 369 – Idless Nursery

Project Update

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Eathorne-Gibbons (Chairman)

RECOMMENDED that the Parks and Amenities Manager, the Compliance Officer and everyone involved in the work of the new Idless Nursery project be thanked for their hard work.

1.4 Minute No:- 371 – Parks and Amenities Manager's Report

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Eathorne-Gibbons (Chairman)

RECOMMENDED that very sincere thanks be given to all the staff involved in the work to support the Council's involvement in the RHS South West in Bloom competition.

MEETING OF THE GOVERNANCE REVIEW WORKING GROUP HELD 18 MARCH 2019.

(Tabled)

MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD 18 MARCH 2019

(Tabled)

10 **Town Clerk's Report**

(Appendix on white)

11 **To receive Correspondence**

12 **Truro/Roseland Community Network Panel (F20)**
Councillor Wells to report

- 13 **To receive verbal or written reports of meetings or conferences attended by members**
If members wish the Council to pass resolutions based on their reports, the reports must be in writing and submitted to the Town Clerk at least four clear working days prior to the meeting.
- 14 **To authorise the sealing of documents to give effect to any Resolutions passed by the Council at this meeting**

DATED this Twentieth Day of March, Two Thousand and Nineteen



TOWN CLERK

MAYOR'S REPORT FOR MARCH 2019

The highlight of the month has to be St Piran's Day. The Truro march was, according to many present, the biggest ever. There were certainly a lot of people gathered in Waterfall Gardens for the beginning of the parade from there to High Cross, including several school parties. The parade was led by the town Crier and attended by the Grand Bard, the Bishop of Truro, the Chair of Cornwall Council, the Lord Lieutenant and many other people suitable clad for the occasion. Sadly, the rain started as soon as the parade started and continued unabated for the whole time, consequently we are all wet and cold by the time it came for pasty time but it did not dim enthusiasm, especially from the children, some of whom performed a song for us after the speeches. Also, to entertain was the Truro Male Voice choir with a rousing rendition of Trelawney. Well done to Cllr Bert Bisscoe for his organisation and hosting of the event and to Taren for her assistance.



The anti-social behaviour situation has, thankfully, resolved at Moorfield Car Park. The homeless people who had been sheltering there have received accommodation and support and, thus, the street drinkers who had been hanging out with them have moved on and our compliance officer has re-opened the toilets and they have been deep cleansed by BIFFA. At the Truro Safe meeting we had a presentation from the Rough Sleeping Lead for Cornwall Council who outlined the Rough Sleeping Strategy and the STAR (Short Term Resettlement) project - showing the council's real commitment to ending rough sleeping and helping vulnerable people on the streets. On another very positive note there will be a qualified mental health nurse in post from May to help deal with the very real issues attendant upon homelessness.

I chaired the AGM of the Truro Boppard Twinning Association and am pleased to report that Cllr Roden remains the chair. The association has fewer members than previously and is striving to think of activities that might boost membership. Visits to Boppard have become more problematic as flights to German regional airports are cut from our own local airports.

We are due to have our Social Prescribing tea party on 20th March, which I will report back on at the council meeting.

The Mayor Elect, Cllr Webb and I attended the conference on Climate Change and Neighbourhood Planning at the Tremough campus and have now formed a working group to formulate a strategy for Carbon reduction in the Neighbourhood plan. I have contacted both the Cornwall Sustainable Building Trust and Cornwall Energy Plus, both of whom are happy to discuss this with us. If anyone else would like to meet with these organisations please let me know. We will probably meet with the sustainable building trust at their hub at the Eden Project and I think it will be an interesting experience.

I also attended a meeting, organised by Sarah Newton of town and parish mayors and chairs in her constituency with the housing minister to discuss Neighbourhood plans. One hopeful thing I brought away was that we can influence design and should not be accepting boxes 'made of ticky tacky that all look just the same', but should be

demanding vernacular design and materials. Sarah also complimented the City council on our plan and said that the Town Clerk had been particularly helpful to other councils in sharing our experience.

The Cornwall Urban Buzz project is now drawing to a close and we have gained much in the way of plants and being paid for labour. We are now forging ahead with Wild Truro, which supports our In Bloom theme for the year. We will have a presence at Children's Day on Lemon Quay.



Finally I attended the opening of the Cornwall Music Festival which is a great event for bringing musicians of all ages and genres together. I shall attending the gala concert on Saturday.

Town Clerks Report

Council 25th March 2019

Financial Position 2018-19

I reported the current year financial position to the end of January to the Finance & General Purposes committee. In summary we are £11k underspent in the year to date measured against the revised estimates agreed in January. I am currently expecting a year end position close to the revised estimate.

Truro Library

I reported on progress to the Finance committee. All parties continue to work towards a transfer date of the 1st June.

Hall for Cornwall Development

The Hall for Cornwall works continues, and councillors are receiving a monthly update from the Hall for Cornwall. We continue to await the price for the external works from the contractor. This remains a risk to the City Council but I have agreed with Cornwall Council a payment in 2020-21 of any balance remaining after our fund is exhausted. I am not anticipating the need to increase the Precept as a result of these works.

Neighbourhood Plan

A well-attended information day was facilitated by Cornwall Council. Cornwall Council has also allocated sufficient resources to facilitate rapid progress involving a weekly meeting to which all Councillors are invited. These commence on the 27th March.

St Clement Street Day Centre

Governance documents are currently being drafted which will need the approval of the trustee organisations, including the City Council. I have indicated to Cornwall Council our interest in the devolving of the building.

Malabar Community Centre

Councillors will recall that Cornwall Council offered a piece of land in the area adjacent to the school to the City Council on the condition that the land was made available to the residents association to construct a community building. The City Council accepted this offer and has further agreed to provide a grant to the residents association to undertake pre-planning and funding work. Recent discussions have revolved around the use that Cornwall Council's family services will make of the building and with that issue solved we look for progress towards the planning and grant funding applications being made.

Roger Gazzard
Town Clerk

**MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD THURSDAY 7 MARCH 2019
at 7.00 pm**

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs Carlyon, Ellis, Mrs Nolan, Smith, Mrs Swain, Vella
(Chairman) Webb and Wells.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were reported from Councillors Nolan, Ms Southcombe,
Tamblyn and Mrs Tudor

Also in attendance: Mr Peter Burton, Member of the Electorate

357 DISCLOSURES OR DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures or declarations of interest.

358 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held 7 February 2019, having been before Council on 25
February 2018, were signed as a correct record.

359 PLANNING CONSULTATION

(a) Schedule 1

Further to all Councillors of Truro City Council being given the opportunity to submit
comments to applications in their Ward (by an agreed deadline), and for Members of
the Planning Committee to comment on this Schedule prior to publication of the
agenda for this meeting, it was proposed by Councillor Vella (Chairman) that it be
unanimously:

RESOLVED that the recommendations contained within Schedule 1,
as proposed by the Chairman, be adopted by the Planning
Committee.

(b) Schedule 2

The Committee considered plans submitted in accordance with the planning
consultation procedure, details of which are attached (Schedule 2), and, that it be

RESOLVED that Cornwall Council be informed of the following
recommendations as voted upon by Truro City Council's Planning
Committee: -

(i) Lemon Quay, Back Quay (1)
(PA19/00255)

Councillor Mrs Carlyon joined the meeting at 7:14pm.

Mr Burton spoke against the application for three minutes, according to procedural
guidance.

Unanimous refusal recommended on the grounds that the screen would have a
serious detrimental effect on the Conservation Area, regardless of its temporary
nature, and on the setting of an important Grade II* Listed Building.

Members were also concerned about the screen's potential distraction to members of
the public next to a busy road and felt that any temporary screen would be better
placed on the temporary huts (which would ensure its removal upon completion of
the works at the Hall for Cornwall).

The Chairman questioned the validity of the application as the application form lists Truro City Council as the owners of the land (item 10), which is not correct; Truro City Council manages Lemon Quay, but Cornwall Council is the owner.

Proposer: Councillor Vella (Chairman)

(ii) **47 Treworder Road (2)**
(PA19/00874)

Unanimous refusal recommended for the construction of single-storey rear extension, dormer extension and creation of an additional parking space on the grounds of overdevelopment, an unsympathetic and inappropriate design that would be detrimental to the character of that part of the estate, and the proposal being unneighbourly.

Proposer: Councillor Ellis
Secunder: Councillor Webb

Mr Burton (member of the public) left the meeting at 7:35pm.

(iii) **Land at Merrick Avenue (3)**
(PA19/01024)

Unanimous refusal recommended for the works to remove the T1 Sycamore tree covered by a Tree Preservation Order. Members agreed with the Tree Officer's comment that there is no justification for the felling of the tree, and commented the tree makes a significant contribution to the area.

Proposer: Councillor Ellis
Secunder: Councillor Mrs Carlyon

(iv) **Higher Newham Farm (4)**
(PA19/01094)

Unanimous refusal for the Reserved Matters application on the grounds of Members' previous comments of strong objections to the scale of the proposal, concern over the sewage and foul water drainage, and issues with the infrastructure and the highway access.

Members agreed that that a new application from the new developer would be preferable as the new scheme was significantly different to the original, which would also change the profile of the population who would reside on the development and therefore the associated required amenities. Members felt that as the new proposal omitted significant elements that the original proposal contained (e.g. community farm etc.), it was an unfair comparison. This was compounded by the developer's comments at the public consultation meetings that this version of the proposal would not be built and existed purely to keep permissions "live".

Proposer: Councillor Wells
Secunder: Councillor Mrs Carlyon

360 LANGARTH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

Further to Minute 315 (07.02.19) of Council, Councillor Smith (Mayor Elect) explained to Members that the first meeting of the Stakeholder Group, which had been formed thanks to Councillor Mrs. Tudor's amendment to a recommendation at Cornwall Council, had mostly been concerned with setting the parameters and remit of the group. Adam Burchill, who attended the meeting, had informed the group that

Cornwall Council was committed to referring to local opinion and the Stakeholder Group's contributions.

Councillor Vella (the Chairman) commented that the next meeting had been deferred from 12 March to 26 March 2019, and he was awaiting confirmation of the time and location.

361 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Councillor Vella (Chairman) commented he was sad to announce that the Planning Assistant was leaving the City Council. The Chairman praised her work, commenting that she would be very much missed. Interviews for a replacement assistant would take place on Monday 18 March and both the Chairman and the Planning Clerk would be on the interview panel.

362 CORRESPONDENCE

Appeal Decision, Land West of Treglennick, New Mills Lane, Kenwyn, Truro (PA18.03488)

Councillor Vella (Chairman) commented that a notification of an appeal decision for the above had been received, and unfortunately the appeal was allowed, and planning permission was granted. The Chairman commented that it was unfortunate the Inspector had not considered the appeal decision for White Cottage, as it specifically discussed the issue of not developing into the countryside surrounding Truro.

The meeting closed at 8:03pm.

CHAIRMAN

Schedule 1

PLANNING APPLICATIONS – FOR THE MEETING OF 7 March 2019

SCHEDULE 1 – To Receive a Single Recommendation for the Entire Schedule at the Meeting.

If Members of the Planning Committee wish for an application to be transferred to Schedule 2, please inform the Chairman and Clerk by Thursday 28 February at 5pm for it to be included on the agenda. Please use material planning considerations only.

If the recommendation already states “transfer to schedule 2” there is no need to comment further on this application until the meeting.

Application Details	Proposal	Ward	Comments from Case Officers	Recommendation from Chairman/ Vice-Chairman & Councillors
PA19/00907 31 Copes Gardens Smith	Removal of deadwood damaged branches from the crown and also a crown lift to 5 metres above ground level.	Trehaverne	Janice Taylor- extension approved	Approval recommended subject to the agreement of CC Tree Officer that crown raising to 5 metres is justified and limited to removal of dead wood only.
PA19/00255 Lemon Quay, Back Quay The Clerk, Truro City Council	Advertisement consent for screen to be used for information and local promotion, localism, Cornwall Council communications, paid advertisement slots and screenings of theatre/ballet production	Boscawen	Camellia Bullingham – extension approved “I have concerns over the size and the design of the structure itself and its impact on the setting, this is my initial view and I am currently waiting on consultee responses”	Schedule 2
PA18/11431 The Carriage House Infirmery Hill Mr Michael Grundy	Application for tree works to crown reduce a Eucalyptus Tree in a conservation Area.	Boscawen	Janice Taylor – extension approved	Approval recommended subject to the requirements of the Tree Officer.

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<p>PA19/00874 47 Treworder Road Mr & Mrs Tim Winnan</p>	<p>Construction of single-storey rear extension, dormer extension and create an additional parking space</p>	<p>Redannick</p>	<p>Janice Taylor</p>	<p>Schedule 2</p>
<p>PA19/00720 Chy Gwyn Adelaide Terrace Mr A Dengler</p>	<p>Construction of a two storey extension, leanto store, extension of car parking area, and alterations.</p>	<p>Redannick</p>	<p>Janice Taylor</p>	<p>Approval recommended</p>
<p>PA19/01032 2 Merrick Avenue Mr K Stone</p>	<p>Proposed front extensions and associated works</p>	<p>Tregolls</p>	<p>Janice Taylor “The application is for a small, flat roofed extension to the front of the existing dwelling, it would be a continuation of an existing porch/entrance lobby. The materials/external finishes would match the existing dwelling.</p> <p>The surrounding properties are of a similar character; however, this property appears to have a high hedge which would obscure the proposal from public view. The proposal would not cause additional overlooking or overshadowing and is likely to have a limited impact on the street scene”.</p>	<p>Approval recommended subject to there being no sustainable objections from the neighbours. (Chairman has declared an interest as he knows the applicant and therefore Vice-Chairman is making a recommendation).</p>

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<p>PA19/01085 8 Clifton Gardens Mr and Mrs Leighton Simmons</p>	<p>Single storey extension to existing dwelling.</p>	<p>Redannick</p>	<p>Janice Taylor</p>	<p>Approval recommended subject to there being no sustainable objections from the neighbours.</p>
<p>PA19/00764 22 Epworth Close Mr and Mrs Drew</p>	<p>Demolition of existing rear conservatory and replace with kitchen extension.</p>	<p>Tregolls</p>	<p>Janice Taylor</p>	<p>Approval recommended</p>
<p>PA19/01024 Land at Merrick Avenue Mr P Moon</p>	<p>Works to remove T1 Sycamore tree covered by a Tree Preservation Order</p>	<p>Tregolls</p>	<p>Janice Taylor</p>	<p>Refusal recommended due to lack of justification. The tree contributes a great deal to the quality of the local environment and is much appreciated by residents. We note that the applicant's agent's report is at odds with the Tree Officer's assessment of the tree.</p>

Schedule 1

<p>PA19/00661 Half Acre, Barrack Lane Mr & Mrs David Pollard</p>	<p>Proposed bedroom extension, demolition of garage, utility room and store and construction of extension to provide new store, utility room and loggia</p>	<p>Redannick</p>	<p>Janice Taylor</p>	<p>Approval recommended</p>
<p>PA19/01217 7-8 Boscawen Street Branch Manager, Lloyds Bank</p>	<p>Listed Building Consent for the removal of an existing, through wall Wincor 2150 ATM unit which is accessible within the open plan banking hall and installation of new NCR 6627 ATM</p>	<p>Boscawen</p>	<p>Camellia Bullingham</p>	<p>Approval subject to the requirements of the Conservation Officer.</p>
<p>PA19/01094 Higher Newham Farm Mr Angus Johnstone, Places for People Homes</p>	<p>Approval of reserved matters for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale in relation to outline planning permission PA14/07792 APP/Do840/W/15/3030407 for 155 dwellings and associated parking.</p>	<p>Redannick</p>	<p>Matthew Doble</p>	<p>Schedule 2</p>
<p>PA19/01235 55 Castle Street Thompson Fairview Developments Ltd</p> <p>PA19/01236 (As above)</p>	<p>Enlargement of toilet accommodation to form store/retail area, and kitchenette.</p> <p>Listed Building Consent for the above</p>	<p>Boscawen</p>	<p>Camellia Bullingham</p>	<p>Approval recommended subject to the requirements of the Conservation Officer.</p>

Schedule 1

<p>PA19/00395 Kathmandu Palace, 1st Floor, 19 Old Bridge Street Cornwall Council</p>	<p>Listed Building Consent for proposed works involved in the reconstruction and maintenance work to a localised section of a retaining wall adjacent to the River Allen in Truro</p>	<p>Boscawen</p>	<p>Sophie Rogers</p>	<p>Approval recommended subject to strict adherence to the requirements of CC's Historic Environment service.</p>
<p>PA19/01306 Ground floor, 66 Lemon Street Miss Sandhya Dharumpal Ibuntu Ltd</p>	<p>Listed building consent for proposed projecting sign to the outside of the building.</p>	<p>Boscawen</p>	<p>Camellia Bullingham</p>	<p>Refusal recommended and ask that they re-submit with more appropriate design and materials.</p>
<p>PA19/01690 Calderstone 4 Lodge Drive Mr & Mrs Dixon</p>	<p>Side extension to existing dwelling and replacement of conservatory</p>	<p>Tregolls</p>	<p>Janice Taylor</p>	<p>Approval recommended</p>
<p>PA19/00428 7-9 Second Floor Right Office Old Bridge Street</p>	<p>Change of use from office space into an a1 retail for use as a beauty salon</p>	<p>Boscawen</p>	<p>Camellia Bullingham</p>	<p>Approval recommended</p>

Schedule 2

PLANNING APPLICATIONS – FOR THE MEETING OF 7 MARCH 2019
SCHEDULE 2 – Applications to be considered at the Meeting.

Application Details	Proposal	Ward	Comments from Case Officers	Recommendation from Chairman/ Vice-Chairman & Councillors
(1) PA19/00255 Lemon Quay, Back Quay The Clerk, Truro City Council	Advertisement consent for screen to be used for information and local promotion, localism, Cornwall Council communications, paid advertisement slots and screenings of theatre/ballet production	Boscawen	Camellia Bullingham – extension approved “I have concerns over the size and the design of the structure itself and its impact on the setting, this is my initial view and I am currently waiting on consultee responses”	
(2) PA19/00874 47 Treworder Road Mr & Mrs Tim Winnan	Construction of single-storey rear extension, dormer extension and create an additional parking space	Redannick	Janice Taylor	
(3) PA19/01024 Land at Merrick Avenue Mr P Moon	Works to remove T1 Sycamore tree covered by a Tree Preservation Order	Tregolls	Janice Taylor	
(4) PA19/01094 Higher Newham Farm Mr Angus Johnstone, Places for People Homes	Approval of reserved matters for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale in relation to outline planning permission PA14/07792 APP/Do840/W/15/3030407 for 155 dwellings and associated parking.	Redannick	Matthew Doble	

**A MEETING OF THE PARKS AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD
ON MONDAY 11 March 2019 at 7.00 pm in the Training Room, First Floor,
Second Floor, Truro Community Library, Union Place, Truro**

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs Butler, Mrs Callen, Mrs Eathorne-Gibbons (Chairman), Ellis, Mrs M Nolan, Smith, Ms Southcombe (the Mayor), Wells and Wilson.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Allen [Councillor Biscoe sent apologies following the conclusion of the meeting.]

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor R Nolan

Also in attendance:
Richard Budge – Parks and Amenities Manager
Liam Shoesmith – Deputy Parks Manager.

363 DISCLOSURES OR DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

364 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 February 2018, having been before Council on 25 February 2019, were signed as a correct record.

365 WILD TRURO AND URBAN BUZZ UPDATE

Project Update

Further to Minute 197, the Deputy Parks Manager provided an update on the Wild Truro and Urban Buzz Projects and a copy of his report was circulated at the meeting. A poster (designed by the Administrative Assistant - Parks and Amenities) illustrating the branding/ publicity style which had been adopted was commended by the Committee.

He updated Members on progress in the seeding of areas at Kenwyn and Tremorvah Playing Fields, Open Space (Redannick), Boscawen Park and Shoppers Car Park (Bridge Street). Seed had been provided by Urban Buzz at no cost to the Council; financial support was also provided for ground preparation works. The Committee was reminded funding for the Sherwin Bed at Boscawen Park (by the Duck Pond) had been provided in a bequest and resulted in an attractive pollinator and wildlife-friendly bed. To date, 3,000 cuttings had been taken from the bed to plant other areas in Truro. Mr Godfrey Mortimore (Truro in Bloom Committee) had also constructed a variety of bird and bat boxes which were being installed alongside the Urban Buzz project working with Truro BID Team. They would form part of educational work planned for later in the year. Several other areas would be seeded and planted in the future. He went on say the bed by the Cathedral had also been planted. The Mayor was thanked for arranging £700 match funding provided by the Truro in Bloom Committee, Truro Day Committee, Friends of Sunny Corner and an individual donation of £100.

The Deputy Parks Manager concluded by challenging Members to assist with these and future projects in working with educational bodies, research, funding, manpower and publicity. He also illustrated the powerful publicity provided by social media.

Following the presentation, the Deputy Parks Manager confirmed the Urban Buzz Project was due to finish on 22 March as will project funding which originated from the national Bugslife Charity. The Urban Buzz project focused on pollinators; the Council's Wild Truro project covered wildlife in general. The provision of feeding stations was not currently being pursued at the present time due to the potential problems of attracting vermin.

It was moved by the Chairman, that it be

RECOMMENDED that the Deputy Parks Manager and Mayor be thanked for all their hard work in support of the Urban Buzz and Wild Truro projects.

366 TREMORVAH FLAYING FIELD (EP5/11)

Use by Dogs

Parks and Amenities Manager reported on persistent problems caused by dogs particularly at Tremorvah Playing Field. Staff had regularly reported the nuisance caused by dogs such as faeces and verbal aggression experienced when challenging owners over their dog's behaviour. Signs already indicated no dogs should enter the play area. Additional signs had been put up reminding owners to clean up after their dog and to walk them around the edge of the field, but in fact they regularly roamed across the field. Members were reminded the field was used for playing football (Minute 325 refers) and other recreation. Dog grids had also been turned up the correct way. Despite these actions, problems continued. From 1 April Biffa would cease emptying dog bins; dog faeces to be disposed of in general litter bins. He sought Members' support in tackling these problems.

He reported the Friends of Tremorvah Playing Field (FTPF) would be meeting on 13 March and an idea for a proposed dog agility area would be discussed – perhaps a fenced off area for dogs might be suitable. It might also be necessary to contact Cornwall Council, who provided a dog warden service, to highlight these problems and request assistance in deterring the nuisance behaviour.

During discussion, concern was also highlighted about dog fouling in other areas, including Hendra Playing Field. It was suggested occasional visits by a dog warden might have a deterrent effect.

It was moved by the Chairman, that it be

RECOMMENDED that the Parks and Amenities Manager write to Cornwall Council's Dog Warden Service, describing the nuisance behaviour problems caused by dogs and seeking assistance to deter such behaviour at Tremorvah and Hendra Playing Fields and other areas, as necessary.

The Parks and Amenities Manager agreed to report the Committee's above support to FTPF meeting and feedback to Members accordingly. An update report would be made to the next Committee meeting on 8 April.

367 VICTORIA AND WATERFALL GARDENS (EP/6)

(i) Staff Accommodation:

Further to Minute 322, the Parks and Amenities Manager reported back on potential costs and details of a temporary portacabin-type or wooden building to meet staff welfare needs. He reported a new welfare unit might cost £1,200 per calendar month and a wooden cabin-type building might cost about £2,200. Taking into account these high costs, the roof of the existing staff accommodation would be repaired, retiled and the interior refreshed. Whilst this work was being carried out the Maintenance Team's portable welfare unit would be used. The report was noted.

(ii) Request for Use

A request was reported for the use of Waterfall Gardens as a gathering point from 12:00 noon to start a march regarding the EU/ Peoples' vote on Saturday 23 March.

Pursuant to Standing Order 16(b) – Matters of Urgency, due to the date of the event being on 23 March 2019, the Chairman

RESOLVED that the item below, due to the date of the event being 23 March 2019, be considered as a Matter of Urgency.

It was then moved by the Chairman, that it be

RESOLVED that permission be granted for the use of Waterfall Gardens as a gathering point from 12:00 noon to start a march regarding the EU/ Peoples' vote, subject to the usual terms and conditions.

368 BOSCAWEN PARK AND THE SWANPOOL (EP7)

Project Update - Dredging of Swanpool

Further to Minute 326, the Parks and Amenities Manager reported he had met a potential contractor, but it was not possible to use amphibious piping to agitate the silt in the silt trap and pipe it up to the new Cemetery land for spreading across the fields; there was too much gravel and twig material etc. He would need to reconsider how to undertake the work, which might involve excavating the whole pond and removing the silt for appropriate disposal. Following further investigation, he would report back to the next Committee meeting on 8 April 2019. The report was noted.

369 IDLESS NURSERY (EP20)

Project Update:

Further to Minute 250, the Parks and Amenities Manager reported:

- i. Work on compliance with the CDM regulations was expected to be signed off week commencing 18 March;
- ii. Lloyd Richards (who had been commissioned as a part-time project manager) had arranged for sewage and drainage system work and construction of the new buildings to be tendered;
- iii. Tenders for other works had been sought;
- iv. Tenders would be opened on 8 April;
- v. It was hoped the new Nursery would be open by March 2020;
- vi. A copy of the construction plan which had been circulated to the Committee and to all Councillors for their information was tabled.

The Parks and Amenities Manager was asked when the works would be complete. He explained currently he was unable to provide dates; however, after the tender process had been completed, he would circulate a copy of the plan, with dates added, to all Councillors for their information. A paper copy of the current plan would also be sent to Councillor Mrs Carlyon.

It was moved by the Chairman, that it be

RECOMMENDED that the Parks and Amenities Manager, the Compliance Officer and everyone involved in the work of the new Idless Nursery project be thanked for their hard work.

370 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES (F10)

The Compliance Officer's report was tabled at the meeting. She was congratulated by the Mayor for her work on dealing with the closure, and subsequent re-opening of, the Moorfield Car Park Toilets. The report was noted.

371 PARKS AND AMENITIES MANAGER'S REPORT (EP18)

Appendix A

Members received the report of the Parks and Amenities Manager which had been tabled at the meeting. The Chairman reported Boscawen Park and Victoria Gardens had both been awarded 5-star Pride in Parks awards at the seminar held on 28 February.

It was moved by the Chairman, that it be

RECOMMENDED that very sincere thanks be given to all the staff involved in the work to support the Council's involvement in the RHS South West in Bloom competition.

372 TWO, FIVE AND TEN YEAR PLAN

Appendix B

Further to Minute 284, the Committee considered an updated draft Two, Five and Ten Year Committee Work Plan which had been circulated in advance of, and tabled at, the meeting by the Parks and Amenities Manager. During presentation of the report:

- i. He clarified work to install the new play equipment at Redannick Park was subject to the weather;
- ii. Community litter picks had taken place at Coosebean;
- iii. Staff had been consulted on the design of the improved staff welfare facilities at Boscawen Park Depot. It was anticipated an application for building regulation approval would be made week commencing 18 March. The Parks and Amenities Manager had a site meeting with the architect earlier that day;
- iv. A few snags on the newly refurbished tennis courts would be referred to the contractors;
- v. The project to replace the tennis pavilion had been delayed due to the volume of required surveys. However, plans for the new building had been received earlier that day and would be considered at the next Committee meeting. They would be subject to a pre-planning application. Two pine trees opposite the old building required to be removed but the intention was that wood from those trees would be incorporated into the cladding for the proposed new building. He confirmed the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee would also be requested to look at the draft application prior to submission.

The report was noted.

373 LETTERS OF APPRECIATION (EP11/4)

The following messages of appreciation were reported to the Committee:

- i. The Deputy Parks Manager was thanked for his recent talk to the PROBUS Club. He was also thanked by the Chairman for driving her and the Mayor to and from Chippenham for the SWIB seminar last month;
- ii. Councillor Biscoe and the Cornwall Council's Senior Archaeologist (Countryside Advice) both thanked staff for all their help in assisting with the retrieval, removal and storage of the damaged Cornish Cross monument at High Cross following the recent incident; and
- iii. Councillor Biscoe thanked all staff for their work in support of the annual St Piran's Day parade on 5 March.

The report was noted.

374 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm.

CHAIRMAN