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MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE HELD 09 JANUARY 2025 AT 1900

PRESENT: Councillors Pascoe (Chairman), Wetherill (Vice-Chairman), Swain (Mayor), Mrs Carlyon, Green, and Webb.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Griffiths, Hall, Nolan, Mrs Nolan, Unwin, and Rabey.

1 COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

The apologies were **noted**.

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2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

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It was proposed by Councillor Pascoe, seconded by Councillor Webb, and **RESOLVED** that Standing Orders be suspended for fifteen minutes to allow the Forestry officer to finish his presentation.

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[Councillor Green entered the meeting at 1901.]

It was proposed by Councillor Pascoe, seconded by Councillor Webb, and **RESOLVED** that Standing Orders be reinstated.

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3 MINUTES

The minutes of the Planning & Licensing Committee meeting held on 19th December 2024 were considered for accuracy. It was proposed by Councillor Swain, seconded by Councillor Green, and **RESOLVED** that they were considered a true and correct record.

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4 PLANNING CONSULTATION

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a Schedule 1A;

- i. 64 Tregolls Road Truro Cornwall TR1 1LD (PA24/09300)

It was proposed by Councillor Green, seconded by Councillor Wetherill, and **RESOLVED** that Truro City Council support the application within schedule 1A.

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b Schedule 1B;

- i. 14 Trafalgar Row Malpas Road Truro Cornwall TR1 1QD (PA24/09069)
ii. 17 St Georges Road Truro Cornwall TR1 3JD (PA24/08906)
iii. 9 Coldrose Court Truro Cornwall TR1 2LE (PA24/09852)

It was proposed by Councillor Swain, seconded by Councillor Webb, and **RESOLVED** that Truro City Council support the applications within schedule 1B. **P/24/1014**

c Schedule 2

None. P/24/1015

5 LICENSING

None. P/24/1016

6 URGENT APPLICATIONS

None. P/24/1017

7 CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Mayor or Marazion Parish Council. Re: Vote of No Confidence Cornwall Council Planning and Enforcement.

The Chairman reminded members of the letters contents and outlined a conversation he had had with the Town Clerk at Marazion; disagreeing on a number of points raised, such as the case officers level of involvement in decision making but sympathising with the enforcement and failing system. The feeling being that the Councillors were shouting into a void with no feedback loop.

An email from Councillor Olliver Monk (Cornwall Council Cabinet Member and Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing) was read out by the Chairman countering points of the letter notably;

- o being unaware of the meeting referred to.
- o work on a new local plan resulting from NPPF changes.
- o upcoming reforms to planning system will make any change now superfluous.

Members then discussed the letter, commenting on the reducing level of enforcement from Cornwall Council and the reasons for this predominantly being resource as a result of public interest, in addition to the lack of outcome reporting.

It was felt by some that the letter was politically motivated and although the committee shared frustrations a vote of no confidence was not effective at this stage.

It was proposed by Councillor Webb, seconded by Councillor Mrs Carlyon, and **recommended** to Full Council that Truro City Councils Planning and Licensing Committee agree with Marazion Parish Council that the current system of enforcement is not functioning as intended and is not effective. Members believe in radical change and that appropriate resources and finances are allocated to facilitate effective change. The committee further believes that more transparency is needed between Cornwall Council and parish councils. **P/24/1018**

It was proposed by, Councillor Webb, seconded by Councillor Swain and **recommended** to Full Council that Truro City Council should not however go so far as to support a no confidence vote, as it believes that the current system can be improved without going so far at this time. **P/24/1019**

[Councillor Mrs Carlyon requested that her vote against this recommendation be recorded.]

8 DELEGATION OF POWER

None.

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9 DECISIONS

The decisions by Cornwall Council since the last meeting of the planning committee were **noted**.

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10 TRURO TRANSPORT STRATEGY WORKING GROUP

Nothing to report.

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12 CHAIRMANS REPORT

Nothing to report.

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13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is 30th January 2025.

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The meeting closed at 1949.

Chairman