



# HAYLE TOWN COUNCIL

## FULL COUNCIL MEETING

**THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER 2025**

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at Hayle Community Centre on Thursday 4 December 2025 commencing at 7.00pm.

### **PRESENT**

Councillors

B. Capper, R. Heard, J. Martin (Mayor), L. Pascoe, S. Rees, V. Tan.

### **ALSO PRESENT**

E. Giggall-Hollis, Town Clerk and M. Costello, Deputy Clerk

### **7.00PM MEETING COMMENCED**

#### **FC71 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (For Information Only)**

The Mayor told Members that he had attended Bodriggy School to meet the winning artist, chosen by Perran Moon MP in his local schools Christmas Card competition, who had also allowed Hayle Town Council (HTC) to use the artwork for its cards this year.

He also reported that he had attended St Julia's Hospice to turn on their Christmas Lights which had been a wonderful, well supported event.

#### **FC72 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Brown, Ninnes and Smitheram.

#### **FC73 DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY RECEIVED OVER THE VAUE OF £50 (FROM A SINGLE SOURCE OVER THE COURSE OF 1 YEAR)**

There were none.

#### **FC74 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS RELATING TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

#### **FC75 TO RESOLVE TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC DUE TO THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS**

There were no relevant items on the agenda.

#### **FC76 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (lasting up to 15 minutes in total)**

Ben Baseley spoke regarding noise from motorbikes and speeding through town which he hoped would be discussed during agenda item 10 (*minute FC80 refers*). He explained that he had recently moved to Hayle and wanted to draw attention to this issue which was mainly occurring through the main route from Copperhouse towards Foundry and Higher Church Street and Mount Pleasant. The small capacity modified motorcycles were disturbing residents with their unreasonable, anti-social and potentially threatening behaviour and dangerous manoeuvres the noise of which could be heard as far as Connor Downs. He hoped that the police can enforce and discourage this activity.

The Mayor confirmed that this issue was a contributing factor leading to the invitation to the police to attend this meeting.

#### **FC77 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING ON 6 NOVEMBER 2025**

**It was resolved** that the minutes of the Full Council Meeting on 6 November 2025 be taken as a true and accurate record with the Mayor signing each page before placing them in the record book.

#### **FC78 COMMITTEES**

a) **Minutes For Approval:**

- i) Planning and Transport Committee Meeting 20 November 2025

**It was resolved** to receive the minutes of the Planning and Transport Committee Meeting on 20 November 2025 so that actions could be carried out.

- ii) Amenities Committee Meeting 20 November 2025

**It was resolved** to receive the minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting on 20 November 2025 so that actions could be carried out.

b) **Recommendations from the following meetings**

There were none.

#### **FC79 REPORTS RELATING TO OR FROM OTHER BODIES/WORKING PARTIES/EVENTS/PROJECTS**

- a) Notes of St Ives Bay Management Working Party Meeting 17 November 2025

The Notes of the St Ives Bay Management Group 29 September 2025 were NOTED with thanks (*See attached Appendix A*).

#### **FC80 GUEST PRESENTATION: ACTING INSPECTOR SCRIMGEOUR AND PC MAGUREAN TO DISCUSS CURRENT ISSUES AFFECTING HAYLE AND CONSIDER OPTIONS TO HELP ADDRESS THEM**

Acting Inspector John Scrimgeour explained that he is covering Penzance, St Ives, and Hayle Stations while Inspector Dee Evans is conducting project work. He displayed a presentation

on the projector, which included information regarding sector priorities and updates. These included current staffing levels and issues with recruitment. However, he advised that Hayle has two deployable Officers, plus the 4 Tri-Service Officers. He informed Members that Hayle predominantly has issues with young people and anti-social behaviour (ASB) and introduced PC Joseph Magurean who also works Cornwall Council (CC) and the Youth Justice Service with the aim to deter offending alongside a dedicated ASB caseworker. They also discussed recent local operations carried out targeting drugs and a closure order for a premises in Harvey's Way.

The discussion moved onto the public reports of speeding and vehicle ASB, of groups of motorcycles with L-plates using intimidating behaviour through Hayle. Inspector Scrimgeour said that there is a dedicated PSCO nominated to be the single point of contact taking the lead on speedwatch and vehicle ASB in the traffic department at Camborne. He would need to identify main times and days this is occurring and said that they can definitely look at plain clothes officers in unmarked cars and start doing checks. Apparently, often once individuals are identified a home visit can often deter as once a S59 warning is issued, a second offence will lead to the vehicle being seized and crushed.

PC Magurean has been visiting local schools to give talks on road safety and Community Speedwatch is also looking at introducing this in a school. It was agreed that a joint approach with the Multi Skilled Civil Enforcement Officer, may be beneficial.

Members discussed the figures for reported crimes which were included in the presentation. They described the consistent and slow escalation of crime in Hayle, such as speeding, ASB, drug use, graffiti, vandalism, criminal damage and reports of staff and members of the public avoiding the King George V Memorial Walk (KGVMW) after dark.

The Mayor discussed his letter to the Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall Police. He said that the main point had been to try and get more police in Hayle and he was now hoping to meet with Commander Scott Bradley, along with Penzance and St Ives Town Council.

The Clerk told Members that vandalism has ramped up again at the Recreation Ground, and an additional 2 CCTV cameras are on order to complement the existing one. She advised that although an application has been made to the Police and Crime Commission (PCC), they are still waiting for the outcome.

It was agreed that PC Magurean and Councillors Heard and Pascoe, would accompany the Clerk to visit the joint monitoring service based at St Ives.

**FC81 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS** (NB representatives of the relevant organisations may be in attendance to present their report and receive questions)

a) Cornwall Council Update

Cornwall Councillor Channon was not present but had sent in a report which had been circulated by email prior to the meeting (*See attached Appendix B*).

The report was NOTED.

No report or apologies had been received from Cornwall Councillor Heslington.

b) Hayle Harbour Update

The Harbour Master had sent in a report which had been circulated by email prior to the meeting (*See attached Appendix C*).

The report was NOTED.

Hayle North Quay had submitted a development update which had been circulated by email prior to the meeting (*See attached Appendix D*).

Sarah Wardle, Director of Cavendish Consulting and Adam Gaymer, Arpenteur displayed diagrams depicting a visual comparison of the proposed changes to the planning application following consultation with CC, which would form part of the next stage that will be presented to the community on Saturday 24 January at Hayle Day Care Centre between 10am and 2pm.

They confirmed that the auction dates for six of the parcels of land put up for auction have been postponed until the beginning of February, as requested by HTC. Confirming that a commercial receipt is required for these to help balance the books to focus on the development.

- c) To consider a) and b) above and agree actions, if any

Councillors discussed the lack of attendance by Ward Members Channon and Heslington. They felt that they were not engaging or representing their communities. It was agreed to include them in the annual attendance records.

**It was resolved** to contact Cornwall Councillors Channon and Heslington and ask that they attend Full Council Meetings from January onwards or give their apologies if unable to attend.

## **FC82 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) To approve the Income and Expenditure of the Council for October 2025

**It was resolved** to approve the Income and Expenditure of the Council for October 2025 as listed on Appendix E.

- b) To approve the Bank Reconciliation for October 2025

**It was resolved** to approve the Bank Reconciliation for October 2025 as listed on Appendix F.

- c) To note the Budget position, as of October 2025

**It was resolved** to note the Budget position, as of October 2025, as listed on Appendix G.

## **FC83 TO REVIEW AND ADOPT/NOTE THE FOLLOWING DRAFT DOCUMENTS**

- a) Environmental and Sustainability Policy

Members discussed whether the council should focus on being as environmentally friendly as possible and the potential the impact of this on the precept. It was agreed that if adopted, the document would be formatted in line with other council documents.

**It was resolved** to adopt the Environmental and Sustainability Policy.

**FC84 TO CONSIDER THE QUOTE AND DRAFT FOR THE REDESIGN AND MANUFACTURE OF THE MAYOR'S / DEPUTY MAYOR'S CONSORTS' CHAINS OF OFFICE, AND TO APPROVE THE ASSOCIATED COST, IF APPLICABLE** (*Resolution of the Resource Committee 17 July 2025, minute R9 refers*)

The draft design was shown to Councillors, having been shared by email earlier and the Mayor explained the details of the quote. He clarified his decision to forgo the Mayor's Allowance and suggested this is put towards the cost of this work, to create a unique legacy representing the town and crafted by a local artist.

**It was resolved** to accept the quote and commission Charles Hall to redesign and manufacture of the Mayor's / Deputy Mayor's Consorts' Chains of Office, using the £2,800 underspend in the Mayoral Allowance and the balance of £400 to come from General Reserves.

**FC85 CLERKS REPORT**

- a) To receive the Clerk's progress report on current projects

The Clerk reported that:

- John Pollard Garden is nearly complete. The fences are down and the site is accessible to the public, although the planting is still underway and the schools bird boxes and RSPB lectern still need to be installed. She confirmed that the official opening will be delayed until the New Year.
- Work on the Masterplan continues in partnership with Hayle Community Action Group (HCAG). The two recent consultation days went well, and the online survey has been kept open until 5 January, with valuable feedback so far.
- The HCAG relaunch recently took place, with the revised committee structure and chair agreed upon. HTC will continue to act as secretary as a temporary arrangement until the Masterplan work is complete, when it will continue to work in partnership.
- Some slight changes to the plans had been made to the library staff rooms, for the Civic and Community Hub, following consultation with disAbility Cornwall and further engagement with schools and the public.
- The Facilities and Contracts Manager is busy working on the installation of the two new CCTV cameras at the Recreation Ground, while waiting to hear about the outcome of the application to the PCC.
- Work is underway at the Swimming Pool in the changing rooms and with new beds created and areas grassed to reduce the slab area in preparation for the proposed resin surface. Parts are on order for the new Lifeguard unit.
- The Staff Review is underway, and it has been a busy few days including a tour of Hayle.
- The new cemetery gates have now been installed.

b) Meetings and events

The Clerk drew attention to forthcoming meetings and events, and it was agreed that the schedule of meetings would be circulated by email.

**Meetings December 2025**

4 December	7pm	Full Council Meeting	The Assembly Room
6 December	All Day	Free Parking in Cornwall Council Car Parks – Small Business Saturday	Commercial Road and Foundry Square Car Parks
18 December	6.45pm	Planning & Transport Committee Meeting	The Assembly Room
18 December	7.30pm	Amenities Committee Meeting	The Assembly Room
8 January	7pm	Full Council Meeting	The Assembly Room
9 January	1pm	Official opening of the John Pollard Garden	On site
14 January	tbc	Hayle Community Action Group (HCAG)	tbc

The meeting closed at 9.07pm.

**Town Mayor .....**

**Date .....**