

MINUTES OF THE FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING held on Monday 24 April 2023 at 7.00 pm in the Alverne Room, St John's Hall, Alverton Street, Penzance.

PRESENT

Councillor J M How (Town Mayor)
W Elliott (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors MJ Beveridge
S Elliott
B Jackson
Z Lawlor
TS Marrington
J McKenna
J Power
R Sorrell
SJ Reynolds

Also present: James Hardy (Town Clerk), Elliot Ridington (Democratic Services Officer), Cornwall Councillor Andrew George and twenty-four members of the public.

The Mayor welcomed members of the public and representatives of local organisations.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Axford, Bosworth, Broadhurst, Davis and Young. Further apologies were received from Tamsin Harvey (Solomon Browne Memorial Hall), Des Hosken (Penzance Rotary Club) and David Wakfer (Gulval Christmas Lights).

2. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 25 APRIL 2022

The Minutes of the forty-first Annual Town Meeting, having already been circulated, were confirmed and signed as a true and correct record.

(Proposed: Councillor Reynolds; seconded: Councillor S Elliott)

Vote; Eight in favour. Three abstentions.

3. PRESENTATION – PENZANCE COUNCIL ANNUAL REVIEW AND LOOKING TO THE FUTURE FOR PENZANCE

The Town Clerk provided a presentation entitled 'Penzance Council Annual Review and Looking to the Future for Penzance'.

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Town Clerk made a number of points of clarification following questions raised by members of the public.

4. REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL'S FORTY-SECOND YEAR

The report on the Council's 2022/23 year had been circulated and a copy was available on Penzance Council's website.

5. AN EXPLANATION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL'S FINANCES DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022/23

The Chair of the Finance and General Purposes Committee provided a report on the Town Council's finances and a summary of the Town Council's Income and Expenditure for the financial year 2021/22 and draft figures for the year ended 31 March 2023.

6. QUESTIONS FROM THE ELECTORS

No questions from electors had been submitted. However, the Mayor invited the recipients of grant funding from Penzance Council to report on the projects which the funding had enabled and the associated benefits which had been realised.

The meeting closed at 7:58 pm

Town Mayor
22 April 2024