

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE ROVA CABIN PULLA CROSS ON 27th January 2005

Those Present	Cllr. M.I.T. Herbert (Chairman) Cllr. D. Lanyon Cllr R. Snell Prospective Councillors. C. Langley, N. Nicholls and J. Wharton
In attendance	Cllr. R. Hichens - CCC PC Louise Jones Joe Dyer – The West Briton
Apologies	Cllr. M. Ivey Cllr. J.Whiteley – CDC Cllr. C. Banks - CDC
Parishioners	None

CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS

Having successfully completed a selection process Caroline Langley, Nigel Nicholls and John Wharton each signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and observance of the Code of Conduct in the presence of the Clerk as Proper Officer for this purpose and each handed the Clerk a completed Register of Members' Interests.

The Chairman welcomed each to the Council and introduced them to those present.

PARISHIONERS' DISCUSSION

PC Jones reported that there had been six reported crimes – theft from garage at Trewelm Lane Crofthandy, lorry set on fire at United Downs, domestic assault at Cusgarne, theft of diesel oil at United Downs, stolen vehicle (since recovered) at Little Beside and damage to street lights at United Downs Industrial Estate. Abandoned vehicles left after removal of travellers had been removed. Cllr. Hichens confirmed that the rest of the rubbish would be removed but was unable to say when. Cllr. Lanyon commented that since Louise had taken up her post the crime reports were shorter. She did not acknowledge that this was the result of her appointment but did say that generally there was a trend of more reporting by the public.

Prayers were said and the Minutes of Meetings of 16th December 2004 and 13th January 2005 were signed as correct.

MATTERS ARISING

04/106

In respect of 04/104:-

1. Cllr. Hichens said that there would be a consultation shortly on the footway proposals.
2. Cllr. Snell said that he had investigated the FP52 works and these were excellent. The obstruction and 'diversion' were in place and queried why not proper Diversion Order. Cllr. Hichens said that probably best left alone as notwithstanding agreement from everyone else the Ramblers Association always insisted on routes remaining the same whatever the problems caused to users and that always resulted in a costly Public Inquiry
3. The Clerk reported on the Public Inquiry into FP31 and opined that this would be granted subject to clarification by the County Council on the alleged parallel route of FP29 along the Parish Boundary.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

04/107

Cllr. Lanyon confirmed his ongoing interest as Chairman of the GPRA

VICE-CHAIRMAN

04/108

Cllr. Lanyon was unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman

PHOTO-COPIER

04/109

After failed efforts at sale it was resolved that the redundant photo-copier be donated to the play group

NOTICE BOARDS

04/110

IT WAS RESOLVED to purchase two more notice boards in the same style and design as that installed at Frogpool one with posts at Gwennap Church and one attached to the Bus shelter at Crofthandy. No decision was made on public accessibility but the Clerk pointed out that if this were granted it would need a local keyholder.

GRANITE SETTS

04/111

IT WAS RESOLVED that the granite setts owned by the Council would be stored on land owned by Cllr. Snell under his licence and consent to be removed by the Council within 28 days of Cllr. Snell ceasing to be a Councillor for whatever reason or within 28 days of demand by Cllr. Snell whichever be the earlier Cllr Snell initialling these minutes at next meeting to signify his agreement. Cllr. Snell said that he would continue this arrangement even if he resigned from or was voted off the Council.

CORRESPONDENCE

04/112

1. Fire Brigade Survey
2. Cornwall Air Quality Strategy
3. CCC – Pulla Cross closure
4. CCC – Quote for field cutting
5. CCC – Local Maintenance Project
6. CDC – Poldice Valley Minutes
7. CDC – Tax Base Information *Clerk to ask what use this is to the Council as Precept required to be set much earlier and letter not understood anyway*
8. CDC – Crime Drugs and Disorder Audit
9. CDC – Rural Car Parks review
10. Citizens Advice Bureau – Independent Complaints Advocacy
11. Stephen Edwards re Brochures and Historic Churchyards
12. CCC – Comford Bridge Strengthening
13. E-mail from Colin Brewer confirming flume may be removed
14. Carharrack PC Minutes
15. CCC Redruth & Chacewater Branchline Trail
16. Defra Phytophthora kernoviae Management Zone *Clerk confirmed he had copied to the Tree Warden and the Contractor*
17. CDC – Rural Carparks
18. Tony Mogford Playground report *Agreed to reinstate gravel and investigate gate closers*
19. Cornwall Buildings Preservation Trust
20. CCC Tregulflow Retaining Wall *Cllr. Hichens confirmed that the concrete retaining wall would be up to road level and surmounted. Query whether reference to an earth bank is uninformed reference to a Cornish Hedge*
21. Cornwall Housing Partnership

22. CDC Parish & Town Council Forum

PLANNING MATTERS

04/113

EXISTING APPLICATIONS

Appn Ref PA12/2208/04/B
Applicant J M G Tripp
Location Plots 19 – 22 United Downs
Development Change of Use
Grid Ref 174280/415000

Granted

Appn Ref PA12/2227/04/R
Applicant S Paull
Location The Meadows Chapel Lane Crofthandy
Development Garage conversion and new garage
Grid Ref 173980/42450

Refused as dominating and obtrusive contrary to Structure Plan and Local Plan

Appn Ref PA12/2201/04/R
Applicant A S Darlington
Location Greenbottom Farm Coombe
Development Car park and change of access
Grid Ref 176360/41090

Granted subject to conditions

Appn Ref LB12/1854/04/R
Applicant Mr & Mrs T Monks
Location Cusgarne House
Development Renovation of outbuildings
Grid Ref 175880/40740

Granted subject to conditions

Appn Ref PA12/2104/04/R
Applicant M P Masters
Location Wheal Maiden Barn
Development Barn conversion
Grid Ref 174100/42260

Refused on highway access grounds

Appn Ref PA12/2131/04/G
Applicant Mr & Mrs Grubb
Location Penventon Farm Nursery
Development Shop staff room and office
Grid Ref 173040/39740

Granted subject to conditions incl. Limitation on shop sales

Appn Ref TC12/2438/04/F
Applicant Mrs P Lewis
Location Court Farmhouse Gwennap
Development Fell sorbus and prune hawthorn
Grid Ref 173940/40080

Granted for two years

Appn Ref PA12/2416/04/R
 Applicant Mr & Mrs Willcocks
 Location Pencoose Farmhouse Burncoose
 Development Porch and utility extension
 Grid Ref 174470/39320
Granted

NEW APPLICATIONS

Appn Ref LB12/2626/04/G
 Applicant Cornwall County Council
 Location Shears Engine House Cusvey
 Development Minor consolidation and repairs shaft grille and interpretation board
 Grid Ref 175640/41990
Support subject to shaft caging being same as in Poldice Valley

Appn Ref PA12/2556/04/R
 Applicant Mr & Mrs M Stone
 Location Trevince Farmhouse Gwennap
 Development Renovation of outbuilding as extension to dwelling
 Grid Ref 173690/40380
Support subject to compliance with Carrick Design Guide

Appn Ref PA12/2596/04/B
 Applicant Mr & Mrs Vercoe
 Location Eldon Cottage United Downs
 Development Retro. for garage non-conforming and use as holiday let
 Grid Ref 175050/41140
Support in respect of non-complying garage design but object to change of use on grounds of over-intensification of use and lack of demonstrable need

Appn Ref PA12/2657/04/R
 Applicant R Drew
 Location United Bungalow United Road
 Development Replacement house garage etc
 Grid Ref 174240/41720
Support

Appn Ref PA12/0127/04/R
 Applicant N C & Mrs A Pascoe
 Location The Firs Trehaddle
 Development Replace caravan with single storey bungalow
 Grid Ref 175250/40410
Support subject to compliance with Carrick Design Guide but emphasise that this should not set precedent for in-filling of vacant adjoining land

ACCOUNTS
 04/114

IT WAS RESOLVED to pay the following amounts:-

CHEQUE NO.	TO WHOM	DETAIL	AMOUNT
100509	C.P. Martin	Clerks Salary & Expenses	£525.71
100510	W. Johns	Toilet & Street Cleaning	£96.50
100511	Cantab Consulting	Statutory survey Wheal Maid	£1703.75
100512	Information Commissioner	Data Protection Licence	£35.00
100513	Contract Signs Systems Ltd	Wheal Maid Signs	£1311.30
100514	Irvin Herbert	New Modem	£30.00
100515	Open Spaces Society	Subscription	£30.00

100516	Cornwall County Council	Playing field cutting	£478.23
100517	Gwennap PCC	Romm Hire	£15.00
100518	M P Chegwiddden	Paths etc	£1641.47

**GPRA
04/115**

Cllr. Lanyon said that the GPRA was generally satisfied that it should cease operating the playing field wef. 1.4.05 and would like a meeting before then. The Clerk was to prepare Heads of Agreement. The EHO had confirmed that the kitchen can be used for catering at a limited number of events subject to some alterations on tiling.

**WHEAL MAID
04/116**

A general discussion took place on whether or not it would be advisable for the Council to dispose of the site to the District Council (or others) so long as it retained sufficient input to the regeneration. The Clerk felt that neither he nor the Council had sufficient wherewithal to be able to manage the project if funds became available and that the expertise would have to be bought in at a cost to the proposals. He said that only 'feelers' had been put out at the moment so there was no urgency in resolving the matter. He was more concerned about what might happen if the authorities enforced against the Council which had insufficient funds to comply. He was awaiting advice on where to seek formal advice.

**HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS
04/117**

1. The Clerk produced the claim under the Local Maintenance Partnership (now Project) and explained that he had had trouble getting the Contractor to form-fill and that he did not fully understand the new procedures. He estimated that the CCC may reduce the contribution by about £500 if they do not pay as previously. IT WAS RESOLVED that the Chairman should sign the claim.
2. The Clerk was to see if each Councillor could have a copy of the Definitive Map. He explained that use is restricted and the plans he has are 'on loan.'
3. An additional boulder was impeding FP56 and the Clerk would see if the Contractor can move this as no horses etc can enter

**REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE
04/118**

1. It was agreed that the whole Council should meet on site to see the state and condition of the buildings – the Rova Cabin, the toilets and the changing rooms – to assess what needs doing with a view to an action plan being drawn up.
2. Cllr. Snell said he had some paint to paint out the graffiti at the Crofthandy bus shelter and it was agreed he could go ahead

CHAIRMANS URGENT BUSINESS

For the benefit of the new Councillors the background of the Mining Villages Regeneration Group was explained. The Council were now only observers for the purposes of the Historic Churchyards Project which had foundered. The Clerk of the Group had suggested we stay on the Group as the situation might alter.

Signed.....
Chairman

14th February 2005