

# Gwennap Parish Council

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## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT GWENNAP CHURCH HALL ON 23<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2006

Those Present	Cllr. M.I.T. Herbert (Chairman) Cllr. D. Lanyon (Vice-Chairman) Cllr R. Snell Cllr. J. Wharton Cllr. M Ivey Cllr. N. Nicholls
In attendance	WPC Osborne Cllr R Hichens Alan Blamey - Clerk Paul Millett – Tree warden J Dyer (press)
Apologies	Cllr C Langley District Cllr Banks District Cllr Whiteley

### PARISHIONERS' DISCUSSION

1. Louise Osborne gave her report of incidents during the past month.  
It had been a quieter month, with one vehicle being broken into at Gwennap and a reduction of calls regarding the Wheal Maid site.  
A four-wheeled drive vehicle had been apprehended in the tailings dams and issued with a fixed penalty notice. For future months, Louise agreed to furnish any recorded road traffic incidents in the Parish. Cllr Lanyon requested this to give the council indications of potential problem spots.
2. The council agreed to Paul Millett's request for a camellia shrub to be planted in the churchyard in memory of the late Mrs Beauchamp.
3. Paul also reported that he had dealt with a fallen branch that was blocking the Chellean – Trehaddle lane.
4. A chemical had now been identified that could be used in treating the roots / stumps of scrub that Paul Chegwiddden had cleared in the churchyard. The Chairman, Paul Millett and Paul Chegwiddden would liaise regarding an on-site meeting to appraise themselves of all outstanding matters.

**Prayers were said and the Minutes of the meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> January 2006 were signed as correct**, with the exception of item 3 under Parishioners discussion where the use of the word disrupted was felt to be incorrect. The first sentence should read "Due to a misleading article in the press, people had to be turned away."

### MATTERS ARISING

**06/12**

1. Following discussion in last months' meeting regarding problems at Wheal Jewell traveller's site others had aired the problem in the local press. Given the way in which the Parish Council had been misled by the County Council when it was originally created, rumours of the current site being increased in numbers were met with total rejection. It must not happen.  
The County Council was holding a meeting on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 4pm at St Day School to address related issues and Cllr Wharton would be our representative.
2. A reply had been received from the editor of the West Briton after our complaint last month regarding the misleading article indicating there was to be an off-road biking meeting. The Parish Notice was given as the reason for the article appearing, the words "Wheal Maid" being interpreted incorrectly

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**06/13**

Cllr Lanyon as Chair of the GPPA & GPRA.

## **GPPA**

**06/14**

No joint meeting had taken place due to a misunderstanding, but the date of Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March was agreed on, at the Rovacabin 7.30pm.

The Clerk would issue agendas and notices.

## **WHEAL MAID**

**06/15**

The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Clerk had attended a meeting at County Hall to discuss possible ways forward. The County officers agreed that the problem was too big an issue for a Parish Council to tackle and wanted to take the lead in moving the matter forward, possibly identifying sites throughout the county where off-road bikers could pursue their recreation without causing nuisance in one particular area. A press statement to this effect had been published.

The Parish Council would be a part of these future meetings.

It was RESOLVED to erect gates at the Crofthandy Hill (coalyard) entrance to Wheal Maid, with Cllr Wharton purchasing the padlock and fitting it as soon as possible. This would allow access for the police vehicles that would have the combination of the lock. The Chairman would liaise with Paul Chegwidden to remove other boulders further into the site that currently prevented vehicular access.

After reviewing the effectiveness of the new gate, consideration would be given to a further one at the Hale Mills end of the valley.

## **FOOTPATHS**

**06/16**

1. There seemed little hope of the County taking action to resolve the surface problems on paths 53 and 55 therefore the Parish Council RESOLVED to use its powers under Section 137 to hire a JCB themselves.  
Before hiring the JCB, Cllrs Snell, Wharton and Lanyon would visit both sites to scope the action needed.
2. County Cllr Hichens made notes of the problems and would press the Countryside Access team to carry out urgent drainage work to the Little Beside site before we dealt with the surface. He would also raise the drainage problem further along path 53, where the drain running under the Crofthandy – Triplet road was blocked, causing quite a depth of flooding on the path.
3. Cllr Lanyon would approach the workmen currently laying the pavement on the St Day road with a view to obtaining some 'waste' material to infill potholes outside the chapel at Crofthandy.
4. Cllr Snell asked councillors to take a look at the Zimmapan end of footpath 54 before the next meeting. It was impassable because of water and mud.
5. Cllr Hichens made a note of fly tipping problems at Wheal Clifford and the parking area opposite Garlands Engine House. Parish councillors had already reported these, but the problems kept re-occurring. He would also mention Cllr Wharton's idea of siting a video camera to catch the offenders.

## **CUSGARNE SCHOOL.**

Cllr Lanyon had to leave the meeting early therefore there was no update on the heating and associated problems at the School.

## **STREET CLEANING / PLAYING FIELD**

**06/17**

1. Following the council's decision last month to look into going to tender for the joint street sweeping and Playing Field block cleaning duties, the clerk had received a letter of resignation from Mr Johns, who was not interested in continuing.

As an interim measure, the Chairman had found another person who was willing to step in, initially working on an ad-hoc basis to bring particular areas up to standard, following which the council would revisit the question of tendering.

2. The council now had an indication of cost to fit the new gates, and the Chairman would speak to Paul Chegwidden to see if he could do the work for a similar cost. Cllr Nicholls expressed an interest in purchasing the old gates.

3. The Clerk was asked to engage an electrician to carry out various works in the toilet / changing block. They would be asked to meet the Chairman on site initially.
4. Paul Chegwiddden would be asked to fix a piece of wood to the shelter, and remove the broken horse.
5. It was RESOLVED to replace the horse immediately as the insurers had agreed to pay. The Clerk would contact Taylor Made to set things in motion.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**06/18**

1. CRUSE Bereavement Care in Cornwall - grant application not supported.
2. CCC – mobile library service - new schedules for Gwennap Parish to be put on notice boards.
3. CCC – Local Maintenance Partnership - confirmation that footpath trimming grant had been approved.
4. CRCC – Best village competition 2006 - RESOLVED we would not be entering.
5. CCC – quotation for grass cutting, 2006 - RESOLVED to accept the CCC quote of £460 for next year.
6. CDC – Statement of Community involvement - report circulated for comment.
7. KDC - Statement of Community involvement - to note public consultation was being revisited.
8. Tony Mogford Associates – quarterly inspection report noted.
9. CDC – newsletter for Development Services received.
10. CDC - Official opening of Carrick’s Waste Education Centre - no one available to attend.
11. CDC - Ethical Governance briefing note - noted.
12. ROSPA - inspection warning - noted.
13. The Army - presentation evening - noted.
14. CCC - Annual Minerals & Waste Monitoring Report – letter received, report to follow.
15. Ruralnet UK reminder of annual subscription due. Councillors asked Clerk to speak to previous Clerk to ascertain the value of renewing.
16. CDC letter re. Poldice Valley meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March - Cllrs Irvin and Snell would attend.

## **PLANNING MATTERS**

**06/19**

### **Decision notices**

Planning Enforcement complaints schedule.

Withdrawal of planning application - GB & TH Pascoe, Cusgarne Wollas Conversion of barn

Mr & Mrs Grubb, Penventon Farm Nurseries. Retention of canopy to existing shop.	APPROVED
Consols Oils, United Downs Industrial Estate bio-diesel production & tool store	APPROVED
Mr & Mrs Monks, Cusgarne House (outbuildings) - reinstatement for holiday use	APPROVED
Mr & Mrs Monks, Cusgarne House - renovation for holiday letting units	APPROVED
CES Partnership, Unit 2A, United Downs Business Park - light industrial unit	APPROVED
Mr Dalton, Gilly Penrose, Gilly Farm - erection of stable for domestic use	APPROVED

### **New applications**

Appn Ref PA12/0064/06/R  
 Applicant John Dale  
 Location Geor Chapel, Gilly Vean, Gwennap  
 Development extension for utility room, cloakroom, garage  
 Grid Ref 173680/38740

### **SUPPORT**

Appn Ref PA12/2486/05/B  
 Applicant Cfs Partnerships  
 Location land adjacent to Unit A, United Downs Industrial Park, Phase 2  
 Development continued use of land for the temporary siting of containers and 1 security office  
 Grid Ref 174510/41440

### **SUPPORT**

Appn Ref OP12/0078/06/B  
 Applicant Colin Jose  
 Location Part Plot 23. United Industrial Park  
 Development 4 beehive type industrial units and landscaping  
 Grid Ref 174380/41520

### **SUPPORT**

Appn Ref PA12/0119/06/B  
 Applicant Clj Developments  
 Location land on United Downs Ind Park, Phase II, United Downs  
 Development erection of office/security building and layout of secure external storage compounds  
 Grid Ref 174150/41470

**SUPPORT**

Appn Ref PA12/0171/06/R  
 Applicant Mr & Mrs A Jory  
 Location The Old Slaughter Hall, Clifford Farm, Race Hill, Bissoe  
 Development conversion to dwelling (revision to permitted scheme)  
 Grid Ref 176550/41270

**SUPPORT**

**FINANCE**

**06/20**

**IT WAS RESOLVED (a)** to pay the following accounts: -

<b>CHEQUE NO.</b>	<b>TO WHOM</b>	<b>DETAIL</b>	<b>AMOUNT (£)</b>
100604	Carrick District Council	Dog bin emptying	201.63
100606	A Blamey	salary & expenses Jan, Feb	688.11
100607	M P Chegwidden	footpath & churchyard work	807.22
100608	VCWG ChurchHall Fund	hire of hall	15.00
100609	J Wharton	combination lock	35.00

**CLERKS CONTRACT**

**06/21**

It was RESOLVED to make the appointment of the Clerk permanent, following the initial 3-month probationary period.

**REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE**

**06/22**

It was RESOLVED to ask Paul Chegwidden to clear the leaves in Frogpool cemetery.

The Clerk would get a supply of dog fouling notices from Carrick to be used in various locations.

**CHAIRMANS URGENT BUSINESS**

**06/23**

The Chairman expressed dissatisfaction with the operation of Corlink in the Parish, and produced a comprehensive note that the Clerk would use in writing to the organisation. The main problem was that their call centre expected the caller to know the time and the departure point to get to their destination, whereas common sense suggested that this should be part of the service.

Signed.....  
 Chairman

23<sup>rd</sup> March 2006