

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT CROFTHANDY VILLAGE HALL ON 22nd February 2007

Those Present: Cllr. I Herbert (Chairman)
Cllr J Wharton (Vice Chairman)
Cllr. R. Snell
Cllr D Squibb

In attendance County Councillor Hichens
District Councillor Whiteley
District Councillor Banks
Alan Blamey - Clerk

Apologies Cllr Ivey, Cllr Nicholls

Also present : Paul Millett, Mrs Lawer, Mrs Luscombe, PCSO Vincent, PC Filkins

PARISHIONERS' DISCUSSION

1. Mrs Luscombe wanted the fly tipping removed from Kimberley Cottage Lane where the County Council has since erected a barrier preventing Team Clean from dealing with it. The Clerk explained that the County Council were aware of the problem and had promised to clear the area in the near future.
2. Mrs Lawer came to complain about the kissing gate erected at Wheal Maid across the access to footpath 43. She could not negotiate her pushchair through the angled gate. This would be taken up with the County Council and some modification requested.
3. PCSO Vincent and PC Filkins gave an update on police activity during the past month. There had been 6 reported incidents and a wide variety of calls to their enquiry centre. Their comments on Wheal Maid appear later in the minutes.
4. They also spoke of a new police initiative, the "Partners and Communities Together – PACT", which was going to be introduced to improve the neighbourhood communications. There would be short meetings half an hour before normal Parish Council meetings to encourage partnership working.
5. Paul Millett had been asked by residents what was happening with the travellers camp at Pulla Bridge and the Old Carnon Hill possible closure. He had also been to the Playing Field with the Clerk to examine the large oaks behind the changing block, where the neighbour had expressed some concern.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

07/144

none.

MINUTES.

07/145

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as an accurate record.

ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES.

07/146

1. Cllr Whiteley spoke of a former District Councillor, Margaret Garland, who lived in the Parish and had recently lost her husband and young grandchild. It was RESOLVED to send a letter of condolence from the Parish Council.
2. A planning application had been received from the Travellers at Pulla Bridge, but because it was incomplete it had been returned .
3. The surface works on byway 47 at Chapel Lane, Crofthandy were still awaiting the road scalplings from County resurfacing works in Truro. There had been responses to the Council's letter to residents, mainly around drainage issues and these would be taken into consideration when works started. As previous minutes

had not specifically resolved to spend Section 137 monies on this project, Cllr Snell made a formal proposition which was carried unanimously, so it was RESOLVED that the Parish Council incurs this expenditure.

4. It had been noticed that Kensa Engineering were carrying out considerable works to buildings on the Mount Wellington site yet we had not received their planning application for comments yet.
5. The saga of the "School" sign at Cusgarne had been taken up again by Cllr Hichens with the CCC Surveyor, and our Chairman passed to him photos of the hidden sign for further back-up.
6. The Chairman would be collecting the Toppletester from Lanner Council in the near future so that Paul Chegwiddden could carry out the safety checks on grave stones at Gwennap Churchyard.

WHEAL MAID

07/147

1. The Clerk gave a verbal report following a phone call from Joe Ryan from the Environmental Agency. Most testing had been carried out, with the culvert still to be surveyed. The E.A. were meeting with their Consultants in late March following which a draft report would be issued.
2. The Mineral Tramways Heritage Project were working with the County Conveyancing Team to prepare the permissive agreement but had a problem obtaining the funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund. They needed a 25 year lease arrangement with us to cover the trail surface area. They were prepared to insert a clause that allowed the Parish Council or County Council to close the path for safety or maintenance reasons by serving notice.
It was RESOLVED that this request be granted.
3. It seemed the proposed protest rally by bikers planned for 3rd March was still going ahead, despite meetings between the motorcycle organisers, police and County Council. Further meetings were planned, but PC Filkins confirmed that if the rally were to be held, there would be a strong police presence.
4. Mike Hawkey had also confirmed the County were pro-active in their attempts to prevent the event. The Clerk will write to him enclosing a press cutting from the Trail Riders Fellowship (TRF) which he might like to liaise with as they seemed to be a responsible organisation.
5. Cllr Snell asked whether the Parish Council should be present on the day of the rally, but it was considered to serve no purpose. We had the police present, and that should be enough.
6. The Clerk produced a Press Statement for agreement, giving the Parish Council's viewpoint on the issues connected with the valley. Following slight amendment, it was RESOLVED it be forwarded to the West Briton for inclusion alongside any rally report they published.

INSURANCE CLAIMS

07/148

1. Zurich had confirmed the replacement of the second rocker in the children's play Area, and the Clerk is liaising with Taylor Made to supply and fit.
2. The claim for the wooden gates is still pending, but if successful they will require sight of the invoice before paying out. The Council has to decide, therefore, whether to proceed with the claim. It was RESOLVED that in the event of Zurich agreeing to the claim, that we would reinstate the wooden type gates which looked much better than the stop-gap metal ones which would then be sold on.

CORRESPONDENCE

07/149

1. CCC Surveyor had agreed to look at the growth of the hedgerow alongside the footway to St Day from Crofthandy.
2. CCC Area Surveyor - confirmation of work to clear the drain off Triplet Road.
3. CCC Spatial Planning - Annual Minerals & Waste Mon. Report 2005/06. Noted.
4. CDC Chief Exec - Local Authority Structures. Noted.
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6. Frogpool/Cusgarne Football Club had paid the pitch rental for the season 2005/06.
7. CCC Environ & Heritage - Local Maintenance Partnership 2006/07, payment in respect of 2006 trimming had been received.
8. CDC Development Control - Design Award Scheme 2007. Noted.
- 9i Feock P.Council - Roads and Transport issues in Carnon Downs. A comprehensive reply had been received to our enquiry regarding the potential closure of Old Carnon Hill. If the matter proceeded to Statutory Public Consultation, adjoining Parishes would be contacted for their views.

- 9ii Mrs Minns had written to inform the Council that she had forwarded a petition of 245 signatures to Cllr Hichens, and had contacted the local District Councillors for their support.
- 10 CCC Network Services - Temporary Road Closure, Gwennap – Sunny Corner. Noted
- 11 CCC Network Services - Temporary Road Closure, Trehaddle. Noted.
- 12 CCC Network Services - Temporary Road Closure, Gwennap – Little Trevince. Noted.
- 13 CAPTC - Local Government Act 1972, section 137 – increase to £5.64 per elector recommended. Noted.
- 14 Carharrack Parish Council minutes of 22nd January 2007 . Noted.
- 15 CCC Commercial Services - It was RESOLVED to accept their grass cutting quotation OF £485 for 2007 for the Playing Field, but a request would be made that they did not cut the field immediately before Car Boot Sales as the grass cuttings were a nuisance.

MINING LEAFLETS

07/150

1. It was RESOLVED to use 'King Harry's Cornwall' to distribute and display 2,000 of the Gwennap Mining leaflets. The cost was £100 per thousand.

PLANNING.

07/151

February 2007 Planning Matters

NEW APPLICATIONS

Appn Ref PA12/0128/07/B
 Applicant Mr I Nicholls
 Location In Steel, United Downs Industrial Park
 Development proposed store building
 Grid Ref 174360/41460

SUPPORT.

Appn Ref PA12/0002/07/R
 Applicant Mr & Mrs Hodgson
 Location Sunnyside Cottage, Frogpool
 Development proposed single storey extension to rear and erection of wind turbine to gable wall
 Grid Ref 176210/40160

SUPPORT.

Appn Ref PA12/0097/07/B
 Applicant C L J Developments
 Location United Downs Industrial Park
 Development substitution of site office building layout of secure external compound area
 Grid Ref 174150/41470

SUPPORT.

Appn Ref OP12/0094/07/R
 Applicant Gary Tresidder
 Location between Perranwell Station and Bissoe
 Development construction of detached 4/5 bedroom dwelling
 Grid Ref 177230/40830

NOT SUPPORTED.

OTHER PLANNING.

1. For information only : Mr & Mrs Ware, United View, United Road – erection of a conservatory planning application changed to “application for a certificate of lawful use or development”.
2. For information only : Mrs K Statham for Mineral Tramways - planning application changed to “certificate of lawfulness for proposed works to 8 shafts at Wheal Fortune & 1 at Cusvey and works to 2 engine houses and 1 chimney”
3. Confirmation from Carrick District Council of Tree Preservation Order at Primrose Cottage, Carharrack

4. CCC additional information regarding application by S.W.Water for pumping station on western fringes of landfill site.

DECISION NOTICES.

1. Mr & Mrs L Ware, United View, United Road - erection of rear extension to bungalow
APPROVED
2. Mr & Mrs Lloyd, 5 Chellean Vean, Frogpool - utility room replacement
APPROVED

FOOTPATHS

07/152

1. The state of the access to footpath 54 at Zimmapan from the B3298 was to be reported to Countryside Access. The makeshift stile was not of the required size or standard and the whole area needed tidying.

FINANCE

07/153

Accounts.

IT WAS RESOLVED to pay the following accounts: -

CHEQUE NO.	TO WHOM	DETAIL	AMOUNT (£)
100689	M P Chegwidden	groundworks	982.88
100690	Swintex Ltd	litter bins	274.95
100691	Carrick District Council	dog bin emptying	216.29
100692	A Blamey	office sundries, climbing rope	146.98
100693	Cornwall County Council	grass cutting	540.50

REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

07/154

Rubbish and fly tipping continued to be a problem. The footpath alongside the slaughterhouse still had some fly tipping to be removed and the Gwennap road and Carn View itself needed attention.

Signed.....
Chairman

22nd March 2007