

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT FROGPOOL CHAPEL ROOMS ON 19th JUNE 2008

Present.	Cllr I Herbert (Chairman) , Cllr R Snell, Cllr R Humble, Cllr Padmore & Cllr Squibb
In attendance	Alan Blamey - Clerk
Apologies	PCSO Boyle, Cllr Furnish, Cllr McInnes
Also present :	PCSO Vague, Abigail Bates, County Cllr Hichens

PRAYERS.

The Chairman opened the meeting with prayers and a minute's silence in respect of Paul Millett who had died earlier in the week. Paul had served the Parish Council for many years as a Councillor, and more latterly as our Tree Warden. He would be sorely missed, and a card of sympathy was signed by those present to be sent to his family.

PUBLIC CLINIC

1. Abigail Bates had written to the Council enclosing a petition signed by many residents of Little Beside asking for measures to be taken to reduce speeding through the village. The Clerk had forwarded this on to the Area Surveyor for comment, but he was unable to suggest anything, indeed, most of the ideas did not fit with County Council criteria.
Cllr Hichens had also spoken with the Area Surveyor and received similar refusals but will continue the fight on our behalf. There seems no logic behind why Little Beside is a 40mph limit whereas the adjacent roads are 30 mph. The Surveyor felt Little Beside was not large enough to be classified as a village, but Ms Bates produced Government guidelines indicating that 20 dwellings constituted a village and Little Beside qualified under this criteria.
2. PCSO Vague was deputising for PCSO Boyle. He gave copies of the police report on activity for the past month. Interestingly, complaints in respect of motorised nuisance at Wheal Maid has decreased after several police operations on site.
3. PCSO Vague took a note of the forthcoming fete at the school and would provide a presence at some point over the 4 hour period.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

08/026

Cllr Humble on any relevant Trehaddle traveller topic.

Cllr Padmore on anything SITA related.

PREVIOUS MINUTES.

08/ 027

It was RESOLVED that the previous minutes be signed as a correct record of events.

ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES.

08/028

1. Carrick enforcement had now received a copy of the WHEN report on the caravan site at Trehaddle. It was now awaiting Carrick legal team's advice on how to proceed.
2. Another suggestion was made to find the wooden flower troughs required for the Playing Field which the Clerk would follow up.
3. The Clerk would contact the County Council to inform them that the chain was missing from the gated entrance to their land opposite the Industrial Estate.

WHEAL MAID

08/ 029

1. The culvert survey was now complete, and the latest area covered was of a similar good quality to the original. A report was now awaited from AMEC.
2. The Environment Agency were experiencing staff shortages which was delaying the work on the feasibility study.
3. The County Council was actively looking at signage to indicate what was permitted in their woodland at the top of the valley.

SITA ISSUES

08/030

1. The agenda had been received for the United Mines Liaison Group, but we had to tender our apologies as it was being held this evening at the same time as our Council meeting.
2. The W.I. had sent a copy of a letter from SITA following their attempts to have the road verges repaired and the windblown litter. It followed similar lines to the reply we received earlier.
3. Following the letter from the County Council last month regarding the proposal by SITA to extend the life of the Landfill Site by up to two years, the Parish Council had included a separate letter with their quarterly Newsletter requesting replies from those who had views.
To date, the Clerk has received 64 replies - 45 against any extension, 19 in favour of exploring the cash offer which accompanied the extension. (70% against.)
It was RESOLVED on a unanimous vote that Gwennap Parish Council presses for the closure of the landfill site at the planned date of October 2010.
The Clerk would write to Carharrack and St Day Parish Councils with this news and also the offer to meet with them if they felt it would be of benefit.
4. The Clerk had been copied in to an exchange of correspondence between SITA and Cllr Kaczmarek over dust and litter problems.

CORRESPONDENCE

08/031

- 1 The Clerk had previously sent Councillors the most recent "One Cornwall" update. This was accompanied by an executive summary of recent meetings, and the results of a Parish & Town Council Survey.
- 2 There were several meetings on topics related to the new Council coming up in the next month. The Clerk will attend the one most appropriate to the Parish Council.
- 3 Carrick had sent their Open Spaces Draft Strategy for comment. The Clerk will deal with this.
- 4 The results of the recent election of Parish representatives to the Standards Committee were advised by Carrick.
- 5 Highways had informed the Council of the temporary closure (to through traffic) of Tresamble Hill on 14th July. This was normal on Stithians Show day.
- 6 Carrick had confirmed the places available for the Planning Training on 17th July.
- 7 The W.I. had copied us in on the reply from the Divisional Surveyor regarding the Cusgarne School Speedvisor. It seemed unlikely that, given the results, that it would be re-positioned anywhere else along the roads leading to the school.
- 8 The minutes of Carharrack Parish Council's meeting of 19th May were noted.
- 9 Follett Stock had written to confirm closure of the Permissive Path Agreement file.

PLANNING

08/032

NEW APPLICATIONS

Appn Ref PA12/0980/08/R
Applicant Mr & Mrs Willcocks, Pencoose Farmhouse, Burncoose
Development detached domestic garage
Grid Ref 174440/39360

SUPPORT.

Appn Ref PA12/0966/08/R
Applicant Mr & Mrs Datson, Riverside, Point Mills, Bissoe
Development demolish existing domestic garage, erect replacement garage/workshop
Grid Ref 176910/41320

SUPPORT.

Appn Ref PA12/0948/08/M
Applicant BQD Ltd, Plot 1e, United Downs Industrial Estate
Development erection of 7 industrial/warehouse units
Grid Ref

SUPPORT.

Appn Ref PA12/1068/08/R
Applicant Mr T Jones, Trevarth Manor, Gwennap
Development replace corrugated sheet flat roof garage with pitched roof
Grid Ref 173800/40060

SUPPORT.

DECISION NOTICES RECEIVED FROM CARRICK

Mr J Tonkin, United Downs Ind. Estate - storage & recovery of vehicles. APPROVED.

Mrs E Bray, Oak Apple Cottage, Poldice Lane, Crofthandy - single storey extension. APPROVED

REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

08/033

1. The Clerk reported the Council’s printer had ceased to work. He had purchased a replacement following a discussion with the Chair and Vice Chair. It was RESOLVED to ratify this decision and he was given permission to dispose of the broken one.
2. The Portakabin floor seemed to be very weak in places. The Clerk was instructed to get advice from a builder to assess the overall ‘health’ of the building.
3. The Chairman had removed the ropes from the climbing wall to adapt them following a safety report.
4. The Clerk had the necessary diagrams for the support bars required for the disabled toilet. He would purchase the equipment and then get a builder to install them.

FOOTPATH MATTERS

08/034

1. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk locates the pipes under the ford at Trehaddle and engages specialists to blow them free from silt.

FINANCE

08/035

1. It was RESOLVED that the following cheques be signed:

CHEQUE NO.	PAYEE	DETAIL	AMOUNT(£)
100793	CALC	annual subscription	£327.69
100794	K Furnish	Newsletter printing & website fee	£467.76
100795	Brewers Business Solutions	stationery	£41.19
100796	Cornwall & Devon Media Ltd	car boot adverts	£35.26
100797	A Blamey	salary / expenses qtr to 30/06	£1436.99
100798	HM Revenue & Customs	income tax	£237.63
100799	M P Chegwidden	groundworks	£1448.77
100800	L Moody	cleaning	£118.88

2. Income had been received since the last meeting of :- £350 Cusgarne Football Club rent : £100 Burial charges : £54 advertising in Newsletter : £106.93 Car Boot income.
3. The bank mandate was signed by those Councillors present to amend the signatories to include Cllrs Padmore and McInnes.

CHAIRMANS URGENT BUSINESS

08/036

1. The Chairman felt that there should be some Parish Council input to the forthcoming Community Fete to be held at the school on Saturday 28th June. It was RESOLVED that prizes (book tokens?) up to a value of £25 be offered at a meeting to be attended by the Chairman and Cllr Squibb.
2. Cllr Snell confirmed the dates for the next meetings of the Mineral Tramways, Historic Churchyards and Mining Villages. This was to enable other Councillors to attend as well, to get a feel for this aspect of the Council’s business.

Signed.....
Chairman

24th July 2008