

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT FROGPOOL CHAPEL ROOMS ON 20th MAY 2010

Present. , Cllr Furnish (Chairman), Cllr Humble , Cllr P Roscorla, Cllr Barton

Apologies Cllr Snell, Cllr Padmore, The Police

Also present : Mr Reburn, Mr Bawden

PUBLIC CLINIC

1. The Police were unable to attend, but had sent their monthly update on matters relating to the parish. Reported crime was down from seven to two compared with the same period last year. Horse owners were encouraged to postcode their horse blankets and PCSO Gamble wanted horse owners interested in joining a Horse Watch scheme to contact her.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN & VICE CHAIRMAN

10/012

It was proposed by Cllr Humble, seconded by Cllr Roscorla that Cllr Furnish continues as Chairman. He accepted.
It was proposed by Cllr Roscorla, seconded by Cllr Barton that Cllr Humble be re-elected. He accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

10/013

1. Cllr Furnish declared a personal interest in Wheal Maid issues.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

10/014 The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted and signed as a true record

MATTERS ARISING.

10/015 There were no matters arising not covered by the agenda

WHEAL MAID

10/016

1. The Clerk had replaced several signs during his monthly inspection of the valley.
2. The Environment Agency had written to say that they would hopefully be able to make final recommendations in the next few weeks.

CORRESPONDENCE

10/017

1. Cornwall Council had published the Public Path Order confirming the alteration to part of Bridleway 29 where the new pumping station at Sparry Lane had been built.
2. Area Highway Manager had replied to various highway concerns. He would be addressing the poor road surface from Greensplatt to Frogpool and outside the Cemetery at Frogpool. The gulleys in the Hicks Mill area were on the maintenance schedule, and he would put a SLOW sign at the bottom of Cusgarne Hill just before the school. The introduction of a 20mph limit at the school was not possible because of no budget provision.
3. The Mining Villages Regeneration minutes of meeting held on 18th March & agenda for next meeting were noted.
4. Cornwall Council had set out their plans for gypsies and travellers, their accommodation requirements and site provision in the future.
5. Came & Company Insurance had written confirming the additional premium for the new building. It would become effective from 1st June 2010. It was RESOLVED to pay this premium.
6. Cornwall Council had revised their protocol to planning consultations on applications. It was no longer automatic that when the Parish Council strongly disagreed with the planning officer that the matter would be taken to full committee. There were new 'hurdles' to overcome before that could now happen. The Clerk is to check whether our local member is prepared to become involved in any dispute that may arise. As Chair of the Strategic planning, it might compromise his position, but it would leave us without representation when we might most need it.
7. Cornwall Council was holding a series of local council planning training events in 2010/2011. The Clerk would send the details to each Councillor and if they were interested, he would book the appropriate date.
8. Cornwall Council had advised of the temporary road closure at Cusgarne Bridge for strengthening from 23/7 to 01/09. This message would be put into the next newsletter as it would affect quite a few parishioners.
9. SITA - Notes from United Mines Liaison Meeting of 25th March were received.

10. A copy of the SITA Press Release re. Transfer Station at Pool was noted. If successful, it would remove the possibility of the transfer station being sited at United.
11. The Cornwall Council Town & Parish Newsletter for May 2010 had been received.
12. The Mining Villages Community Network agenda for meeting of 20th May was noted. Our apologies had been made as it was on the same day as our meeting.

PLANNING

10/018

Planning Applications received for comment:

Dealt with already by sub committee:

1. Mr S Matthews, 6 Carn View Estate, Gwennap - erection of single dwelling SUPPORT.
2. Tonkin's Recovery, United Downs Ind. Estate - change of use for MOT Station SUPPORT

For discussion at this meeting:

Ms S Quinney, Arley Cottage, Cusvey - two storey side and rear extension and increase ridge height SUPPORT.

OUTSIDE MEETINGS FEEDBACK

10/019

1. Cllr Roscorla had attended the recent Fete Committee meeting. The transport arrangements may have to be revisited due to Irvin's ill health, but otherwise, things were coming together.
2. The Clerk and Cllrs Humble and Roscorla had attended the Geothermal sound simulation event held at United Downs on Friday 7th May. There was a large turnout of local residents who expressed their disappointment at the simulation attempt. There was also a considerable weight of opposition to the planning proposal, the general feeling being that the Company had not answered any of the technical questions satisfactorily. There were still question marks against the noise levels, disturbance/damage from seismic events and gasses or contamination leaching from the adjacent refuse site. We had pointed this out in a letter to Planning following the simulation event, and they had contacted Cllr Plummer who had suggested all parties be invited to the Council "public site inspection" meeting when it was held.
3. Cllrs Furnish, Roscorla and Padmore, plus the Clerk had met with the GPRA at their request, to hear why they would not release the £10,000+ balance held in the GPRA account towards the new Parish Rooms building. The money had been raised over many years and was restricted by Trust Deed to be spent on maintaining the playing field, yet the GPRA members did not feel the new project was an appropriate expense. They also refused to fund the new goalposts or the repairs following a burst pipe. The meeting ended without any agreement. As there should be three nominated Parish Councillors on the GPRA, the Clerk was instructed to write to their secretary naming Cllrs Furnish, Padmore and Roscorla as the representatives.

REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

10/020

Mineral Tramways meetings - Cllr Snell and the Clerk (Cllr Roscorla also expressed an interest and could also attend)

Mining Village Community Group - Cllr Furnish & the Clerk

GPPA - Cllrs Padmore, Humble and Roscorla, with the Clerk in attendance

SITA Liaison Group - Cllr Humble and the Clerk

Wheal Maid Liaison Group - all

Internal Finance check - Cllr Padmore

FOOTPATHS

10/021

1. The trimming season had begun, and Councillors were asked to report to the Clerk any paths that needed attention. There was a programme in place, but it could be amended to deal with paths that needed immediate work.

PARISH ROOMS AND PLAYING FIELD UPDATE

10/022

1. The new building is now virtually finished, with only the plumbing and some minor electrical works to be done.
2. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk arranges casual labour to complete ancillary works like exterior & interior painting of the old building toilets and the refurbishment of the picnic tables.
3. The Clerk would submit the second claim for the next stage of the SITA grant. The final application would be made after SITA had visited the site to inspect the completed work.
4. As soon as the contractor had finished on site, the Clerk would arrange for Councillors to visit for 'snagging' .
5. The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with the GPPA to discuss the future catering arrangements.
6. A discussion took place on future hiring arrangements, and it was agreed that the Clerk should hold the keys and initially make arrangements with prospective hirers.
7. A date would be inserted in the next newsletter inviting interested parishioners to take a look around the new building. This would be on a car boot Sunday, probably the 4th July, and the family of the late Richard Jory would be invited to plant a tree to mark the official open the building.
8. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk orders 10 tables and 35 chairs for the new building along the lines of brochures studied at the meeting.

FINANCE

10/023

1. Income has been received since the last meeting of; Car Boot takings (£12.50,£43.50,£50.50), Logs advert (£42), Financial Services advert (£90), DMC-IT advert (£12), Cwll Council bus shelter (£2497.62), VAT rebate (£5224.11), Barnicoat burial (£310)
2. The Clerk's salary/expenses were to remain at the same level for the second consecutive year.
3. The burial fees for Frogpool Cemetery were increased by approximately 5% for parishioners, and 10% for non-parishioners. This is the first increase since June 2008.
4. The rate for casual labour remained unchanged.
5. It was RESOLVED to sign the following cheques for payment:

Cheque number	payee	service	value
<i>Project Account:</i>			
100006	Abbey Builders	Stage payments 4&5	£24,675.00
<i>Normal Account:</i>			
100948	Cornwall Council	dog bin emptying	£228.48
100949	A&N Media Finance	2 car boot adverts	£39.95
100950	M P Chegwidden	grass cutting/footpaths	£1,357.12
100951	A Blamey	expenses '01/04 - 20/05	£656.57

Signed..... Chairman

17th June 2010