

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON 19th MAY 2011

Present.	Cllr Furnish (Chairman), Cllr Humble (Vice Chairman), Cllr Roscorla, Cllr Evans, Cllr Lanyon
Apologies	Cllrs Barton & Padmore, PCSO Gamble
Also present :	Mrs Medlyn, Mr Bawden, Mr Withey, Mr Snell, Mrs Roscorla

PUBLIC CLINIC

1. The Clerk gave the report from the Police that PCSO Gamble had sent. Reported crime was 3 incidents, slightly higher than last year. Seventeen calls had been made to the Force Enquiry Centre relating to our Parish.
2. Mr Bawden reported Japanese Knotweed in a meadow at Trehaddle. The Clerk explained that as it was not on the highway or footpath, Cornwall Council would not treat it. However, he would take a look to see if there was any room for manoeuvre.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

10/158

It was proposed by Cllr Humble, seconded by Cllr Roscorla, that Cllr Furnish remains as Chairman. There being no alternative proposal, Cllr Furnish accepted and took the Chair.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

10/159

It was proposed by Cllr Roscorla, seconded by Cllr Evans that Cllr Humble remains as Vice-Chairman. There were no other proposals. Cllr Humble agreed to continue as Vice-Chairman.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

10/160

Cllr Furnish declared an interest in the planning, as he had a personal planning application on the agenda.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

10/161

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING.

10/162

1. The granite stones were being moved from Cllr Snell's yard this week.
2. Cllr Humble had found that the pothole direct number is 0300 1234 222
3. Cllr Lanyon had spoken to the builder who was making the changes to the changing rooms and he hoped to start in the near future.

CORRESPONDENCE

10/163

1. Cornwall Council had advised of the temporary road closure at Trehaddle from 9th-13th May whilst a mains water supply was connect to a property. Since then, the Clerk has written to Highways to complain about the broken bollards and dangerous state the road has been left in. They are following it up.
2. Cornwall Council are promoting a renewable energy conference and exhibition on 28th July
3. Cornwall Council Enforcement Section are looking into the caravans at Tresamble Moor
4. The Street Litter report for May 2011 was noted.
5. The Wheal Maid monthly inspection report was noted.
6. Tony Mogford Associates quarterly inspection of play equipment had been received. The two new items raised would be investigated.
7. Cornwall Association of Local Council's annual subscription renewal proposal for £359.68 was RESOLVED to be accepted.

8. The Environment Agency final reports on Wheal Maid remediation were received. Cornwall Council had written to request a formal letter from the Council to enable them to apply for a grant towards the necessary signage. It was RESOLVED to accept their suggested wording and for the Clerk to reply accordingly.
9. Cornwall Council Legal Services had notified us of the intention to make a Tree Preservation Order on the screening trees at Mount Wellington. Noted.
10. BT had written with information on how to adopt a kiosk, with the one at Pulla Cross being the one in question. For £1 the Parish Council could purchase it and maintain it in future, and could turn it into whatever they liked. This had been raised before, and the potential costs highlighted by Cllr Humble were again pointed out. It was agreed not to take up the offer to adopt the kiosk, but it would be mentioned in the next newsletter to see if anyone had any other ideas that outweighed this decision.
11. A request for assistance from a resident at Treneglos with parking difficulties was discussed. The Clerk produced letters and photographs that the resident had given him, and explained the history behind the problems. After discussion, it was decided that this was beyond the remit of a Parish Council. The correct authority was the Police, and the Clerk was asked to write to remind them of their obligations and also to visit the area whenever on patrol in the village. The issue of yellow lines was not thought to be a practical solution as it would disadvantage many residents whilst helping this particular household.

LOCALISM BILL

10/164

Nothing new to report.

PLANNING

10/165

Plans received from Cornwall Council for comment.

1. Mr & Mrs Cornish, Pine Trees, Trewelm Lane, Crofthandy – works to 3no. Monterey Pines - it was decided to leave the decision on this to Cornwall Council's experts.
2. Mr & Mrs K Furnish, Hale Mills Cottage, Twelveheads - single storey extension to rear, and listed building consent. As this was an application from the Chairman of the Council, he took no part in the discussions, leaving the room while the application was debated. It was AGREED to support the application.

Decision Notices received back from Cornwall Council - none.

REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

10/166

1. Cllr Roscorla had attended the Fete meeting. A poster would be supplied for the next newsletter, and park-and-ride would operate from the Playing Field on a shuttle basis.
2. Cllr Lanyon mentioned that the AGM of the GPRA would be held on 27th June.

REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE GROUPS

10/167

Geothermal Liaison Group - Cllr Furnish (Cllr Lanyon will deputise)

Mining Villages & Community Network - Cllr Humble & the Clerk

GPPA - Cllrs Roscorla, Humble and Padmore

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SITA Liaison - Cllr Humble & the Clerk (Cllr Lanyon will deputise)

Internal Audit - Cllr Padmore

Fete Committee - Cllrs Roscorla and Evans

REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

10/168

1. The Clerk would ask Paul Chegwidden to fill the depression outside the Rooms with topsoil and grass seed.
2. The Clerk would ask SITA to sweep the external roads at the Landfill Site as well as water them with a bowser.
3. The bus shelter at Crofthandy would be looked at to see what damage had occurred, and how to repair it.
4. The item of equipment found in the cemetery had not been claimed, so it would be mentioned in the newsletter to trace the owner.
5. Cllr Lanyon raised the problem of the timing of grass cutting on the football pitch. At certain times it was felt to be too long as the cutting cycle didn't seem to fit with any pattern. If the Clerk was notified, he would phone the Council to get them to cut it asap, but the overall contract did leave the frequency with the contractor.

FOOTPATH / ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

10/169

1. The Clerk had received a query regarding footpath 307/6/1 from Geor to Crosspost Farm on the border with Stithians Parish. He had visited the Gwennap end, but would now look at the problem from the Stithians end and report back to the next meeting. It was possible that if all the land concerned was in the same ownership that a slight deviation could be agreed if necessary, where it crossed overgrown woodland.

PROJECTS FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE PARISH

10/170

The Chairman explained why this item had been placed on the agenda. He was keen to raise the profile of the Parish Council whilst adding value to parish life. This could be taking part in existing events such as the Street Market or Fete, or carrying out specific projects.

Several ideas were put forward, and the Chairman would consolidate these and put them into a shared document. He would also include the idea in his Chairman’s piece in the next newsletter.

FINANCE

10/171

1. It was RESOLVED that the fees at Frogpool Cemetery would remain the same for the next year.
2. The Clerk’s salary/expenses had remained the same for the past three years. A 3% increase was RESOLVED w.e.f. 1st June 2011.
3. Similarly, the rate for casual labour would increase by 3% from the same date.
4. Income had been received since the last meeting of £45 Rooms hire (3 x £15 Boogie Buddies) and £320 Football Club ground rent.
5. Cheques were authorised for signature in respect of:-

Cheque number	payee	service	value
101029	Cwll Assn of Local Councils	annual subscription	£359.68
101030	R Cook	street sweeping	£89.16
101031	A&N Media Finance	adverts	£51.00
101032	A Blamey	expenses reimbursement	£347.47
101033	Gwennap Parish Comm. Projs.	Grant towards Fete Band	£100.00
101034	M P Chegwiddden	contract cutting	£1,278.00
101035	L Moody	P.Field duties	£102.16

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

10/172

The rent payable by the Football Club for the use of facilities.

Signed..... Chairman 16th June2011