

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON 16th FEBRUARY 2012

Present. Cllr Furnish (Chairman), Cllr Humble (Vice Chairman), Cllr Roscorla, Cllr Padmore, Cllr Evans, Cllr Barton

Apologies

Also present : Mr & Mrs Medlyn, Mr Bawden, Mr Reburn

PUBLIC CLINIC

1. Mrs Medlyn thanked the Parish Council for arranging the delivery of the road planings. They had been used to infill the potholes in Goongumpas Lane. It was understood that the residents were holding a further meeting to discuss the possible tarmacing of the land, but that was a matter for the residents, not the Council.
2. The Clerk has asked Highways to clear the footway from Crofthandy to St Day crossroads, and to sweep the gutter where the build up of mud caused problems to pedestrians in wet conditions.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

11/250 nil

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

11/251

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

MATTERS ARISING.

11/252

1. The Clerk had placed footpath signs at either end of Footpath 54/5 at Little Beside.
2. The Chairman had confirmed with Cllr Lanyon that the vehicle on land at Poldice was owned by the Poldice Valley Trust. He will be removing it. The matter of fencing posts was unclear, with no further progress.
3. The Chairman reported that it was anticipated that the matter of parked cars on footpath 54/5 would be resolved between neighbours.
4. The Clerk and Cllr Humble had fixed the new litter bin at Frogpool Cemetery and removed the Dog Bin. Paul Chegwiddden had already replaced the broken post with a new one.
5. Cornwall Council had supplied a lorry load of planings for the Goongumpas area. Mr Medlyn had met the transport on site to sort out where it was needed.
Following an initial meeting by residents of the lane, a further meeting was to be held to discuss the pothole problem, but hopefully the Council's arrangement would help the situation.
6. Cornwall Council had held their Bus Service meeting and agreed steps to help the provision of bus services. However, Western Greyhound, who ran services through Crofthandy and Frogpool/Gwennap were giving up some routes that served these villages. First had agreed to take them over, but some timetable changes were likely, but as yet, unknown. The changes will commence from 1st April, and if details are known, they will appear in the forthcoming Newsletter.
7. The Chairman hoped to fit the freezer and hot water boiler in the next week. It was RESOLVED that he be reimbursed for fixing and fitting required.
8. The Church path problem had been discussed with a Church representative. They will see if the probation service would do the preparatory work and spread the gravel if the Council would pay for it. The whole path from the bottom gate to the Church door needed attention, as there were slippery areas where spraying had been carried out.
9. It was RESOLVED that the Jubilee Mug order be amended from 250 to 300. This followed the Vice Chairman and Chairman looking at census numbers that indicated a higher number of youths than originally thought.

CORRESPONDENCE

11/253

1. The Wheal Maid Inspection report for February was noted.
2. The Mining Villages minutes of a meeting held on 2nd February were received.
3. Cornwall Association of Local Councils (CALC) had written advising of the new Section 137 limit for 2012/13. At £6.80 it would mean a limit of £8,588 to this Council.
4. The Information Commissioner's Office had written with confirmation of our Data Protection renewal
5. A letter from Cornwall Council on Code of Conduct procedures explained that they were still awaiting details of the new regulations. Transition to the new regime could not take place until these details are known.

6. Cornwall Council had advised of a temporary road closure from the Cornish Arms to Greensplatt from 25th February to the 9th March for improvements to the surface. The Clerk will remind Western Greyhound of the closure, suggesting they drop down from the Chapel to the Pub to pick up those waiting there.
7. The Litter report for February was noted.

PLANNING

11/254

Planning Applications received to date:

PA12/00416 Mr & Mrs Penna, Barn conversion – Barn North of Sunnyside, Tresamble Hill, Pulla Cross (already dealt with due to time constraints) **SUPPORT**

PA12/01102 Mr R Drew, Harmony Cottage, Goongumpas - change of use of garages to form annexe accommodation **SUPPORT**

Decision notices received back from Cornwall Council.

PA11.09906 Mr House, Mill Cottage, Trehaddle - extension **APPROVED**

PA11/10809 Mr B Rowe, Lower Tolgullow Vean Farms - discharge of conditions. **DISCHARGED**

PA11/10120 Mr Darlington, Chy Vounder, Coombe Lane, Bissoe - tree works **APPROVED**

PA11/09860 Mr Chapman, The Yard, Trehaddle - retention of live/work unit **APPROVED**

Other planning

The Core Strategy was discussed, with Cllr Humble explaining the comments made at the recent Mining Villages Group. The Clerk was asked to send around to Councillors the reply from Lanner that encapsulated many of our views. As part of the Mining Villages Group, their submission would cover us as well.

COUNCILLORS REPORT ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS

11/255

1. The Clerk and Cllr Humble had attended the Mining Villages meeting of 2nd February. Progress continued to be made to the Mining Trails Enhancement Project. It was hoped that a spin-off of Audio Trails would feature either the Poldice or Wheal Maid Valleys.
Discussions took place debating the Core Strategy, changes to the Fire Service in the Redruth area and funding for rural bus services.
2. Cllr Humble had attended the Community Network meeting on 2nd February where issues including the Core Strategy, LMP Update, Cory Waste Contract and a Neighbourhood Services update. The Clerk is writing to enquire whether the street cleansing grant will be available in 2012, given the changes taking place.
3. Cllr Roscorla had attended the Fete meeting. It was unclear whether the school were supporting the fete as they had not attended the meetings. Cllr Roscorla would endeavour to speak to school representatives to find out. There was felt to be a need to provide more attractions at the fete to make it a success, and it was **AGREED** that if some groups/attractions needed financially persuading, then the Parish Council could use some of their S137 allocation to secure their services. It was **RESOLVED** to pay the £250 for the Band. It was also **RESOLVED** to allow a Bar run by the Cornish Arms at the fete. The Clerk would seek out the old banner, or how it was made, to hang across the playing field gate advertising the event.

WHEAL MAID

11/256

1. Further details had been received on the Mountain Biking Event to be held on 1st April. The Newsletter would be used to publicise this.
2. Nothing further had been heard regarding the land ownership dispute. The Clerk had written following the last meeting as instructed.
3. The new Interpretation Boards were on order, but the smaller granite-set ones still needed to be sorted out. The works associated with removing the old and erecting the new could be undertaken by Paul Chegwidden. Natural England was paying from their capital allocation.
4. The Newsletter would be used to see what residents thought the Valley should be used for.

REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

11/257

1. The Clerk and Cllr Humble had replaced two swing seats at the Playing Field following the recent Safety report.
2. A request had been made to have an additional Salt Bin closer to the School as ice formed on the road surface where springs leaked onto the highway. It was agreed to defer a decision until later in the year.
3. The Clerk will again remind Highways that “No Through Road” signs were requested for Pencantol and Treneghos.

FOOTPATH/ENVIRONMENTAL

11/258

1. The Footpath trimming for the year was almost finished and the Clerk will complete the forms to receive partial reimbursement from Cornwall Council. The Chairman signed the claim form.

DIAMOND JUBILEE COMMEMORATIVE PLANS

11/259

refer back to 11/255 "External Meetings"

PLAYING FIELD MATTERS

11/260

1. The Football Club were meeting next week with the proposed youth team to discuss practicalities. The youth organisers had asked the Parish Council how much would be charged each week for the use of the facilities. It was thought that £10 per game should cover the additional costs if the team left everything as they found it.
2. At the GPPA meeting held on 13th February it was confirmed by those who organised the Car Boot Sales that they were happy to continue for another year. Prices were to remain at £3.50 per boot as the Sales had raised over £1,000 last year and was considered a Community event.
3. Cllr Padmore suggested Councillors meet at the Playing Field at an agreed date to paint the equipment and generally tidy up. The Chairman agreed, suggesting we finish with a barbeque. The date to be arranged.
4. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk purchases two more floodlights to replace those not working.

BETTERMENT PROJECTS

11/261

The Chairman will prepare a letter to other local organisations.

FINANCE

11/262

1. Income had been received since the last meeting in respect of : Hire of Rooms £30 : Adverts £42
2. Cllr Padmore confirmed he had carried out the Internal Audit for the quarter ended 31st December and found everything in order.
3. Payments were authorised in respect of the following:

Cheque number	payee	service	value
101092	L Moody	playing field duties	£89.70
101093	HSBC Invoice Finance	litter bin	£80.04
101094	R Cook	street litter	£103.28
101095	Taylor Design & Play	2 swing seats	£118.80
101096	Cornwall Council	grass cutting 6 months	£306.00
101097	M P Chegwiddden	contract cutting	£1,924.80

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

11/263

Parish 'Crest'.

Signed..... Chairman

15th March 2012