

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON 20th MARCH 2014

Present. Cllr Furnish (Chairman), Cllr Humble, Cllr Roscorla, Cllr Saunders, Cllr Padmore, Cllr Hannam
Apologies Cornwall Councillor Kaczmarek, PCSO Braddon
Also present: Mrs Roscorla

PUBLIC CLINIC

Mrs Roscorla reported that the Fete Committee had met the previous evening and were grateful for the financial input from the Parish Council. Help was needed on the day and especially in finding a qualified First Aid person to cover the event.

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

13/144

Cllr Kaczmarek was on holiday, but during the past month had continued to represent our interests on issues such as the County Adit maintenance, queuing at the HWRC, Maintenance of the Coast to Coast trail and the Mobile Library Service.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

13/145 none

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

13/146

The minutes of the February 2014 meeting were approved and signed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING.

13/147

The SLR report on the Wheal Maid Valley was still being circulated. It would be discussed when all had reviewed the report.

CORRESPONDENCE

13/148

1. A letter from Cornwall Council confirmed our Street Cleansing Grant for 2014/15 would remain the same. This was good news in the light of cuts being made by Cornwall Council to services.
 2. A Summary report from Cllr Roscorla on recent EMR Planning Appeal hearing was noted.
 3. CALC had sent details of several Financial Briefings on Financial Accountability. The advice covered electronic payments, Council Tax support grant and payments of income tax.
 4. Cory Environmental Trust had written confirming their grant and the conditions attached to it.
 5. A letter enclosing a donation had been received from a member of the public who was grateful for the facilities at the Playing Field.
 6. The Street Sweeping report for March was noted.
 7. The Wheal Maid inspection report for March was noted.
 8. The Cornwall Local Plan:Strategic Policies, a consultation document, had been received electronically, and the Clerk will forward it to each Councillor for tem to study. It was a big document with many sub-references. We will then have it on the April agenda for discussion/comment.
- It was noted that the Mining Villages Group were holding a special meeting on the subject on 16th April to which all Councillors were invited. They would be sending combined views from the six MVRG Parish Councils.
9. The Notice of Audit from the external auditors, Grant Thornton advised that they wanted the final accounts before 2nd June 2014. The Clerk anticipated bringing them to our April meeting to be signed off.
 10. PCSO Braddon had sent the Police Report for the previous month. Four reported crimes against five in the previous year and thirteen calls logged compared to eighteen previously.

PLANNING

13/149

Planning applications received for comment.

PA14/01450 Mr Grant, Clifford House, Race Hill, Bissoe - utility reconfiguration & bathroom alterations
(dealt with between meetings due to time restraints) SUPPORT

PA14/01151 Miss D Evans, The Orchard Barn, Tolgullow Vean - creation of sand school and siting of caravan SUPPORT

PA14/01576 Mrs G Fraser, Coldwind Cross, Perranwell Station - erection of stables and construct sand school SUPPORT

PA14/02034 Mr Grant, Penty-an-Vre, Race Hill, Bissoe - sand/cement render to rectify damp NOT SUPPORTED

REPORT ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED.

13/150

1. The Clerk and Cllr Humble had attended both the MVRG and Community Network meetings held here, in the Parish Rooms, on 6th March. Cllr Humble gave a comprehensive report on the matters discussed which included Rural Transport and the Mobile Library Service. He also circulated the minutes from the meeting to Councillors.
2. The MVRG discussed the Waste Management letter from Stithians Parish Council, without any decision being made. It was unanimously decided (with one abstention) that we understand the reasons behind the letter, but take no further action.
3. Cllr Humble also reported back from the GPPA meeting he had attended along with Cllr Roscorla and the Clerk. Car Boot Sales would start on 6th April along the same lines as previously. Discussions also took place on the play area of the Playing Field – see next item (repairs & maintenance.)
4. The Chairman had spoken to Nigel Andrew and he was happy with the arrangements for the forthcoming National Mountain Biking event over the May Bank Holiday. The Chairman was also meeting with a S.W. Water representative next week regarding water installation to the site. He will obtain a quote for a future meeting.

REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE / PLAYING FIELD

13/151

1. Cllr Humble had carried out several repairs/improvements to the children’s play area that were raised in the last safety report. The Clerk has also used non-slip paint in those areas that the report mentioned and refurbished the picnic tables outside the main building. There were still several “tidying” jobs to be done in the Playing Field and the Clerk would appreciate any help from Councillors to spread the load. The Chairman suggested an effort after the Easter holiday, or early May. On behalf of the Council, he thanked Cllr Humble for the work he had carried out.
2. Cllr Humble explained a problem with the central gate into the play area, and it was RESOLVED that we engage a carpenter to make the necessary safety changes.
3. The Chairman would look at the problem of the guttering at the rear of the Parish Rooms.

FINANCE

13/153

1. Cheques were authorised for signature for :

<i>Cheque number</i>	<i>payee</i>	<i>payment details</i>	<i>value</i>
101276	R Cook	litter removing	£114.75
101277	Post Office Ltd	income tax	£298.94
101278	A Blamey	salary/reimb. Quarter ended 31/03	£1,985.21
101279	A Gazzard	Playing Field duties	£90.75
101280	M P Chegwidde	contract cutting	£993.00

2. Income has been received since the last meeting in respect of: Bank Interest £2.91 : Newsletter advert £42.00 : £35 donations : £6,122.49 GPRA monies : £12.50 Rooms hire : £6,612.00 Natural England final payment for Taylor’s : £2,117.00 Cornwall Council footpath reimbursement.

Signed.....Chairman

17th April 2014