

# *Gwennap Parish Council*

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## **MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2014**

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

### **PUBLIC CLINIC**

nil

### **CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

**14/024**

Cllr Kaczmarek updated the meeting on recent matters he had been involved in, including

- The Mobile Library decision was to stop the service, despite user representations. It now fell to the Cabinet to confirm the decision on 30<sup>th</sup> July.
- He was concerned that the Wheal Jewel site was breaching their terms and conditions regarding dogs and horses. There had also been a fire on the site when two caravans were burnt.
- He had taken Cormac's Peter Tatlow around the parish to highlight the poor condition of some road signs. Some would be replaced, some permanently removed as unnecessary.
- He would be meeting with residents at Cusgarne on Monday next following yet more problems with large vehicles getting stuck and causing damage.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**14/025** none

### **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE**

**14/026**

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

### **MATTERS ARISING.**

**14/027**

1. No reply has yet been received regarding the request for white lines at Trelawney Estate parking areas.
2. Curtain poles had been purchased for the Meeting Room and would be fixed shortly. The Clerk had obtained a report and quotation from a company specialising in acoustics, and their recommendation was to fix 'boards' or 'clouds' to reduce the reverberation time, which was estimated to be at 2.6 seconds instead of best practice 1.2 – 1.4 seconds. It was felt we should see how the reverberation was after the curtains were hung.
3. The Chairman was still pressing on with the water connection at United, but was awaiting replies from other agencies.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

**14/028**

1. The litter clearing report for June was noted.
2. Cornwall Council's Chief Executive's reply to our EMR letter had been previously circulated to Councillors. This was discussed at length and all present felt that despite the weak reply, there was nothing further to be gained by continuing the correspondence.
3. Sarah Newton, our MP had also replied to the Chairman's letter and although it was felt she had contributed little to our cause, the matter had reached its conclusion.
4. With the help of our Community Network Manager, details from Land Registry search relating to fly-tipping at United showed the land owner. The offending tipping had been removed recently, but the information would be kept on file as this was a popular spot for tipping.
5. The Fully Sussed Mountain Bike Academy had sent a cheque relating to the recent mountain bike event.
6. The Minutes of Carharrack Parish Council's meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> April were noted.
7. The Wheal Maid inspection report for June was noted.
8. Natural England had sent a plaque to erect on the Taylor's site as part of our HLS Agreement. The Clerk would keep the plaque in our office until the wording had been changed.
9. Cormac had sent a letter explaining a new venture of a free tool trailer for hire. There was an application form to complete by prospective organisations. This message would be passed on to parishioners in the next newsletter.
- 10 The Community Network Panel minutes from a meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May had been received. The next meeting would be held in our Parish Rooms on 3<sup>rd</sup> July.
- 11 The Police Report for the month had been received. PCSO Braddon had sent his apologies as he was off duty.

**PLANNING**

**14/029**

**Planning applications received for our comment:**

PA14/03936 Mr Hambly, Fairways Farm, Wheal Clifford - barn conversion and extension SUPPORT

PA14/04619 Mr R Williams, 4 Chellean Vean, Frogpool - extension to dwelling SUPPORT

*(both dealt with between meetings because of time restraints)*

PA14/05240 Mr Cornish, Pine Trees, Trewelm Lane, Crofthandy - felling of two Monterey pines NOT SUPPORTED

*(defer to C.Council expert)*

**Decision Notices received from Cornwall Council:**

PA14/03677 Mr Hansen, Chacebrook, Frogpool - extensions and alterations APPROVED

PA14/02892 Mr Waters, Noretta, Cusvey - alterations and extensions APPROVED

**WHEAL MAID**

**14/030**

1. A letter from Mr Woods of St Day enquired whether the Parish Council was interested in selling Wheal Maid for a nominal sum. The Clerk was instructed to reply that we were only interested in keeping the valley open as a public amenity in the medium term future and would be retaining it for that purpose.
2. A reply had been received from Ian Faulks from the School of Mines regarding our request for flow-meter information. The Clerk is to reply asking if he would be interested in using the valley as a teaching resource, and at the same time take flow-meter readings over winter months that we could refer to.
3. We are still waiting to arrange a meeting with another School of Mines lecturer regarding the culvert survey.

**PLAYING FIELD**

**14/030**

1. Our application to the Big Lottery Fund for £5,000 towards the safety matting had been conditionally approved, and now awaited a final decision following additional information that the Clerk was sending.
2. Work to install the replacement safety surface would commence on 4<sup>th</sup> August and likely take a week to complete. It was agreed by all that we needed to re-paint our play equipment to ensure the area was at its best on completion. The Clerk was instructed to purchase the materials and a working party of Councillors and other volunteers would tackle the work on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

**FINANCE**

**14/031**

1. Income received since the last meeting was £400.20 Car Boot Sales : £960 Mountain Bike event : Rooms hire £47 : Football field rent £80 + £327.97 : Advert £10.50

2. Cheques were authorised for signature for :

<i>Cheque number</i>	<i>payee</i>	<i>payment details</i>	<i>value</i>
101292	Cormac Solutions	P.Field grass Q1	£163.90
101293	Martin Luck Group	envelopes	£11.94
101294	R Cook	litter clearing	£114.26
101295	PJ & A Raymond	Fete entertainment	£425.00
101296	A Blamey	clerk's salary/expenses Q1	£1,626.49
101297	Post Office Ltd	income tax Q1	£301.93
101298	M P Chegwiddden	contract cutting	£1,589.54
101299	A Gazzard	Playing Field duties	£163.06

3. The Clerk explained that Parish Council's should have in place a set of Financial Regulations as well as their Standing Orders. This had been pointed out during the recent annual audit, so the Clerk had e-mailed Councillors a draft set for consideration, and after incorporating some minor changes, it was RESOLVED that these be adopted by our Council.

Signed.....Chairman

17<sup>th</sup> July 2014