

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON 17th JULY 2014

Present. Cllr Furnish (Chairman)[KF], Cllr Humble (Vice Chairman)[RH], Cllr Roscorla[PR], Cllr Lanyon[DL],
Cllr Padmore[MP], Cllr Hannam[SH], Cllr Saunders[CS]
Apologies PCSO Braddon
Also present: Mrs Roscorla, Cornwall Councillor Kaczmarek[MK]

PUBLIC CLINIC nil

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

14/032

- Cllr Kaczmarek was very much against plans just released by Cornwall Council to charge for certain types of rubbish at the HWRC. There had been no consultation and the proposals had not been thought through at all. Fly tipping of builder's type waste would increase alarmingly.
- The decision on the Mobile Library service would be taken on 30th July.
- He had attended a site meeting at Cusgarne with residents to see if the signage could be improved to avoid large vehicles travelling up into Cusgarne and damaging properties. Discussions on what could be done were still ongoing. Linked to this, the Pryor development at Coldwind Cross which also contributed to "lost" vehicles was found not to have submitted their traffic plan – required as part of the planning approval. This was now being sorted.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

14/033 none

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

14/034

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

MATTERS ARISING.

14/035

1. Cllr Lanyon felt that by not following up on the reply by the Chief Executive to our complaint of the handling of the EMR appeal, we had been easily palmed off.

CORRESPONDENCE

14/036

- 1 The Street litter report for July was noted.
- 2 The Wheal Maid Inspection report for July was noted.
- 3 A letter regarding Cornwall Apprenticeships had been received and the relevant advertising literature would be displayed as requested.
- 4 A letter from Chacewater Parish Council regarding Cornwall Council's perceived poor performance was discussed. They were looking for support from other parishes in challenging the way services were being delivered. Everyone agreed with the tone of the letter and we would offer our wholehearted support. Cllr Lanyon offered to attend any future meeting that might be arranged, and the Chairman would be a reserve if he couldn't attend.
- 5 The Minutes from the Mining Villages Group meeting of 3rd July were noted.
- 6 A letter from Cornwall Council explained that they were proposing to introduce charges for certain types of waste that were currently free. This had already been discussed earlier in the meeting and it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk writes a strongly worded letter to Cornwall Council pointing out the problems it would cause locally. Prop.KF 2nd. DL
7. CALC had sent their Annual Report which had been e-mailed to Councillors, and also their response in relation to the Local Audit Consultation. The Clerk is to follow up on the three vacancies they currently have to see what the criteria is for prospective members.
8. The Police report had been sent by PCSO Braddon. Reported crime was down from the same period last year from five to one, whilst incidents logged were around the same number.

PLANNING

14/037

Planning applications received to date:

PA14/05064 SLA Developments, Henley, Consols Road, Carharrack - new bungalow SUPPORT
PA14/05494 Mr Sarker, Eldon Cottage, United Downs - single storey extension SUPPORT
PA14/05126 Mr Poulter, Fernsplatt Farm, Bissoe - change of use of land to domestic cartilage, replacement extension and new garage with occasional room above SUPPORT

(all three dealt with between meetings because of time restraints)

PA14/05799 Mr K West, Coombe Farm, Coombe Hill, Bissoe - proposed alteration to roof SUPPORT
PA14/06099 Mr Payne, Little Poldice, Poldice Lane, Crofthandy - proposed extension to dwelling SUPPORT

Decision Notices received from Cornwall Council:

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

Cllr Roscorla was concerned that each month several applications were being decided between meetings because of tight deadline for comments. Cllr Humble said that it was a County-wide problem that would probably remain unresolved. The Clerk commented that if he thought an application was likely to be contentious he would request additional time.

EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

14/038

The Clerk had attended the recent MVRG and Community Network meetings held in our Parish Rooms on 3rd July. There were concerns relating to Cormac operations and a letter is being sent from MVRG to Arthur Hooper at Cormac setting out the perceived problems. In some ways this dovetails into the Chacewater letter and they would be made aware of the MVRG link in our reply.

WHEAL MAID

14/039

1. The Chairman and Clerk had met with Tom Clifford from the School of Mines (and Riventa) regarding the culvert survey which was now overdue. He had then walked the site with the Chairman and had confirmed in writing that his company could carry out the survey and included a breakdown of the likely costs.
The Chairman suggested that we try to negotiate the quote down, but if this failed we would go with it in the absence of any alternative companies willing to carry out the work. This was AGREED by all, but we would wait whilst Cllr Lanyon made some other enquiries locally. He would contact the Clerk with his findings.

REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE & PLAYING FIELD ISSUES

14/040

1. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk engages the services of Mr Cook to carry out work on the cemetery gates and potentially any other minor routine maintenance jobs that arose.

FOOTPATHS/ENVIRONMENTAL

14/041

1. Footpath trimming was now in full swing and the Clerk asked Councillors to let him know of paths that were in need of attention.
2. The pavement at the school was in need of trimming. This had already been raised by the Clerk with Cormac but he would follow up for some action and also at Crofthandy.
3. The Clerk would request scalplings for spreading in the byway alongside the playing field where a depression caused deep flooding.

FINANCE

14/042

1. Cheques were authorised for signature for :

<i>Cheque number</i>	<i>payee</i>	<i>payment details</i>	<i>value</i>
101301	Grant Thornton UK	annual audit fee	£756.00
101302	R Cook	litter clearing	£122.14
101303	Post Office Ltd	EDF electric bill, P.Field	£113.00
101304	M P Chegwiddden	contract cutting	£1,660.54
101305	A Gazzard	Playing Field duties	£141.84

4. The Accounts for 2013/2014 have now been signed off by Grant Thornton as in order. They did raise issues regarding the absence of a set of Financial Regulations (which we have since introduced), and the recording of the processes for the Taylor's project, where they were satisfied that the Council were fully informed of progress but the minutes did not show the proper authorisations.
5. Income had been received since the last meeting for : Adverts £179.50 : Car Boot proceeds £173.84 : Bank Interest £4.16

Signed.....Chairman

21st August 2014

