

Gwennap Parish Council

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

Present. Cllr Furnish (KF), Cllr Roscorla[PR], Cllr Lanyon (DL), Cllr Hannam (SH), Cllr Saunders (CS), Cllr Padmore(MP)

Apologies Cllr Humble, PCSO Braddon, Cornwall Councillor Kaczmarek

Also present: Mrs Roscorla, D Crewes & partner, J Bishop, Chairman & Clerk – Perranarworthal P.C, Chairman – Mylor P.C. & Mr Needham

PUBLIC CLINIC

1. Mr Needham spoke regarding his planning application that the Council were discussing later in the meeting relating to the lifting of the 106 condition on his annexe.
2. Mr Crewes handed out copies of an application he intended to submit in the near future, following pre-application advice. He hoped to build a dwelling on land at Coombe Hill, replacing a redundant animal shelter. The Chairman explained that we could not comment unless studying the actual application, but DL did explain that if the proposal was sited closer to other buildings it would increase the chance of approval. At present, it seemed to be in an open green-field position.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

14/079 none

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

14/080

The minutes of the October 2014 meeting were approved and signed as an accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING.

14/081

1. As well as the kiosks at Pulla Cross and Gwennap, those at Crofthandy and Cusgarne were also scheduled for removal (or adoption), despite not being on the official list. Notices had been displayed in all kiosks.
2. Culvert repairs by Riventa would be carried out in the near future.
3. The tender advert for grass and footpaths would be in next week's West Briton.
4. DL asked for the CPRE letter on numbers of new properties required to be placed on the next agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE

14/082

1. The Minutes of Carharrack Parish Council meetings held 22nd Sept. & 20th October were noted.
2. Natural England had confirmed revised payment dates for our HLS agreement at Wheal Maid. In total, the amount received over the ten year period would remain unchanged.
3. The Wheal Maid inspection report for November was noted.
4. The litter clearing report for November was noted.
5. A letter from a parishioner at Cusgarne objected to the siting of the new litter bin on the pavement opposite their property. The letter also considered the bin a waste of money and suggested that if the Council had spare money they could cut the road hedges. Those Councillors that had seen the positioning felt it was fine, but DL asked for it to be placed on the next agenda by which time he would have seen it.
6. Cornwall Council had sent details of the feedback of their Budget proposals. They would now make the decision on how to make the necessary savings.
7. EDF had sent confirmation of our new electricity tariff contract for the Playing Field.
8. Requests for donations from Red Cross, Cornwall Blind Asscn & Young People Cornwall had been received, and all were as a result of reduced funding from Cornwall Council. It was likely that Parish Councils would be receiving more requests in the future. It was AGREED by all that to avoid setting a precedent we make no grants to larger charitable organisations, keeping our funding for in-parish expenditure.
9. A Copy of Paul Dyer letter to Cornwall Council on behalf of "Cornwall United" group had been received. It confirmed the contents of the draft copy read at our last meeting.
10. Came & Company Insurance renewal quotation was discussed. The offer of a reduction if we signed up for a further three years would be accepted if the Clerk checked elsewhere to ensure that it represented value for money.
11. A letter outlining Precept details for 2015-16 had been received from Cornwall Council. The Clerk will prepare a summary of finances for discussion at our December meeting.
12. A letter had been received regarding support for those organisations that provided Community Transport minibuses.
13. We have received an invitation to Cornwall Council's event for Newquay Airport - "Masterplan Consultation".
14. A request from Fete Committee for financial support towards 2015 event was discussed. It was RESOLVED that we fund the two items of children's play equipment at a cost of £475.

15. It was noted that Cornwall Council would be discussing the Library Service next week, and those that wanted to attend the meeting should do so to preserve the service. It was possible to speak if prior arrangements were made.
16. The Police report sent by PCSO Braddon was read. Incidents logged had risen from 22 to 35 since last month whilst reported crime was down from 7 to 6.

PLANNING

14/083

Planning applications received to date:

Dealt with since last meeting because of time restraints

PA14/09788 Mr French, Glenview Farm, Gwennap - replace conservatory with Orangery SUPPORT

PA14/10122 SITA UK, United Landfill Site - extend time limit by 24 months for restoration SUPPORT

For consideration at this meeting:

PA14/10234 Mr Needham, Chycoose, Hicks Mill, Bissoe - certificate of lawfulness for the continued use of Annexe as a dwelling. SUPPORT

PA14/10284 Mr Campling, Wee Chy An Brea, Pulla Cross - first floor side extension of bedroom & bathroom. SUPPORT (voting four for, CS & PR against)

PA14/10309 Mr Dalton, Gilly Penrose, Gilly Farm, Gwennap - first floor sun/lounge/conservatory OBJECT (flat roof not acceptable)

A discussion took place on what type of applications should be cleared between meetings. It was decided that if the plan had strategic implications then the Clerk should seek a delay, or get more than three Councillors to comment.

REPORT ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

14/084

1. The Clerk attended the Mining Village meeting with Cllr Humble. Other mining parishes were looking into the possibility of paying for the time of an enforcement officer to resolve parking problems and spot fines for litter dropping, but we didn't feel this was a problem we wanted to contribute to. A discussion on Neighbourhood Plans found that most small councils found them to be expensive and difficult to get off the ground without a body of volunteers to drive the application. The poor performance of Cormac was a continual theme.
2. The Clerk and Cllr Humble had also attended the SITA liaison meeting held on 13th November. After complaining about the length of time it is taking to reinstate the public rights of way across the closed site, SITA apologised for the previous misleading messages and confirmed they were out to tender for all restoration works, of which the bridleways were part. Once the tender had been accepted a twelve week programme should see everything completed.
3. Cllr Lanyon had attended a further meeting of the Chacewater "Call for Change" group at Camelford where there was good support for the campaign, there being similar concerns regarding the way Cornwall Council conducted its business. Over seventy Parish Councils were now "on board", five definitely didn't want to be and others were considering their position.
4. The Chairman had attended the Remembrance Service at Gwennap Church and laid a wreath on behalf of the Parish Council.

REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

14/085

1. The Clerk would enquire whether another load of scalplings could be provided, to be split between the lane behind the Playing Field and the cycle trail at Hale Mills. The Clerk would check with Gavin Henderson to see if the cycle trail was on his list of future tasks.
2. The Clerk and Cllr Saunders had cleared the drains at Crowsmennegus and Pulla Hill where heavy rain was causing flooding.
3. Cllr Roscorla felt that several roads needed the verges cut back with a ditch plough.

PLAYING FIELD

14/086

1. The Football Club had asked whether the goalposts could be replaced. The Clerk had explained that the metal was still sound but when next painted they should be primed properly before applying the white coat. This was discussed at the meeting and the Clerk's comments supported. The work would fall to the Football Club as part of their contribution which was reflected in the ground rent.
2. The Parish Rooms were now being let on every Tuesday evening for Martial Arts / Self Defence tuition. The Clerk had checked the necessary Insurance and Child Protection certificates of the instructor.

FOOTPATHS/ENVIRONMENTAL

14/087

1. The Woodland Trust trees had been received. The Clerk, his wife and Cllr Hannam had planted several in the Frogpool area whilst the Clerk and the Chairman had planted in the Wheal Maid valley. Crofthandy Village Hall had taken a good number.

FINANCE

14/088

1. Cheques were authorised for signature for :

<i>Cheque number</i>	<i>payee</i>	<i>payment details</i>	<i>value</i>
101327	BT Global Services	newsletter printing	£378.85
101328	RBL Poppy Appeal	wreath	£18.50
101329	K F Bartlett Ltd	repairs to boiler	£42.30
101330	Greenham	grit/salt box	£153.60
101331	R Cook	litter clearing	£133.96
101332	Cornwall Council	Taylor's project consultancy	£2,000.40
101333	Martin Luck Group	stationery	£49.08
101334	A Blamey	reimbursement of payments made	£403.05
101335	A Gazzard	Playing Field duties	£153.66

2. Income had been received since the last meeting for : Rooms hire £261 : VAT rebate (6 months) £5,312.17 : advert £10 : burial fee £150
3. Cllr Padmore confirmed that he had carried out the Internal Audit on the Council's accounts to the end of September and found everything to be in order. The Clerk was clarifying a vat matter.

Signed.....Chairman

18th December 2014