

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON 17th MARCH 2016 at 7pm

Present. Cllr Furnish (KF) Chairman, Cllr Roscorla (PR), Cllr Padmore (MP), Cllr Leach (GL),
Apologies Cllr Humble
Also present: Cornwall Councillor Kaczmarek, Mrs Roscorla, Mrs Walker, Tom Hill

PUBLIC CLINIC

1. Mrs Walker had recently moved into April Cottage at Tresamble and came to enquire about the rise in the precept for the parish element and also the Social Care portion. The Chairman and Cllr Kaczmarek explained their respective parts to her satisfaction. The Clerk will ask the Countryside Officer to look at the Byway leading to her property on safety grounds.
2. Mr Hill explained that he came to observe, as he was considering an application for the Clerk's post.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS MEETING

15/140 none

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

15/141

Councillor Kaczmarek reported that:

- A mineshaft has opened in the road at St Day
- He continued to chase some action on Bridleway 29 at Sparry where flooding is a major issue.
- Businesses at Point Mills were angry that road closure signs had deterred customers but no works had taken place.
- His recent St Piran's Quiz in the Cornish Arms had raised £140 for the Air Ambulance
- Cormac are investigating ways of installing a traffic monitor on the road from Point Mills to Twelveheads, but an electricity supply is currently the problem.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

15/142 The minutes of the February 2016 meeting were approved and signed as an accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING.

15/143

1. The Clerk confirmed he had written to Ms Ryder regarding the fly-tipping on her land at Pulla Bridge. He had also enclosed photos of the site.
2. The "No Waiting" cones have yet to be delivered to Cormac, so we would have to wait a little longer.
3. The Chairman was not happy with the letter received last month from the Police regarding their revised level of engagement with parishes. It was AGREED that he draft a letter to the Police outlining our concerns.
4. The Clerk had sent additional details of the planning application for storage containers at Mount Wellington to Councillors, following which it was agreed to support the application.

CORRESPONDENCE

15/144

1. Cornwall Council Kaczmarek was liaising between residents at Point Mills and Cormac regarding traffic speed and flows.
2. The Minutes of Carharrack Parish Council's meeting of 18th January were noted.
3. The Ronnie Richards Memorial Charity had sent a rebate of £150 having obtained a better deal on defibrillator costs.
4. A promotional 'flyer' had enclosed a coin/medal commemorating HM Queen Elizabeth II 90th Birthday.
5. Cormac had offered the weed treatment for 2016 of defined public areas. We AGREED to continue with the lesser identified areas treated last year by Paul Chegwidden which represented better value to the Council.
6. The litter clearing report for March was noted.
7. The Wheal Maid Inspection for March was noted.
8. Natural England had given reimbursement for the growth control around mine buildings at Wheal Maid.
9. Bartlett Refrigeration had carried out the first of two maintenance services for the kitchen boiler at the Playing Field.
10. Grant Thornton had given notice of the details required for the annual audit. The Clerk was confident he would be able to comply with the requirements and deadlines.

DEFIBRILLATORS

15/145

Unfortunately, Councillor Humble was ill and could not give his full report, but the Clerk informed the meeting that the defibrillators and cabinets would be with us next week. Training numbers had now reached 54 locally.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE STANDARDS

15/146

The Clerk asked for this matter to be deferred as there was more detailed information due to come from Cornwall Council. The original notification was only a holding position.

PLANNING

15/147

Dealt with between meetings:

PA16/00598 Mr J Matthews, Cascadden Cottage, Stithians - Listed building consent for new porch SUPPORTED

Plans for discussion at the meeting:

PA16/01331 Mr R D’Souza, land east of Little Beside Bungalow, St Day - new dwelling NO OBJECTIONS in principle, but support the comments from the World Heritage team asking for the correct procedures and information to be complied with..

Decision notices received back from Cornwall Council

PA16/00602 Dr A Lockwood, Fernleigh Farm, Hicks Mill - demolish workshop and new extension APPROVED

Other Planning

Clr Roscorla was having difficulty using the planning portal to find relevant planning applications. The Clerk will inform the paperless planning team and ask for quick action given the 1st April deadline for the start of the paperless scheme.

REPORTS ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

15/148

The Clerk gave a brief report on the Mining Villages meeting he had attended that afternoon.

REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

15/149

1. A new lock had been purchased for the Playing Field gates.
2. It was retrospectively AGREED that a large extension cable be purchased, initially for use with the planning equipment in the Rooms, but also for use at the annual Community Fete.
3. It was AGREED that the Chairman spends £50 towards the restoration of the Mining Ore Wagon provided by MK. Wheels needed to be sourced as well as sleepers/rails, and the Chairman would be happy to carry out the welding at no charge. The siting of the wagon would be discussed on completion.
4. The Chairman suggested postponing the possibility of having a broadband connection in the Rooms office until more councillors were present.
5. Some form of background heating was needed for the Rooms and Clr Leach would liaise with the Chairman and Clerk after he had carried out some enquiries.

CLERK’S APPLICATIONS – TO DATE

15/150

The Clerk had forwarded those applicants details received to date to all councillors but there was still over a week to receive more.

The Chairman emphasised the need for the process to be very transparent and asked any councillors who knew any of the applicants to inform the Clerk, explaining the relationship.

By the closing date of 26th March, each Councillor should forward to the Clerk those applicants they felt should be interviewed. A date would then be set for interviews, preferably a Thursday evening, and the Chairman would work up a scoring sheet to be used. The Clerk will forward to Councillors the existing contract for their perusal/comments.

FINANCE

15/151

1. Cheques were signed for :

101440	Cormac Solutions Ltd	Q4 P.Field grass cutting	£163.90
101441	R Cook	Litter clearing	£145.78
101442	PaW Village Memorial Hall	Defibrillator training	£270.00
101443	A Blamey	Q4 salary and reimbursements	£1,661.99
101444	Post Office Ltd	Q4 income tax	£307.90
101445	M P Chegwiddden	contract cutting	£651.60
101446	A Gazzard	Playing Field duties	£114.26

2. Income had been received since the last meeting for : Burial fees £575.00 : Rooms hire £115.00 : Adverts £42.00 : RRMRC defibrillator rebate £150.00 : Natural England £495.55

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

15/152

Rooms heating and broadband : Update on recruitment