

Gwennap Parish Council

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

Present: Cllr Furnish (Chair), Cllr Leach (Vice Chair), Cllr Padmore, Cllr Lanyon, Cllr Stumbles
Apologies: Cllr Roscorla
Also present: Mrs F. Barnard (Clerk), Cornwall Cllr M Kaczmarek, Ms S Julian, Mr J Simm + 1, Mrs D Hansen

PUBLIC CLINIC

Ms Julian spoke in support of planning application PA16/10141, citing the reason for the development, her connection with the local area and her thinking behind the design of the proposed dwelling. Mr Simm spoke against the same application citing objections to the plans for sewerage removal, the effect on the water table and privacy issues for his property. Another member of public supported Mr Simm's comments. The Chairman thanked Ms Julian and Mr Simm.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS MEETING

16/115 None

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

16/116

Cornwall Councillor Kaczmarek reported that:

- Problems of fly tipping within the parish persist, including an incident of 75 tyres down a byway near Wheal Clifford, and a caravan left outside the Stock Car Race Track. Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek had forwarded an email regarding fly tipping data for Gwennap and other local parishes to the Clerk, although he noted that the data is skewed by United Downs addresses having St Day postcodes, despite being in Gwennap parish. The clerk agreed to forward the email to the Councillors.
- Cornwall Council is reviewing fly tipping across the region & will install covert cameras in fly tipping 'hot spots'.
- There had been a recent fire in a wood yard at Poldory Lane, United Downs, a site about which he had previously raised fire risk and Health & Safety concerns to Cornwall Council. If action had been taken at the time, such an incident might have been avoided.
- Refurbishment of the fingerpost at the United Mines to Mount Wellington junction has been completed to an excellent standard and it has now been reinstated.
- Safeguarding concerns about children from Wheal Jewel travelling in the front of vehicles, without belts, are being investigated.
- White lining work has continued in the area with the Mount Wellington to Twelveheads road and the road at Comford due to be completed soon.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

16/117 The minutes of the October's meeting were approved and signed as an accurate record of proceedings.

MATTERS ARISING

16/118

- 16/104 Kea Parish Council support Mr & Mrs Tyson's concerns about developments at K9 Crusaders, and their apparent disregard for planning regulations, and have written to Cornwall Council on the matter. It was AGREED that the Clerk will write a similar letter of support to Cornwall Council.
- 16/105.1 Cllr Stumbles has purchased the bench and picnic table & bench for the community garden project at Carn View Estate, the residents are delighted and extremely grateful to the Parish Council.
- 16/107.1 The tree overhanging the bus shelter at Pulla Cross has been cut back by the land owner, as requested. The Clerk will consider repair costs for the roof timbers.
- 16/107.6 The Clerk has not yet put up posters warning playpark users to be wary of footballs during matches, but agreed to action this as soon as possible. Cllr Lanyon reminded the parish council that there had been 2 incidents of bystanders getting hurt by wayward footballs in 2 years. Safety measures were discussed again and it was AGREED that Cllr Lanyon will get a price for 4-5 foot safety netting that could be hung behind the goal to protect people walking along the footpath to/from the playpark.
- 16/108 The Clerk has replied to Cornwall Council regarding additions/removals of paths for our Local Maintenance Partnership 2017/18 schedule.
- 16/109 Tree work at Frogpool Cemetery is to be carried out on 18th November, followed by work on the cemetery footpaths commencing on 21st November.

CORRESPONDENCE

16/119

- 119.1 The Clerk read a letter of resignation from Cllr Roscorla which had been received by email on 31/10/16. The Clerk will notify Cornwall Council of the vacancy.
- 119.2 The minutes of Carharrick Parish Council's September meeting were noted.

- 119.3 Cornwall Association of Local Councils Weekly News Roundups had been received and previously circulated.
- 119.4 The minutes of the Mineral Tramways Partnership Steering Group meeting of 13/10/16 were noted, and the Clerk highlighted an events day at King Edward Mine on Saturday 15th April, to include a guided walk, a cycle ride and the opening of the new café. Representatives of the Mineral Tramway partnership are asked to attend. The clerk also reported that Japanese knotweed treatment had been carried out at various locations during September/October.
- 119.5 A letter from NHS Primary Care Support giving notification of an address of premises for Day Lewis Pharmacy was noted.
- 119.6 The Clerk had received a copy of the results from the Pulla Cross to Frogpool road Speed Survey (13-20 Oct 2016), which she had forwarded to the Councillors. It shows a mean speed of 32.5mph westbound and 30.1mph eastbound. The Clerk will follow this up with the relevant departments to see if some form of speed calming measures can be implemented.
- 119.7 The offer of grant for the Neighbourhood Development Plan from Groundwork UK, dated 08/11/16, was noted.
- 119.8 The Street Litter Clearing Report for November, and an email regarding waste found in Hicks Mill bin had been received from Mr Cook. It was agreed the waste dumped in the bin at Hicks Mill was most likely a one-off incident by a contractor working in the area.
- 119.9 A letter from Cornwall Council regarding Precepts for the 2017/18 financial year had been received on 17th November. This will be carried forward to December's meeting.
- 119.10 The Wheal Maid inspection report for November was noted.
- 119.11 An email was received on 17th November from MP Sarah Newton, responding to our email to her regarding Devonwall. The Clerk had forwarded Mrs Newton's email to all Councillors.

PLANNING

16/120

- PA16/10141 Ms S Julian, Land adjacent to Rose Barn, Church Lane, Gwennap, Erection of a dwelling. SUPPORT, providing CC resolve the waste disposal concerns. Also suggest the design is revisited to resolve Mr Simm's privacy concerns.
- PA16/08778 United Mines Energy Ltd, Untied Mines Landfill Site, application for continued operation of landfill gas facility & associated developments, to extend the operational period to 2030. SUPPORT.
- PA16/09255 Mr W Lees, Trethellan Vean, Trethellan, Lanner, Application for agricultural building. SUPPORT.
- PA16/09890 Renewable Energy Co-operative, The Dry, Mount Wellington Mine, Fernsplat, Certificate of lawfulness for existing solar photovoltaic panels installed on the southern end of the building in 2011. SUPPORT.
- PA16/10352 SUEZ, United Mines Landfill, Variation to condition 1: extend the use of site offices until 31/05/17. SUPPORT.

Decision Notices received from Cornwall Council:

- PA16/08469 Rose Cottage, Sunny Corner, Demolition of existing extension and erection of new extension APPROVED
- PA16/07643 Farmcot, Greensplat, Demolition of existing barn & erection of general purpose agricultural building APPROVED
- PA16/07536 The Granary, Point Mills, Bissoe, New garage with storage over. APPROVED
- PA16/07302 Holly Tree Farm, Fernsplat, Bissoe, Erection of agricultural building. APPROVED
- PA16/06096 Redundant barn, Gilly Farm, Gwennap, Conversion & extension of existing barn to form dwelling. APPROVED
- PA16/08760 Badgers Folly Road, Hicks Mill, Demolition of conservatory & replace with single story extension APPROVED
- PA16/07973 Carn View, Lower Goongumpas Lane, Proposed change of use and extension of residential garage to form ancillary accommodation. APPROVED
- PA16/09471 Greenstone Cottage, Frogpool, Proposed side & rear extensions. APPROVED
- PA16/08562 Land adj to Primrose Cottage, Consols Rd, Carharrack, Proposed new dwelling. APPROVED

LOCAL COUNCIL PRE APPLICATION PROTOCOL

16/121

The Parish Council discussed the merits of adopting the newly produced Pre-Application Planning Protocol. They RESOLVED to adopt the pre-application agreement scheme (ref Local Council Pre-Application Protocol v2 and Local Council Pre-App Protocol Agreement). The Clerk will complete and return the necessary paperwork.

REPORTS ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

16/122

- 122.1. Cllr Furnish, Cllr Leach & Cllr Stumbles and the Clerk had met at Frogpool Cemetery to carry out maintenance and gardening work.
- 122.2. Cllr Furnish attended a Localism & Devolution meeting at which a DCLG Rep spoke and identified possible sources of funding. Sarah Mason (County Executive Officer, Cornwall Association of Local Councils) had also spoken about the cemetery and burial partnership.
- 122.3. Cllr Furnish proposed that the parish council set up a community volunteer group who can help the council with small jobs and tasks around the parish. It was AGREED that the Clerk will advertise this in the next parish newsletter.

COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

16/123

- 123.1 Two people have expressed an interest in joining the parish council, and an advertisement about the vacancies is due to be published in the winter issue of the Gwennap Parish Newsletter in December. It was AGREED that interested parties will be invited to attend a meeting to chat with the Councillors, to be arranged by the Clerk.

THE AUGUST MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

16/124

- 124.1 The Councillors discussed the merits of not holding a parish meeting during August of each year, a practice adopted by many parish councils across Cornwall. All Councillors AGREED that they are usually available during August, and that planning applications would still have to be discussed and agreed and so the Council RESOLVED to continue to hold an August meeting of the parish council.

MAINTENANCE, ENVIRONMENTAL & PLAYING FIELD

I6/125

- I25.1. The Clerk reported that the annual service of the Fire Extinguishers at the parish rooms had been conducted, along with the annual water-heater service.
- I25.2. A request for a Hoover for the parish rooms had been received. The Parish Council AGREED to accept a Hoover, donated by Cllr Stumbles.
- I25.3. A flood light bulb at the Richard Jory Playing Field needs replacing. The Clerk will arrange for this to be done.
- I25.4. A request to install a PIR sensor light on the back of the parish rooms had been received. The Council APPROVED this request and asked the Clerk to obtain a quote for the work.
- I25.5. The Clerk has spoken with Mr R Nile regarding remedial work to some of the playpark equipment. Mr Nile will give the Clerk an estimate for the work.

GWENNAP PARISH NEWSLETTER

I6/126

- I26.1. Following Cllr Roscorla's resignation from the Parish Council the Clerk AGREED to take over the editorial duties of the Gwennap Parish Newsletter, for a trial period of two issues, after which the Parish Council will review the matter. The Parish Council AGREED to consider paying the Clerk a remuneration for taking on this additional work and responsibility. This will be discussed at the next Parish meeting.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN (NDP) & DEVOLUTION OF ASSETS

I6/127

- I27.1. A second Neighbourhood Development Plan steering group meeting is scheduled for 24th November, with 'roadshows' in Crofthandy, Gwennap, Cusgarne, Frogpool and Pulla Cross planned for January/February 2017.
- I27.2. Two of the Councillors have not yet contacted their working groups. Cllr Furnish will re-email the OneDrive link.
- I27.3. The Clerk confirmed that two more people have volunteered to join the steering group and working groups.
- I27.4. The objectives and policies have now been reviewed by most members of the steering group, and the short survey will be ready for distribution with the winter issue of the Gwennap Parish Newsletter in December.
- I27.5. Cllr Furnish circulated a copy of the NDP budget and confirmed that the first stage grant payment of £2,515 has been received which will cover costs including maps and the printing of the surveys and promotional materials. The Council AGREED to grant permission for the Clerk and Cllr Furnish to authorise spend costs up to £2,515.
- I27.6. The devolution of assets was discussed and the Council RESOLVED that it does not wish to take ownership of roads, Council houses, or the Wheal Jewel Travellers site. Certain assets that the Parish Council would be interested in taking ownership of were discussed, and it was agreed that a business case is needed for each one.

FINANCE

I6/128

- I28.1. Income has been received since the last meeting for: Rooms hire £280, Burial £410, Adverts £12, VAT Rebate £1,649.94, NDP Grant £2,515 (total £4,866.94)
- I28.2. No cheques were signed. The following BACS/direct debit payments were authorised:

Tony Craze	Galvanised barrier at Wheal Maid	£1,401.60
Ann Gazzard	Playing field duties November	£136.00
Mr R Cook	Litter clearing rounds November	£160.00
Cormac Solutions Limited	Quarterly grounds maintenance	£163.90
Cornwall Council County Fund	Parish newsletter printing Autumn 2016	£214.98
CommuniCorp	Clerks & Councils Direct subscription	£12.00
Mrs F Barnard	Salary & Expenses November	£559.49
Mr G Leach	Weedkiller for cemetery	£51.90

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

I6/129

1. Precept for the 2017/18 financial year
2. Newsletter/Clerk's remuneration of hours
3. Pensions Regulator

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed..... Chairman (19th January 2017)