

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON 15th MARCH 2018 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Furnish (Chair), Cllr Lanyon, Cllr Patton, Cllr Forrest, Cllr Hallett, Cllr Pascoe
Apologies: Cllr Leach
Also present: Clerk, Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek, Dr H Gibson (Plymouth University)

PUBLIC CLINIC

Dr Gibson discussed the work and research that her department are doing into public perception of geothermal engineering, in particular the forthcoming geothermal project at United Downs. The research team are hoping to recruit volunteers to take part in focus groups (6 monthly) and complete surveys in their longitudinal study. They are currently targeting social media, local newspapers and magazines/newsletters, as well as referral from people already involved with the project. The Parish Council agreed to help publicise their details (Web: www.plymouth.ac.uk/deep-geothermal and Twitter: @PlymHotRocks). Dr Gibson explained their work is to inform the debate about geothermal energy and its new technologies, and to ensure that communities' concerns are heard and addressed. The end results will be made public. The Chairman thanked Dr Gibson, who then left the meeting.

17/191 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Leach.

17/192 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS MEETING

No interests were declared for this meeting.

17/193 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek reported that:

- 193.1 Enforcement are now investigating tree felling and landfill at Unity Woods. Necessary licences are in place for the tree felling, but no wildlife habitat survey has been done. Felling and coppicing has now stopped until regrowth reaches 2m. He attended a site meeting with Chacewater PC on 15th March, they have had no formal consultation on activities. Cllr Furnish is attending a site meeting with Cllr Knill of Chacewater PC on 23rd March, all Councillors are welcome to attend.
- 193.2 Cornwall Council have released their resurfacing works for 2018/19, which include a number of locations within Gwennap Parish.
- 193.3 The St Piran's quiz at the Cornish Arms was a great success and was very well attended.

17/194 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of February's Parish Council meeting were approved and signed as an accurate record.

17/195 MATTERS ARISING

- 170.7 The Clerk has obtained a full list of event dates for the Stock Car Race Track at United Downs, she has also had a very good chat with the tenant about the number of events they hold each year which has remained consistent at about 12-16 race events per year plus 6 specialist events per year. The terms of their tenancy agreement does not restrict the number of events that can take place, but Autospeed have no intentions to increase their schedule.
- 155.8 The Clerk had a long phone call with Mr Stephenson from the Environment Agency regarding the stockpiling of glass at United Downs, who are aware of the site and have been working with the proprietor to reduce the volume. The location is a Waste Exemption Site and is therefore not required to have a permit or a Fire Prevention Plan, however Mr Stephenson agreed to talk to their Fire Officer and to feed back to the Clerk. The Clerk will research proof of the Environment Agency's involvement with the site. The Public Protection department have advised the Clerk that they would not be investigating.
- 139.1 The Community Speed Watch cannot go ahead until sufficient numbers return the forms sent to them by PCSO Fuller.
- 166.6 Cllr Lanyon will be sourcing sections of galvanised pipe for the playing field gates in the near future.
- 166.7 Cllr Pascoe said she would put the Clerk in touch with someone who would be able to advise re more efficient and environmentally friendly lighting and heating at the parish rooms.
- 146.3 Cllr Lanyon is currently obtaining a quote for extending the parking area at the parish rooms.
- 173.10 The Clerk has reported the obstruction on the Cornish Way to Cormac and ask for it to be removed.
- 175.4 The Clerk is still pulling together further information about proposed changes to the Definitive Map.
- 176.2 The Clerk has registered the CLT Steering Group with the National Community Land Trust Network.
- 178.1 The Clerk has spoken with Mr Henderson re registering Wheal Maid as open access right to roam and will

action, with Cllr Furnish. Cllr Furnish is still working on mapping the different zones.

185.1 The Clerk has now purchased a new printer for £99 + VAT.

17/196 CORRESPONDENCE

196.1 The Local Maintenance Partnership 2018 offer was noted and discussed later, see Minute ref 203.2.

196.2 An email from a consultant re community energy funding was noted – no action required at present.

196.3 The Clerk updated the Council on enquiries into the lack of an increase in annual Street Cleaning agreements.

196.4 The Council **RESOLVED** to accept a proposal by Mr Cook to trial a change to the schedule of litter picking.

196.5 The Wheel Maid Inspection Report for March was noted. The Council discussed risks of clearing the top culvert and agreed that to ensure that suitable risk assessments and method statements are put in place.

196.6 The Council **APPROVED** an invoice for £660 from Transposition Architects to carry out a development appraisal in the void under the school, using 2017/18 Section 137 expenditure (see Minute ref. 198.3).

17/197 PLANNING

a) To receive and comment on planning applications:

PA18/01389 Mr Adcock, Lanner Farm, Cusgarne, Erection of timber agricultural shed - *SUPPORT*

PA18/00411 Mrs Harbisher & Miss Caterer, Ryecroft, Trehaddle, Erection of dwelling and garage – *OBJECT on the grounds that it is in a Critical Drainage Area so the applicant is required to carry out a full flood risk assessment and to reduce flood risk further downstream.*

PA18/01160 Mrs Mitchelmore, Penventon Mill, A393, Gwennap, Construction of double garage, workshop & woodstore – *Request extension until revised drawings have been received.*

b) To receive and comment on planning applications received too late to be included on agenda

PA18/02431 Mr & Mrs Datson, Point Villa, Point Mills, Bissoe, Proposed 1st floor extension, alterations & retractable canopy – *deferred to April meeting, extension approved by planning officer.*

c) To note planning decisions:

PA18/01525 The Old Vicarage, Burncoose, Gwennap, Submission to discharge condition 3 *DISCHARGED*

PA17/12137 Land North of Crossways, Crofthandy, Submission to discharge conditions 2, 3 and 4. *Condition 2 discharged, other conditions info requested.*

d) Update on any ongoing planning enforcements

EN17/01005 – Alleged land being used as a landfill site at land north of Lower Tolgullow Vean Farm, Poldice – investigations being carried out.

e) To note planning appeals or inquiries

EGD3524: PA17/07925 Mrs Tunbridge, Tailings End, Goongumpas, Approval of application for Lawful Development Certificate – *the Parish Council are extremely disappointed with the Council's decision to approve this application, despite their fierce objections, and subsequent email to Mr Mason at CC, but accept that there is nothing more that the Parish Council can do.*

f) To report any planning problems

The Clerk was asked to report developments at The Yard, Trehaddle to the Enforcement department.

17/198 REPORTS ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

198.1 Cllr Pascoe attended the recent Stithians Energy Group meeting which she found very interesting. Cusgarne Farm hope to work with them on two projects.

198.2 Cllr Lanyon attended the Cornwall 4 Change meeting which was well attended. A speaker reported on how government funds for planning work, and the concept of registering Cornwall as a National Park was also discussed. Cllr Lanyon will forward the information to the Councillors.

198.3 Cllr Furnish and the Clerk had a good meeting with the Acting Head of School and Estates Manager at Cusgarne School, who agreed to carry out a development appraisal of the void under the school and to work with the Parish Council on projects that could benefit the school and the wider community.

198.4 Cllr Furnish and the Clerk attended a meeting with Mr James Evans (Consultant) regarding the NDP. Mr Evans will go through the current version and incorporate amendments.

198.5 Cllr Furnish met with Mr Stone (Gwennap Church Warden) re existing and future maintenance of the churchyard. Mr Stone is going to arrange a meeting with the Diocese.

198.6 Cllr Furnish attended the MVRG meeting. The key point of discussion was the proposal to become a Community Network Group.

198.7 Cllr Furnish attended GDPR training on behalf of the Clerk and Cllr Hallett who were both unable to attend. The new regulations come into place on 25th May 2018. There is a sizeable amount of work to be done before then, and direct permission must be sought from people's whose data we hold. The Parish

Council will also need to draw up a Document Retention Policy and to appoint a Data Protection Officer. Cllr Furnish will email information to all Councillors and will meet with the Clerk to discuss it further.

17/199 SHARED LENGTHSMAN

199.1 This was deferred to the next meeting.

17/200 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE

200.1 Mr Evans (consultant) is going through the current version of the NDP, and the comments received from CC and various departments following the SEA Screening. He will report back by 3rd week in April.

200.2 The next meeting of the Steering Group will be on 22nd March.

200.3 The roadshow events are due to take place during the first and second weeks of May but these may change depending on progress during April.

17/201 GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

201.1 This item had already been discussed, see Minute ref 198.7.

17/202 GROW NATURE SEED FUND

202.1 This item was deferred to another meeting.

17/203 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY(PROW) / OPEN SPACES

203.1 The Clerk has reported a an obstruction on footpath 307/39/1 to the Countryside Access Team.

203.2 The Parish Council RESOLVED to accept the Local Maintenance Partnership 2018 offer - Clerk to action.

203.3 The Parish Council discussed a recommendation by a local Mining Expert Consultant to fence around the perimeter of the open shaft on the upper open area, and then build a Cornish stone wall 6m away from the edge around it, similar to another shaft nearby. The Clerk and Cllr Furnish will obtain quotes, to include a grill, hinge and lock to the inside of the shaft.

203.4 The Parish Council RESOLVED to instruct Enviro Weed Control to treat the grass at Greensplat's triangle, after some representatives of the Parish Council will meet with Mr Chegwiddden to agree an action plan.

203.5 Cllr Lanyon reported that fir trees are growing out into the road by the Auction Rooms in Crofthandy. The Clerk will investigate and action accordingly.

17/204 HIGHWAYS

204.1 The Clerk noted a complaint by a parishioner about the road that leads from Burncoose to Trebowland/Badger Hill. Cornwall Council are already aware of this site, and are communicating with the adjacent land owner.

204.1 A number of locations around Gwennap parish are included in the recently published resurfacing schedule for 2018, including Trehaddle and Cusgarne. Tresamble Hill is not listed, despite advice from CC that it was scheduled – the Clerk will follow this up.

17/205 GWENNAP CHURCHYARD / FROGPOOL CEMETERY

205.1 See Minute ref. 198.5.

17/206 PARISH ROOMS AND PLAYING FIELD

206.1 The Clerk had received further complaints about the acoustics in the parish rooms, and a request that the Parish Council consider installing sound baffles. The Parish Council discussed this and agreed to look into various options.

206.2 The Parish Council discussed an email from some local childminders re the start up of a weekly toddler group. A proposal was made by Cllr Lanyon, seconded by Cllr Pascoe and AGREED by the Council to offer a £150 start-up grant and to waive room rental for 1 year. Clerk to action.

206.3 The Youth Group hope to provide free safeguarding training to any interested parishioners.

206.4 The Clerk had obtained extensive information from local film clubs and will discuss this with A. Gazzard who had raised the idea of starting up a local film club.

17/207 FINANCE

207.1 A new bank signatories form was completed and signed by Cllrs Hallett, Pascoe and the Chairman.

207.2 Income received since the last meeting: Room hire £118.00, Adverts £84.00, Interest £7.53, (total £209.53)

207.3 Petty cash spend of £485.19 was noted, and the transfer of £100 to the petty cash account was approved.

207.4 The following payments were authorised:

BACS	Cornwall Council	Housing Needs Survey	930.92
BACS	Cornwall Council	Quarterly Grounds Maintenance	163.90
BACS	Mr R Cook	Litter clearing round March 2018	185.90
BACS	Mr K Furnish	Loft ladder for parish rooms	334.15
BACS	M P Chegwiddden	Contract cutting March 2018	789.60
BACS	A Gazzard	Playing field duties March 2018	156.33
BACS	Mrs F Barnard	Salary & expenses March 2018	851.00
<i>Total BACS/DD payments authorised</i>			<u>£3,411.80</u>

17/208 ANY OTHER BUSINESS / MATTERS TO CARRY FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING

- 208.1 Shared Lengthsman
- 208.2 Clerk's Appraisal – to be arranged.
- 208.3 Cllrs to consider nominations for Chair and Vice Chair, to be elected at May's meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm

Signed.......... Chairman (19th April 2018)