

# Gwennap Parish Council

## MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON 16<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2016 at 7pm

Present: Cllr Furnish (Chairman)(KF), Cllr Humble (Vice Chairman)(RH), Cllr Roscorla (PR), Cllr Padmore (MP), Cllr Leach (GL), Cllr Stumbles(TS)

Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Lanyon

Also present: F. Barnard (Clerk), Cornwall Councillor Kaczmarek, Mrs Roscorla

**PUBLIC CLINIC** Nil

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS MEETING

16/031 None

### CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

16/032

Cornwall Councillor Kaczmarek reported that:

- Biffa are taking over the Cory contract for waste & recycling collections.
- He will be attending a meeting on 20/06/16 regarding the loud music, flytipping and horses on the Wheal Jewel site. A member of the Environmental Health department will also be attending.
- The St Day Feast was well attended and successful.
- Cllr Kaczmarek reported that he will be objecting to the Penventon Nursery planning application PA16/02346 on the grounds that there are already three brownfield sites within the local area that offer light industrial units that are currently underused.
- He gave an update on the septic tank dispute at Trenbal, Crofthandy. Both parties are disputing the fault, but a recent survey concluded that the resident is continuing to use unsuitable products.

### MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO APPROVE

16/033

The minutes of the May 2016 meeting were approved and signed as an accurate record.

### MATTERS ARISING

16/034

1. i) Cllr Furnish had drafted a letter to Ms Ryder regarding the fly tipping on her land at Pulla Bridge, which the Clerk had circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting. The Clerk had also sought advice from the Cornwall Association of Local Councils (CALC). The CALC advised that the Parish Council do not have the right to enter the land and clear it because it is private land. Action can only be taken by Cornwall Council or the Environmental Agency.  
ii) Some Councillors voiced concerns with the drafted and letter. Cllr Furnish proposed that GPC write to Sarah Newton MP appealing for her support and asking that she write to Ms Ryder herself. He also proposed that GPC send a redrafted letter to Ms Ryder themselves. The Councillors AGREED with no objections.
2. Nothing further has been received regarding the pre-app for the extension of time for the restoration of the Landfill Site at United.
3. The year end accounts are still with the auditors awaiting sign-off.
4. The PIR lights on the side of the Parish Rooms have now been installed by Mr Kemp (electrician).
5. The Cllrs are still awaiting an update from the Environmental Agency regarding fly tipping at Goongumpas.
6. Cllr Furnish has confirmed that the proposed erection of agricultural buildings at Chapel Farm (PA16/04070) falls within section A6 of the World Heritage Site, but that according to Article 2(3) it is not a restricted area for this type of agricultural development.
7. The Clerk confirmed that the vandalism at Taylor's Shaft has been repaired. It was AGREED that the Clerk should obtain a quote from InSteel for further welding to the shaft grate, and improved gating at the entrance point.

### CORRESPONDENCE

16/035

- 35.1 The Clerk circulated invitations to a 'Giant Man Engine' event at Wheal Jane Earth Science Park on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July 6-9pm.
- 35.2 Carharrack Parish Council minutes of meeting held on 23/05/16 were noted, with no matters requiring particular attention or action.

- 35.3 Attention was drawn to an invitation to apply for GWR's Community Improvement Fund. This was to be discussed at agenda item 17.
- 35.4 The Communities and Devolution newsletter for June had been previously circulated to Councillors.
- 35.5 A letter had been received from Mr Mark Tupman of The Coal Authority, in response to the questions raised by Gwennap Parish Council in their letter dated 31/05/16 regarding flow monitoring at Wheal Maid Culvert. This letter had been previously circulated and would be discussed at agenda item 14.
- 35.6 The clerk had received confirmation from the British Heart Foundation that their grant application had been successful and that GWP would receive an iPad SP1 defibrillator for £400 (also to be discussed at agenda item 11)
- 35.7 Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek had forwarded an email notifying members that Biffa would be taking over the contract currently operated by Cory Environmental for services such as waste and recycling collections and street sweeping. This would have no effect on the contract with the Council.
- 35.8 The minutes of the Cornwall Planning Partnership meeting held on 07/06/16 had been previously circulated.
- 35.9 The Wheal Maid inspection report for June was noted.

## **PLANNING**

### **16/036**

#### Plans for discussion at the meeting:

PA16/01362 By the weed land north of Bissoe Cottage, Bissoe Hill, TR4 8SX, Siting of mobile home (36ft x 12ft) (N.B. Consultation Expiry Date 17/06/16). OBJECT (insufficient evidence of need, inappropriate development on rural site, plans are not sustainable and concerns with traffic issues).

PA16/04333 Little Beside House, Little Beside, St Day, TR16 5PX, Various tree works. The Councillors RESOLVED to refer this case to the Cornwall Council tree specialists for their informed consideration.

PA16/04143 Crofthandy Methodist Church, Crofthandy, St Day, TR16 5JG, Change of use of unused chapel to residential use. SUPPORT (suitable use of the building).

#### **Decision Notices received from Cornwall Council:**

PA16/00773 Primrose Cottage, Consols Road, Carharrack, TR16 5RA, erection of detached dwelling, APPROVED

PA16/00417 The Old Unity Fuse Works, Little Beside, St Day, sub-division of existing dwelling into two dwellings, APPROVED

#### **Other**

Coombe Hill, Bissoe, road closure on 26/06/16 (0930 to 1600hrs) APPROVED

## **REPORTS ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED**

### **16/037**

- 1 Cllr Leach and the Clerk had attended two fete committee meetings and had advised the committee that the Parish Council had agreed to pay half the cost of the gazebo recently purchased (£127.00).

## **MAINTENANCE & PLAYING FIELD**

### **16/038**

- 1 The litter clearing report for June was noted.
- 2 The benches at Crofthandy and Gwennap had been painted by Mr Robert Cook.
- 3 Mr Robert Cook is still to carry out the work instructed to the bus shelters at Pulla Cross and Trelawney Estate.
- 4 It was noted that the PIR lights on the side of the Parish rooms had now been installed.
- 5 Robin Nile had repainted the walls beneath the dado rail. It was AGREED that the woodwork would be repainted at some point after the fete.
- 6 The clerk was instructed to arrange for the collage to be hung. The Clerk agreed to try do this prior to the Community Fete on 25/06/16, but given the time constraints it was agreed that it may be necessary to display the work on an easel at the fete.
- 7 Cllr Leach is due to meet with Cormac regarding treatment options for Japanese Knotweed. Cllr Leach to report back at the next Parish meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> July.

## **DEFIBRILLATOR UPDATE**

### **16/039**

- 1 Cllr Humble confirmed that the three defibrillators already installed are fully operational. More people have been trained and he envisages doing a group refresher session in the future.
- 2 The Football Club have submitted a grant application to Community Chest for £400 for the playing field Defibrillator. Cllr Humble reported the following necessary costs: £453 for a cabinet, approximately £150 for the electrical installation and additional transformer, and £22 for a plaque. The Council APPROVED these costs.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

### **16/040**

1. Cllr Furnish gave a short presentation on Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP), including their background, purpose, considerations and the process. He reported that he had read three Neighbourhood Plans (St Ives and two rural plans from outside Cornwall) and advised that there are currently 2000 NDP's in place.
2. Cllr Furnish advised that Cornwall Council has a Neighbourhood Planning Champion who would be able to offer support and guidance, and that a £9,000 grant would be available until 2018.
3. The Parish Council had lengthy discussions about the possible benefits and pitfalls of creating a NDP, and the ways in which it might be necessary to do it. It was agreed that timing is critical.
4. The Councillors **RESOLVED** to form a steering group, complete the registration process and to meet with the CC Champion, since it does not commit us to taking it any further. The Clerk will forward the presentation and other background documents to all Councillors following the meeting.

## **FROGPOOL CEMETERY**

### **16/041**

- 1 The Councillors had met prior to the parish meeting at 6.30pm at Frogpool Cemetery, with Mr A Blamey, to assess the condition of the footpaths, and in particular the footpath around the top end of the cemetery that requires surfacing within the next 12 months.
- 2 It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should obtain two or three quotes for i) tarmacking of new path around the top section and ii) retarmacking/refurbishing the existing paths around the whole cemetery, in addition to tarmacking the new path around the top section. Cllrs Furnish and Stumbles recommended two contractors and agreed to forward their contact details to the Clerk.
- 3 The Clerk was also instructed to make enquiries about any possible tree preservation orders within the cemetery.

## **WHEAL MAID FLOW MONITORING**

### **16/042**

- 1 A letter had been received from Mr Mark Tupman of The Coal Authority, in response to the questions raised by Gwennap Parish Council in their letter dated 31/05/16 regarding flow monitoring at Wheal Maid Culvert. This letter had been previously circulated to all Councillors.
- 2 It was agreed that Mr Tupman had not fully satisfied all our conditions and the Council **RESOLVED** that Cllr Furnish and the Clerk would send a response to Mr Tupman asking for further clarification/confirmation on certain points.

## **DEVOLUTION & CORNWALL COUNCIL ASSETS WITHIN GWENNAP PARISH**

### **16/043**

- 1 The Clerk had distributed a list of Cornwall Council owned assets within Gwennap Parish to all Councillors prior to the meeting. The Councillors discussed the benefits of opening up a conversation with Cornwall Council about Gwennap Parish Council taking on some of those assets, perhaps under some form of commercial entity.
- 2 It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would email the list to Cornwall Council for their consideration and report back to the parish council.

## **SOCIAL NETWORKING**

### **16/044**

- 1 The Councillors discussed the possible benefits of establishing a public presence on Facebook, to act as another forum for community engagement and to enable the parish council to keep people updated on their activities and to receive comments and feedback (both positive and negative). They also discussed the idea of creating a Facebook group for the Councillors and Clerk as a means of opening up discussions between Councillors between parish meetings. The idea was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Furnish and **SECONDED** by Cllr Roscorla.
- 2 The Clerk will carry out these instructions accordingly.

## **GWR'S COMMUNITY FUND**

### **16/045**

- 1 Following discussions about GWR's Community Fund it was **AGREED** that the Clerk would email a development/project 'ideas' list to all Councillors for their review and suggestions. Feedback would be required by 20/06/16, given the short time frame for applications.

## **FLYTIPPING**

### **16/046**

- 1 The Clerk updated the council on recent occurrences of littering caused by waste bags being put out too early at a property at Treneglos. Incidents appear to be increasing. The Clerk was instructed to report this matter to Darren Collins (Cornwall Council) who could, if necessary, serve notice on the tenant if the problem persists.

## **FINANCE**

### **16/047**

1. Income has been received since the last meeting for : Burial fees: £465.00, Rooms hire: £143.00, Car Boots £209.85, Interest: £7.04, Adverts: £100.50, Frogpool Youth Football rent: £60.00

2.	Cheques were signed in respect of:		
101465	K Furnish	Expenses and hardware	£117.99
101466	F.J. Kemp & Sons	PIR lighting (playing field)	£117.60
101467	PJ & A Raymond	Children's entertainment, Community Fete	£500.00
101468	Cormac Solutions	Quarterly grounds maintenance	£163.90
101469	Gwennap Parish Community Projects	50% contribution towards marquee	£127.00
101470	R Cook	Litter collection & DIY work	£254.74
101471	F Barnard	Salary/expenses June 2016	£589.91
101472	M P Chegwidden	Contract cutting June 2016	£1,332.00
101473	British Heart Foundation	Defibrillator for playing field	£400.00
101474	A Gazzard	Playing Field duties June 2016	£128.00

**ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

**16/048**

1. Neighbourhood Development Plan
2. Neighbourhood Watch
3. Cornwall Council Assets
4. Frogpool Cemetery

Signed.....Chairman

21<sup>st</sup> July 2016