

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
GWENNAP PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE PARISH ROOMS, PULLA CROSS ON
20th SEPTEMBER 2018 at 7.00pm



Present: Cllr Furnish (Chair), Cllr Lanyon, Cllr Patton, Cllr Hallett
Apologies: Cllr Leach, Cllr Forrest, Cllr Pascoe
Also present: Clerk; Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek; Mr & Mrs Stone (PA18/07189); Mr Humble; Mr Davies

PUBLIC CLINIC

- Mr & Mrs Stone spoke in favour of their application PA18/07189. The development has been carefully designed to be sympathetic and in keeping with the neighbouring buildings and its setting. Their plans will involve the creation of approximately 7 jobs over time and will support local artisan businesses.
- Mr Humble advised that the 3 sets of parish defibrillator pads require replacement (approx. £125), plus some batteries. He also asked the Parish Council to reconfirm their agreement to donate up to £200 towards the installation of a defibrillator at the Bissoe bike hire centre (approval previously given March 2017).

18/094 APOLOGIES Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Leach, Cllr Forrest and Cllr Pascoe.

18/095 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS MEETING No interests were declared for this meeting.

18/096 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR KACZMAREK'S REPORT

- 096.1 A number of incidents at Wheal Jewel recently, including a stabbing and a subsequent fight the next day which resulted in hospitalisation of the stabbing victim and damage to the lower tier; and dangerous driving by an uninsured vehicle without tax or MOT in the local area, followed by the vehicle being set alight on the edge of the highway at Wheal Maid. The matter is being dealt with by the police. Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek continues to be exasperated by the lack of action by Cornwall Council, Cornwall Housing and the police. The Portfolio holder has agreed to arrange a meeting with Carharrack, Gwennap and St Day Parish Councils.
- 096.2 He is due to meet with a member of the Countryside Access Team regarding a complaint about damage caused by scramble bikes and 4x4 vehicles to the boundary fence and hedge by United Downs Raceway.
- 096.3 The Environment Agency are satisfied that Chenhale Farm Carharrack are not breaching their UI permit.
- 096.4 Funding has been approved for the installation of mains drains at Poppins Respite Centre.
- 096.5 He continues to strongly oppose the proposed Cornwall, Devon & Dorset police merger which would result in an increase in the precept but few extra police officers for Cornwall.
- 096.6 He thanked the Parish Council for supporting his alternative proposal to the Local Boundary Commission.
- 096.7 He welcomes and supports the proposed development at Trevince (PA18/07189).
- 096.8 He has approved a Community Chest application from the Parish Council to fund the cost of the speed awareness road signs, designed by children of Cusgarne Primary School.
- 096.9 Cllr Lanyon challenged Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek regarding, in his opinion, the ineffectiveness of Cornwall Councillors to keep Cornwall Council under control or challenge it. Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek replied that Cornwall Council provide many good services (e.g. adult social care, children's services) and that Cornwall Councillors have achieved many good outcomes for Cornish people. He rejects the notion that they don't achieve anything. There are matters that are not resolved as quickly as some would like, and he continues to push for action from Cornwall Council about those matters. He suggested that parishioners should lobby MP's regarding planning and land price issues, since those matters are directed and governed by Government.

18/097 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of August's Meeting of the Parish Council meeting were approved and signed as an accurate record.

18/098 MATTERS ARISING – REPORT BY THE CLERK

- 18/078.5 The Clerk emailed the Parish Council's support of the Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek's alternative boundary proposal.
- 18/059.1 The Clerk has resolved the query re the spend limit on the Business debit card – no action/increase required.
- 18/083.1 Some work to cap a shaft is being carried out at Bostols Field, United Downs week commencing 17/09/18.
- 18/08.4 The Clerk reported the emergence of a spring on 307/19/1 on 20/08/18.
- 18/089.2 The Clerk has submitted a Community Chest application for the cost of the speed awareness signs.
- 18/091.5 The total raised by online crowd-fundraising for funds for youth group was £500, including match funding by local business, Killicor Stamps. The Parish Council will hold the funds for the youth group.

18/099 PLANNING

a) **To receive and comment on planning applications:**

PA18/07189 Trevince Home Farm, Gwennap Proposed barn conversion to estate café and shop with associated

parking. Barn conversion to 1 bed cottage. *SUPPORT. Ensure that access onto/off highway is safe and well maintained.*

PA18/07366 The Mill, Trehaddle, Demolish existing building and rebuild along with previously approved extension to look as per approved application PA16/11463 (conversion & extension of studio to form ancillary accommodation). *SUPPORT.*

PA18/07194 United Mines Landfill Site, New building for office/staff welfare on the site of previous building. *SUPPORT.*

For info only (not being consulted on):

PA18/07819 April Cottage access to North Tresamble Farm, TR16 6BH, Submission to discharge condition 3 in relation to PA18/04626.

b) To receive and comment on planning applications received too late to be included on agenda None.

c) To note planning decisions

PA18/01849/PREAPP Pulla Cross Farm; Pre application advice for a detached residence *Not supported*

PA18/06173 Trehaddle Farm, Trehaddle; Single storey oak framed mansard *APPROVED with conditions*

PA18/05908 2 Rose Cottage, Frogpool; Demolition of existing single storey front extension & formation of two storey front extension. Change of use from existing store room, and internal alterations. *APPROVED with conditions*

PA18/05484 Glas Argel, Chenhale, Carharrack; Construction of a single dwelling *APPROVED with conditions*

PA18/05039 Ruby Farm, Poldice Lane, Crofthandy; Removal of existing single storey utility and replace with 2 storey extension. Build new detached workshop and garage close to existing parking area. *APPROVED with conditions*

PA18/05406 United Downs Ind. Park, Submission of details to discharge conditions 3, 4 and 8 NR/10/00056/GEO. S52/S106 and discharge of condition apps

PA18/00688 /PREAPP Myrtle Cottage, Trewedna Water, construction of 4 storey 3 bed dwelling including basement storey *Not supported*

PA18/01716/PREAPP Poppins Respite Centre, Gwennap; Pre application advice for annexe extension to existing short break service to provide additional living accommodation and accessible bedroom and bathroom. *Supportive of application for annexe for ancillary use in connection with respite centre, propose change of use to C2*

d) Update on any ongoing planning enforcements

EN17/01005 Land being used as a landfill site at land north of Lower Tolgullow Vean Farm, Poldice *Ongoing*

EN18/01056 Siting of caravans at Cusvey/Wheal Clifford *Ongoing*

EN18/01005 Demolition of porch and siting of static caravan at 2 Rose Cottage, Frogpool. *Planning permission now granted, static caravan permitted development during building works. Case closed.*

EN18/01376 Alleged large quantities of material being deposited for construction of an outdoor sand school at Chenhale Farm, Carharrack. *Ongoing. Environment Agency investigation CCI8/DCIS/6196 concluded no breach of UI permit. Cllr Lanyon believes the Parish Council should challenge the Environment Agency's response/findings, and request they provide evidence for their conclusions. Cllr Lanyon agreed to draft a letter and circulate it to Cllrs for approval.*

e) To note planning appeals or inquiries

PA18/03106 Land south of Grey Stones, Cusgarne, Outline application for sustainable infill dwelling with formation of emergency access. *Being reported to the Planning Committee on 24th September, 10am. Cllrs Furnish & Leach to attend in support of the application. Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek will also speak in support of the application.*

f) To report any planning problems or possible breaches None

18/100 CORRESPONDENCE

100.1 Letter from the Big Lottery Fund confirming Awards For All award of £10,000 for funding of youth group.

100.2 Correspondence from the Gwennap Residents Association re PA18/01716/PREAPP (*circulated to Cllrs*). *Cllr Furnish to contact Mr Smith to discuss.*

100.3 Email from Mr Humble regarding proposed installation of a defibrillator at Bissoe bike hire centre. *The Parish Council RESOLVED to reconfirm its commitment to donate up to £200 towards the purchase & installation of the defibrillator (approval previously given March 2017 Minute Ref 16/173.8). The Parish Council will not be responsible for the ongoing running or maintenance costs. The Parish Council also APPROVED the purchase of 3 sets of defibrillator pads (£29.95 each + VAT) plus batteries (£8.92 + VAT) for 3 of the 4 parish defibrillators.*

100.4 Email regarding the United Downs Geothermal Community Fund Grant Selection Panel. *It was AGREED that Cllr Furnish will be the Parish Council representative on the panel, with Cllr Lanyon as deputy. The Clerk agreed to submit a grant application to the Geothermal Community Fund for funds towards the play park project.*

100.5 Correspondence re Town & Parish Planning Conference on 4th October. *Cllr Hallett & the Clerk to attend.*

18/101 REPORTS ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

- 101.1 Cllrs attended an NDP Steering Group meeting on 23/08/18, see Minute Ref. 18/102.
- 101.2 Cllrs Patton, Hallett and the Clerk met with members of the football team and Ann Gazzard on 13/09/18 to review and discuss responsibilities and expectations on both sides. It was a positive meeting. The club would like to purchase a memorial bench for beside the petanque court, M. Mallaber to email details to the Clerk. The club would be pleased to have shared use of a garage store behind the parish rooms, with the Car boot & Parish Council. *Clerk to enquire if the football club might agree to contribute towards the build cost.*
- 101.3 Cllr Furnish, Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek & the Clerk attended a meeting with Peter Marsh & Dale Unsworth of CC on 17/09/18 regarding the closure of the United Mines HWRC in 2020. See Minute ref. 18/108.
- 101.4 Cllr Patton and the Clerk met with Young People Cornwall and Ann Gazzard on 19/09/18 to agree the Partners Agreement starting 01/10/18. The Parish Council will be invoiced quarterly for sessions run that quarter. *Clerk to check Young People Cornwall's VAT status.*
- 101.5 Cllr Furnish attended a pre-MVRG meeting regarding the concept of a Rural Community Network Panel to sit alongside the Cambourne, Pool, Illogan & Redruth Community Network Panel.
- 101.6 Cllr Furnish attended the MVRG on 20/09/18. Cllr Edwina Hannaford (CC Portfolio Holder for Neighbourhoods) and Simon Mould (Head of Community Safety and Localism at CC) attended the meeting to discuss Community Network Areas/Panels and Devolution. Although opposed to the concept at first, E Hannaford took on board MVRG's points and has asked for further information and examples and a Rural Status Report to back up the idea. Charlotte Caldwell (CC Community Link officer has requested a list of possible devolution sites/assets from all the parishes - Cllrs to consider this and discuss at October's meeting. Funding is available from CC for replacement of broken PROW signage and stiles – Cllrs to report to the Clerk. MVRG have a small amount available to award grants for local projects – Clerk to advertise.

18/102 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE

- 102.1 Cllr Furnish continues to work through the final comments and changes.
- 102.2 Cllr Patton has completed the Basic Conditions Statement.
- 102.3 Cllr Furnish and the Clerk will include an update piece in the winter issue of the newsletter.

18/103 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

- 103.1 Mr Gazzard and Mr George continue to chase Gwennap CLT's grant.
- 103.2 CLT Training Day scheduled for 10am-4pm Wednesday 24th October, all Cllrs welcome to attend, plus members of the Gwennap CLT Working Group.

18/104 SECTION 137 EXPENDITURE 2018/19

- 104.1 The Council discussed the three main project ideas (agreed August 2018):
 - 1) install play equipment on the green at Carn View - Cllr Furnish to speak to local resident for comments.
 - 2) Build a store garage at the rear of the parish rooms for use by the football club, car boot & Parish Council – football club agreeable to the idea. Possible dimensions 4x6m or 4x10m. Clerk to enquire if the football club will contribute to the build cost. The Cllrs will meet before the next meeting to look at the space and discuss.
 - 3) Additional parking at the parish rooms – Cllr Lanyon to arrange at least two written quotes.

18/105 GWENNAP PARISH COUNCIL GRANT POLICY

- 105.1 The Clerk will have the final Grant Policy and Grant Application Form ready for signature at October's meeting.

18/106 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY(PROW) / OPEN SPACES / ENVIRONMENT

- 106.1 Wild flowers at Greensplatt - the Cllrs discussed option 1 - a day's work and digger to redistribute and level exiting ground for £350, or option 2 to infill low points with 10-12 tonnes of delivered subsoil. Clerk to arrange with local contracting company. Digger required for ½ day to move subsoil around site, volunteers required to level over by hand. The Parish Council chose option 2.
- 106.2 The bi-monthly litter picking report for August and September was noted.
- 106.3 The Wheal Maid Inspection Report for September was noted. Cllr Furnish to meet with a mining works expert ref writing a Risk Assessment Report for the possibility of the Wheal Maid culvert becoming blocked or collapsing.
- 106.4 Campaign to Protect Rural England – Cllr Hallett summarised articles. It was agreed that she will invite a representative to attend December's meeting to discuss ways they might be able to help Gwennap parish.
- 106.5 Woodland Creation Grants – the Council AGREED that it does not own any suitable/eligible parcels of land.
- 106.6 Cllr Leach had provided by email (16/09/18) an update on his meeting with Simon Deverill of CC to assess the recent culvert works carried out by Cormac on byway 307/24/4 near Cusgarne Manor, and the sizable hole beside it. Mr Deverill will report back to Cllr Leach.

18/107 CUSGARNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

- 107.1 Cllr Furnish updated the Council on some works carried out at the school during the summer. It had been necessary for 2 openings to be created in the void space under the school, in order to drop services down. Cllr Furnish proposed that the Parish Council pay for the work to create the openings (£640 + VAT), as previously agreed by the Council (August 2017, Minute Ref 17/083.1). All AGREED. Invoice awaited.
- 107.2 Cllr Furnish to arrange a meeting with the School's Head to view the 3 void spaces and discuss options.

18/108 UNITED MINES HWRC

- 108.1 Cllr Furnish, Cornwall Cllr Kaczmarek & the Clerk attended a meeting with Peter Marsh & Dale Unsworth of CC on 17/09/18 regarding the closure of the United Mines HWRC in 2020, after completion of the Dudance Lane HWRC in Pool.
- 108.2 Mr Marsh confirmed the United Mines HWRC will close. The existing contract is extremely complex, with significant running costs (well beyond the means of Gwennap Parish Council). Data shows that United Mines HWRC is the second most used of the 13 HWRC in Cornwall with 8,650 tonnes total waste a year. It employs 6 full time members of staff. Cllr Lanyon believes footfall will reduce once Dundance Lane and Truro HWRC's open.
- 108.3 The Council discussed the concept of the United Mines HWRC being operated as a community interest company, with a nominal fee per visit and a resale shop on site.
- 108.4 It was AGREED that the Parish Council will continue communicating with CC, and will carry out an opinion survey across the local parishes, via MVRG, to gauge opinion on it closing vs remaining open with a visitor fee.

18/109 HIGHWAYS

- 109.1 The Clerk updated the Council re the continued surface water on the road at Crowsmeneggus despite recent drainage & resurfacing works. Cormac confirm that ground water levels are much higher than anticipated, further works to install cross drains will be undertaken in the short term, under traffic lights.
- 109.2 The Clerk sought permission to purchase a replacement grit bin at Cusgarne, opposite the school, for £290. This was APPROVED.

18/110 GWENNAP CHURCHYARD / FROGPOOL CEMETERY

- 110.1 The Clerk read some extracts from the Local Government Act 1972 on the transfer of maintenance of closed churchyards. The Council asked the Clerk to request that the Parochial Church Council formally serve 3 months' notice to Cornwall Council.

18/111 PARISH ROOMS AND PLAYING FIELD

- 111.1 The Council APPROVED a quote for up to £250 + VAT to cut back trees overhanging the football pitch.
- 111.2 Play Park Project update – SITA Cornwall Trust grant application submitted, awaiting decision on 12/10/18. The Clerk will submit a grant application to Geothermal Community Fund before deadline on 05/10/18.
- 111.3 The monthly inspection of the play park equipment for September was noted. The Annual inspection is due – Clerk to clarify if an annual inspection is necessary if monthly inspections are carried out by a qualified inspector.
- 111.4 £500 was raised through an online crowdfunding initiative, for equipment/resources for the Youth Group. Thanks to local business Killicor Stamps for their generous match funding donation, and all other donors.
- 111.5 Councillors to meet at 6.30pm before October's meeting, to view and discuss possibility of building a garage store behind the parish rooms.
- 111.6 Cllr Lanyon to obtain at least two written quotes for the creation of additional parking at the parish rooms.

18/112 FINANCE

- 112.1 Income received since the last meeting: Room hire £156, Burial £490, Car boots £198.34, Adverts £44, Interest £10.23, Donation for Youth Group £500, Precept £17,250.83, Awards For All £10,000 (total £28,649.40)
- 112.2 September's petty cash spend of £430.49 was noted. Transfer of £150 to the petty cash account was approved.
- 112.3 The following payments were authorised:

30/08/2018	BACS	Contract Sign Systems	21 x speed awareness signs	378.00
20/09/2018	BACS	Morley Penrose Funeral Dir's	10 x grave markers with plates	75.44
20/09/2018	BACS	A Gazzard	Playing field duties Sept 2018	185.90
20/09/2018	BACS	Mr R Cook	Litter picking rounds Aug & Sep	253.50
20/09/2018	BACS	Greens Grounds & Trees	Playpark inspection Sept 2018	72.00
20/09/2018	BACS	CommuniCorp	Clerks & Councils Direct	12.00
20/09/2018	BACS	M P Chegwiddden	Contract cutting September 2018	988.80
20/09/2018	BACS	Cormac Solutions Ltd	Grounds Maintenance Jul-Sep	188.40
20/09/2018	BACS	Mrs F Barnard	Salary & expenses Sep 2018, inc newsletter	1059.03
24/09/2018	DD	Good Energy	Electricity charges 08/06-09/09	233.54
01/10/2018	DD	South West Water	Water services Frogpool Cemetery	19.95
<i>Total BACS/DD authorised</i>				<u>£3,466.56</u>

18/113 ANY OTHER BUSINESS / MATTERS TO CARRY FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING

- 113.1 Garage store at parish rooms. Cllrs & Clerk to meet at 6.30pm on 18/10/18.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm Signed..... Chairman (18th October 2018)