

GWENNAP PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of Gwennap Parish Council held remotely on Thursday 21st May 2020 at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors S Patton (Chair), J Hallett, L Hitchens, R Williams

In Tomas Hill (Clerk), Cllr M Kaczmarek CC and 2 members of public

Attendance:

26/20 APOLOGIES – to receive, note and accept apologies

Cllr Lanyon submitted his apologies.

27/20 DISPENSATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (DPI) AND ANY OTHER SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS (OSI)) – to receive and note (if any)

None.

28/20 RESIGNATION – to note the resignation of Teresa Pascoe and resolve a vote of thanks

Councillors conveyed sincere thanks to Teresa Pascoe for her time as a Councillor.

Teresa Pascoe has stated that she is happy to continue with the Environment and Climate Change Working Group.

Cllr Hallett proposed, seconded by Cllr Hitchens and the Council **resolved** to formally record a vote of thanks to Teresa Pascoe.

29/20 OPEN FORUM: for members of the Parish to make representations to the Council

None.

30/20 MINUTES OF A VIRTUAL COUNCIL MEETING (Thursday 7th May 2020) - to confirm accuracy and approve

Cllr Williams proposed, seconded by Cllr Patton and the Council **resolved** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate account of the meeting.

31/20 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not on the agenda & for report only)

None.

32/20 CORRESPONDENCE (not on the agenda & for report only) – if any

The Council has received a 5-day protocol from Cornwall Council concerning PA20/02839 - Badgers Folly. Councillors were concerned that this was contrary to the Gwennap Neighbourhood Plan and that this was a test case. After discussion, the majority of Councillors 'agreed to disagree' on this occasion.

The Clerk has made initial contact with Owen Mihalop, COO of Strongbow Exploration Inc concerning their newly entitled 'United Downs Project' to learn more of their plans.



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The Clerk reported that a complaint was received concerning the mowing of the colony of rare Lady's Smock flowers by the bus shelter opposite the Cornish Arms in Frogpool. The Clerk had spoken to the contractor who is aware of the flowers and will ensure that these are allowed to grow.

33/20 PLANNING – to consider the following planning application:
PA20/03372 Retention and Completion of Farm Access Track, Erection of Polly
Tunnels & Soakaway Pond - Court Farm Church Lane Gwennap TR16 6BD

Councillors considered the planning application.

A number of questions were made to John Ward, the applicant including the access track but that a number of consultees had yet to respond.

Cllr Patton proposed, seconded by Cllr Williams and the Council **resolved** to defer to the next meeting due to ongoing discussions with Cornwall Council.

34/20 PLANNING – to consider the following planning application:
PA20/03488 Proposed demolition of existing stable and construction of dwelling with garage and stables - Sues Field, The Lodge Sparry Lane Carharrack TR16 5SJ

Councillors considered the planning application and raised the significant issue of it being outside of the development boundary but has various recommendations for additional reports.

Cllr Patton proposed, seconded by Cllr Hallett and the Council **resolved** to object due to it being development in the open countryside, that insufficient information has been provided and that there has been no consideration to the Gwennap Neighbourhood Plan.

35/20 PLANNING – to consider the following planning application:
PA20/03520 Use of land for stationing a residential caravan for family member Coogee Poldory St Day TR16 5HS

Councillors considered the planning application.

Cllr Patton proposed, seconded by Cllr Hitchens and the Council resolved to support.

36/20 VOLUNTEER LITTER PICKER – to formally accept Liam Skelley's offer as a volunteer litter picker

Cllr Patton proposed, seconded by Cllr Hallett and the Council **resolved** to accept Liam Skelley's kind offer of being a volunteer litter picker.

37/20 FROGPOOL CEMETERY – to agree discretionary addition to grave

Aron Walsh has written to the Council seeking an additional memorial at his father's grave. The Clerk outlined further details of the family circumstances leading to this request.

Cllr Williams proposed, seconded by Cllr Patton and the Council **resolved** to agree the discretionary placing of a memorial to be sited immediately below the gravestone (or at a small distance apart from the headstone if it obscures writing).

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38/20 LAND REGISTRY – to discuss registration of Council owned assets

The Clerk has identified that neither the Richard Jory Parish Rooms and Playing Field and Frogpool Cemetery is registered with the Land Registry. The Clerk believes that the land should be formally registered as good practice and to ensure that there are no future issues should the original deeds (if held) are lost or destroyed.

The Clerk obtained an initial quote from a reputable local firm of solicitors amounting to £200.00 plus VAT and Land Registry fees for each registration subject to no complications.

Cllr Patton proposed, seconded by Cllr Hallett and the Council **resolved** to instruct Borlase & Co to register both parcels.

39/20 FINANCE – to include finance report and payments for approval and discuss COVID-19 impact on budget

The Clerk presented a budget monitoring report with payments due amounting to £2,364.99 consisting of the following:

Alzheimer's Society donation £50.00 Clerk – mileage expenses £29.50 SLR – interim invoice £2,285.29

This report does not include direct debit payments.

Cllr Hallett proposed, seconded by Cllr Patton and the Council **resolved** to approve the payments schedule.

The Council discussed the impact of the Coronavirus Pandemic on the Council's budget. Councillors agreed to revise the budget to remove the £30,000 income / expenditure for upgrading changing rooms and toilets, remove the Lengthsman expense, remove the large grants and training.

The Clerk highlighted that the cemetery fees are extremely low and this should form a separate discussion at the next meeting.

40/20 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - matters to be included as an agenda item at the next meeting

Cemetery – charges and plans Wheal Maid PA20/03372

The meeting closed at 20:20

Signed as a true record of the meeting.

Chair