

Gwennap Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT CROFTHANDY VILLAGE HALL ON 26th JULY 2007

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| Present. | Cllr I Herbert (Chairman) , Cllr R Snell, Cllr D Squibb, Cllr R Humble, Cllr K Furnish, Cllr J Ward |
| In attendance | Alan Blamey - Clerk, District Cllr J Whiteley |
| Apologies | Cllr Wharton, The Police |
| Also present : | P Millett, and later in the meeting, N. Webb & V Cousins |

PARISHIONERS' DISCUSSION

1. The Chairman had attended the recent PACT (Partners and Community Together) meeting held by the Police at Penryn.
2. Although the Police were unable to attend, they had handed the Clerk a report for activity during July. Recorded crime was up on the same period last year with six reported offences. The Force Enquiry centre had received 24 calls from the public. Speed checks had been carried out in the United area.
3. The Clerk would take a look at the tree problem at Gwennap Church and report back.
4. Paul Millett had removed fallen branches from Cemetery footpath and contacted highways to remove an ivy bush at Lowertown. Highways had responded to his request to fill in potholes on the road to Point Mills from Cusgarne.
5. The School sign had been the subject of a visit by the County Surveyor's department, so it was anticipated action would follow soon.
6. Paul Millett had contacted the Environmental Agency to investigate the muddied colour of the Lanner River at Trehaddle.
7. The Clerk would write to the County Surveyor enquiring about the possibility of speed humps in the road approaching the school, or a 20 mph limit.
8. The Clerk would contact Paul Chegwiddden to remove a fallen tree on the footpath at Higher Goongumpas.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

07/204

none.

MINUTES.

07/205

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the June meeting be signed as a true record.

ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES.

07/206

1. None of the Councillors who had put their names forward for Code of Conduct training had actually gone. It was essential that this be undertaken and they would be asked to attend when the next dates were announced.

WHEAL MAID

07/207

1. Nothing further could be done to progress the Permissive Path agreement as we had yet to receive advice from NALC. However, initial views raised by Councillors pointed out the absence of 4x4 vehicles from the specification, and the wrong address for the Clerk.
2. A note from Joe Ryan at the E.A. indicated that in 2/3 weeks there would probably be something that they could share with Carrick and ourselves.
3. The Clerk had walked the site recently with our 'Competent Person', Mike Cambridge. He would be submitting his report as soon as possible. It was noted that the grill was missing from the Hale Mills end of the culvert and the Clerk would liase with Cllr Furnish to see if something could be done.
4. Mike Cambridge would be asked to provide an estimate of the cost of a culvert survey.
5. The Parish Council had met with Wheal Jane management recently following their offer to help restore the valley once the extent of the contamination had been established and remedial recommendations discussed. They proposed to fund the works via tipping charges and possibly overcome the culvert problems by diverting the stream into the county adit.
6. The County Council fencing had been extensively damaged again.

7. On 25th July, a 4-wheeled drive vehicle had overturned in the valley and the police arranged for a similar vehicle to help remove it. The Clerk is to ask the Police why such a vehicle was permitted to enter the valley and also of any progress they had made in prosecuting the offenders.
8. The Clerk is to recover the two large signs from Dave Lanyon that should be erected in the valley warning of the dangers of trespass.

WEST BRITON REPORTS

07/208

The Chairman had sent a report to the West Briton for inclusion in their "Down your Way" section and this had been published in the Redruth edition. This now needed to be extended to the Truro version as well. He tabled a version that Councillors discussed as to the type of content suitable.

PARISH NEWSLETTER

07/209

Cllr Furnish presented copies of a draft newsletter and draft Parish website for discussion. Both were warmly received and he will carry out further work before the next meeting. In the meantime, District Cllr Whiteley would try to get a mailing list for the Parish from Carrick as the first quarterly edition would have to be posted to addresses, thereafter it would be on the website and only available by post on request. It was hoped to produce a newsletter by the end of August and each Councillor was asked to find a local aspect to incorporate in the magazine.

Cllr Whiteley would also explore the possibility of including her 'Elderly People' report in the first edition, with the possibility of getting some funding towards the costs.

Cllr Squibb will prepare a piece on the Gwennap Under 3's toddler group.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING CLINICS

07/210

The Clerk had arranged with Carrick to hold clinics in the Parish on Thursday 13th September. They would be staggered throughout the day starting at Crofthandy from 10.00 – 11.30, then Gwennap from 12.30 - 2.00 and finally at the Portakabin, Pulla Cross from 2.30 – 4.00.

Carrick would provide leaflets to drop through letterboxes, but there was now the possibility of including it in the first edition of the newsletter / magazine.

CARRICK D.C. BUSINESS PLAN 2008-2011

07/211

The Clerk would complete the survey along the lines discussed by Councillors.

CORRESPONDENCE

07/212

1. CCC Surveyor had replied to highway matters at Crofthandy and Comford.
2. CCC Env. & Heritage had advised of a change of personnel in the Local Maintenance Partnership Department.
3. CCC Highway Design submitted proposals for the Footway from the Cornish Arms to Pencantol.
4. CCC Mineral Tramways - Minutes of the meeting held on 13th July 2007 were noted.
5. CDC Development suggested Training for Parish Councillors on Planning Matters at a cost of £50 each. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk confirms all seven Councillors and the Clerk would want to attend.
6. Feock Parish Council had advanced their thoughts on local road traffic works that included changes at Old Carnon Hill. When the County Surveyor had produced his consultation paper Feock would invite us to an informal briefing meeting.
7. CDC Planning -An Enforcement notice had been served on occupants of land at Pulla Bridge
8. CDC Electoral Office were carrying out a Review of Polling Districts and Places. They were looking for an alternative to the Crofthandy Village Hall, which they felt was unsuitable and the Clerk had suggested the Chapel rooms.
9. CDC Corporate Services - report on Performance and future plans. Noted.
10. Minutes of the meeting of the Mining Villages Regeneration group held on 19th July. Noted.
11. Minutes of Carharrack Parish Council meeting held on 25th June. Noted.
12. Tony Mogford Associates - quarterly playing field equipment safety inspection report. Noted.

PLANNING

07/213

NEW APPLICATIONS

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| Appn Ref | PA12/0434/07/B |
| Applicant | Mr & Mrs Grubb |
| Location | Penventon Nursery, Treviskey |

Development retention of tea room with canopy
Grid Ref 173010/39750
SUPPORT.

Appn Ref PA12/1173/07/B
Applicant Mr & Mrs Grubb
Location Penventon Nursery, Treviskey
Development retention of railings and fence with hedge planting
Grid Ref 172990/39790
OBJECT.

Appn Ref PA12/1351/07/R
Applicant Mr N Webb
Location Sycamores, Trehaddle, Cusgarne
Development replace pre-fab bungalow with new 2-storey dwelling & integral garage
Grid Ref 175420/40500
SUPPORT.

Appn Ref PA12/1154/07/B
Applicant Mr J Hustler
Location Plots 13-16, United Downs Industrial Park
Development erection of office/workshop, open storage building, lorry parking, landscaping
Grid Ref 174180/41360
SUPPORT.

DECISION NOTICES from Carrick.

Mr & Mrs Whitney, Apryl Bungalow, Point Mills - discharge section 106 agreement. AGREED.
Mr & Mrs Whitney, Apryl Bungalow, Point Mills - ext. to garage and sunroom. APPROVED.
Mr M Masters, Wheal Maiden Barn, Crofthandy - barn conversion. REFUSED.
Mr N Datson, Point Villa, Point Mills - single storey extension. APPROVED.
Mr & Mrs Parker-Price, Carn View, Lower Goongumpas - upperfloor ext. & balcony. REFUSED

OTHER PLANNING.

1. County Council review of tyre shredding facility, Malcolm Drew, United Road. Noted.
2. Pre-application consultation re. T-Mobile request for 25m tower/pole at Little Beside. This was discussed at length, and eventually it was decided to await any formal application before commenting. It was believed that Carrick did not approve of the proposal.

FINANCE

07/214

IT WAS RESOLVED to pay the following accounts: -

| CHEQUE NO. | TO WHOM | DETAIL | AMOUNT (£) |
|------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| 100721 | Cornwall & Devon Media Ltd | Adverts | 35.26 |
| 100722 | Frogpool Methodist Church | Hire of Hall | 36.00 |
| 100723 | Cornwall Asscn of Local Councils | Booklets | 14.00 |
| 100724 | EDF Energy | Electricity supply | 125.02 |
| 100725 | M P Chegwiddden | grass cutting / footpaths | 908.27 |

Risk Management / Internal Control

Cllr Furnish agreed to be the Councillor with responsibility to go through the financial systems and operations with the Clerk periodically.

FOOTPATHS

07/215

1. CCC had given notice that Bridleways 56 and 61 would be temporarily closed between July and December whilst Mineral Tramways improvement work was carried out.
2. Similarly, they had advised that Bridleway 29 would be closed for the same period whilst the new sewage pumping station was built adjacent to the path.

Signed.....
Chairman

23rd August 2007