



GWENNAP PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 11th October 2022, 6.30pm

In attendance: Cllr Richard Williams {Chair} (RW), Cllr Greg Foxwell {Vice Chair} (GF), Cllr Andrea Freeman {AF}, Cllr Steve Trelease (ST), Cllr Veryan Pascoe-Edward (VPE), Cllr Lynn Begley (LB), Chris Ring {Parish Clerk} (PC). Cornwall Councillor Cllr John Thomas {JT} Members of the public were in attendance.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence. Cllr Norma Johns. The Councillors wished her a swift recovery.

2. Declarations of interest: None received

3. Public Session:

3.1 The planning agent for Planning application **PA22/07681** spoke to explain that application and answered several questions from the Councillors.

3.2 The planning agent for Planning application **PA22/07608** spoke to explain that application and answered several questions from the Councillors.

3.3 The planning applicant for Planning application **PA22/07102** spoke to explain that application and answered several questions from the Councillors.

3.4 A member of the public asked when the NDP would be reviewed. RW stated this would start within the next 12-18 months. They also asked about the reduced bus service locally. This will be discussed at the next regular Parish Council Meeting. They also brought to the attention of the Parish Council the issue of overgrown hedges and verges throughout the Parish. GF commented that he had reported several issues to Cornwall Council and suggested that members of the public can also make these reports via the Cornwall Council Website. The Clerk will communicate with Cornwall Council that this is an issue throughout the Parish.

3.5 Lucy Richards as a representative of the Gwennap Traffic group, discussed the merits of 'Village Gateways.' She had communicated with JT and further discussions would take place.

Lucy Richards also commented on the Proposed Affordable Housing Scheme in Gwennap. She expressed that she was underwhelmed by the proposal and had concerns about the design of the access road. Lucy added that she would not like to see this proposal set a precedent for any future schemes. RW added that he had spoken with CCLT and that they had received a comprehensive email from Lucy and that they would consider her concerns as part of their review of all the consultation responses. RW also added that CCLT had made some amendments to the design based on the feedback, such as additional visitor car parking spaces and that this would be discussed in more depth when the planning application is submitted.

4. To receive the monthly report from Cornwall Councillor John Thomas MBE:

This was not received at time of publication. It will be published on the Parish Website when received.

5. Minutes of the last meeting:

It was **MOVED** by GF, **SECONDED** by LB and **AGREED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th July 2022 be approved as a correct record. The Chair signed the approved minutes of that meeting.

6. Matters arising from the minutes:

RW had discussed with the Community Link Officer the Council's concerns regarding the policy on reporting abandoned caravans. RW asked JT to raise this issue with the relevant Cornwall Council Officers.

RW confirmed that Coastline Housing would not be pursuing further any interest in an affordable housing scheme within the Parish.

LB and GF had spoken to a Parishioner regarding the 'triangle' of land at the entrance to Frogpool. They had received advice on how this could be planted and maintained.

The PC had received information regarding weed control which he would send to the Cllrs prior to a discussion at the November meeting.

Time switches had now been fitted to the heaters in the Parish Rooms.

A water bottle refill station had now been fitted at the Parish Rooms.



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7.1 Correspondence:

The PC had received a Complaint re the War Memorial in Gwennap village. The PC had met the Church Warden and a manager from Cormac to discuss. The PC had also instructed the Parish Groundsman to clear the overgrown plants around the monument.

The PC had received a complaint regarding 4x4 use causing a noise nuisance at Wheal Maid. The resident had spoken to the police. The PC has contacted Cormac to help install measures to reduce inappropriate vehicle access to the site.

RW had spoken to the owner of the field next to the playing field regarding young people crossing the hedge into his field. The PC has asked the groundsman to look at measures to help stop people crossing over the hedge.

RW had received communication that the organisers at United Downs Raceway had been granted an additional year to operate at the race track. JT confirmed he had had been part of the discussions and decision making.

Correspondence had been received about the A393 at Treviskey. JT confirmed he was attending a meeting regarding the speed limit on this road the following day and would also discuss concerns raised about the junction at Burncoose and overgrown hedges and verges.

7.2 Mayor for Cornwall:

Following a change in the administration's stance at County Hall, there was no longer the need to consider whether to support a call for a referendum on this matter.

8. Finance:

It was **MOVED** by RW, **SECONDED** by GF and **AGREED** that payments be made as shown in the Payments Awaiting Authorisation Report (shown below) subject to the following amendments:

The invoice for Edd Buckland should have read £240. New AED pads were required for the defibrillators, and the PC would purchase these as soon as possible. The cost would be under £100. The PC had received an invoice from Young People Cornwall for youth work for £1950. This was the regular quarterly payment and a grant had been received to cover these costs.

9. Affordable Housing: There was nothing more to add that what had been discussed under item 3.5

10. Planning: to consider the following planning applications:

Copperhouse and Burncoose House

PA22/04476 Applicant Mr D Williams DJ and CH Williams Partnership.

Copperhouse Road From Burncoose Lodge To Junction At Copper House

Proposal Listed building consent for refurbishment consisting of internal and external works to the dwelling and the external installation of an oil-fired boiler for central heating

It was **MOVED** by AF, **SECONDED** by VPE and **AGREED** that Gwennap Parish Council have **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

Gwennap Parish Council request that the applicants consider a more renewable energy system than oil.

PA22/07271

Proposal Single storey extension to the rear of Burncoose House

It was **MOVED** by AF, **SECONDED** by VPE and **AGREED** that Gwennap Parish Council **OBJECT** to this application.

The application is not in keeping with the existing historic house and the justification for the addition of the extension does not outweigh the historical merits of the building in its current condition.

PA22/07272

Proposal Listed Building Consent for a single storey extension to the rear of Burncoose House

It was **MOVED** by AF, **SECONDED** by VPE and **AGREED** that Gwennap Parish Council **OBJECT** to this application.

The application is not in keeping with the existing historic house and the justification for the addition of the extension does not outweigh the historical merits of the building in its current condition.

PA22/07102 Applicant Liz Ford, Stemak Goongumpas St Day TR16 5JL

Proposal Outline application for construction of dwelling

It was **MOVED** by ST, **SECONDED** by VPE and **AGREED** that Gwennap Parish Council have **NO OBJECTION** to this application. The comments from the WHS were noted but it was felt that the merits of the application outweigh the concerns expressed.



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PA22/07295 Ms M Manners, Rubys Retreat Trehaddle Cusgarne Cornwall
Proposal Erection of two dwellings with associated works.

It was MOVED by LB, SECONDED by RW and AGREED that Gwennap Parish Council OBJECT to this application. It was noted that there had been several objections from members of the public which needed to be fully considered. Gwennap Parish Council consider this application to be too large in scale for the proposed site and that the two properties would not be in keeping on a road which has already been subject to intensive development. It was also noted that this application had changed to include affordable housing and there was concern expressed as to whether the houses would be truly affordable. The application was felt to be opportunistic.

PA22/07761 Mr R Drew Location Purple Haze Lower Goongumpas Lane Goongumpas St Day
Application for planning permission for the proposed erection of a replacement dwellinghouse, a detached garage, the installation of a septic tank and associated works.

It was MOVED by ST, SECONDED by RW and AGREED that Gwennap Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application. The Parish Council noted the statements that this building would be 'eco-friendly' and urge the planning officers to ensure this is carried out by way of conditions.

PA22/07681 Mr F Drake & Mrs S Norman, Chy An Ros Quakers Road Frogpool Truro
Proposed alterations and extension to dwelling

It was MOVED by GF, SECONDED by AF and AGREED that Gwennap Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application.

PA22/07809 Mr Robert Lord, Seven Acres United Mines St Day Redruth
Proposal Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of land and buildings for domestic purposes
Gwennap Parish Council consider this to be a legal matter that should be addressed by Cornwall Council.

PA22/06606 Russell Gilbert, Trevarth House Lane From District Boundary To Trevarth Farm Gwennap
Proposal Lawful Development Certificate for an existing use of access to the property via a second existing entrance to the south east.
Gwennap Parish Council consider this to be a legal matter that should be addressed by Cornwall Council.

PA22/08225 Mrs Sally Taylor. The Cottage Trewelm Lane Crofthandy St Day
Proposal Replacement of garage roof from corrugated asbestos to pitched lean-to roof.
It was MOVED by RW, SECONDED by AF and AGREED that Gwennap Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application.

PA22/08426 Mr and Mrs Barry Dunstan, Rose Cottage Trehaddle Cusgarne Truro
Proposal Porch extension.
It was MOVED by RW, SECONDED by GF and AGREED that Gwennap Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application.

PA22/07608 Mr and Mrs Platt, Rosemere Formerly Penventon Quarry Treviskey Lanner
Proposal Conversion and re-use of existing former concrete works/quarry building to residential use
It was MOVED by AF, SECONDED by LB and AGREED that Gwennap Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application.

PA22/08503 Mr Bennetts, Geor Chapel Gilly Vean Farm Gwennap Redruth
Proposal Retention and completion of works to support the application for the extension of domestic garden land
It was MOVED by GF, SECONDED by LB and AGREED that Gwennap Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application.

12. Planning decisions since the last meeting were duly noted

13. Reports from Councillors in relation to meetings attended on behalf of the Parish Council:

RW had attended one of a series of open days at Geothermal and the regular quarterly meeting of the Mining Villages Network.

AF had attended the latest meeting of the CPIR Climate Action Group



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14. Public open spaces:

There was a brief discussion about weed control but a decision on this item was deferred until the November meeting.

15. Parish rooms:

A new water refill station had been installed and an official 'opening ceremony' would be arranged. JT was thanked for his grant from his community chest that helped pay for this.

New sustainable picnic tables had been delivered.

The PC was still discussing an EV Charging Point with Cornish Lithium and quotes for the work were being sought. A quote had been received from SOUTHWEST PLAYGROUND SAFETY INSPECTIONS for repairs to the playground equipment. It was MOVED by GF, SECONDED by RW and AGREED that this work should be undertaken in accordance with the quote. ST asked if new fittings could be Stainless Steel for greater durability. The PC will ask for this to be considered.

16. Highways and public rights of way. This had been discussed under other items on the agenda.

17. Climate Change:

AF confirmed that a sub-group of the Environmental Group (GPEG) had almost completed the draft Action Plan and this would be put before the Council at a future meeting for consideration. AF also confirmed that the GPEG had been meeting quarterly.

Cornwall Wildlife Trust had attended a recent meeting and the idea of a local farmers forum had been discussed.

AF was working with the CPIR Group and hoped to have 75 trees available for local residents.

AF informed the Council that the idea of a solar farm at Wheal Maid had been put forward but more research was needed to ascertain if this was possible.

18. Any other business: at the Chairs discretion to discuss any other urgent business not available to include on the agenda at the time of its publication:

The Autumn Newsletter is due to be delivered soon and the following Winter edition would be published in early 2023.

19. Date of next Meeting, Tuesday 8th November 2022 at 7.00 pm to be held at the Gwennap Parish Rooms.

10 October 2022 (2022-2023 THIS YEAR)

Gwennap Parish Council PAYMENTS (AWAITING AUTHORISATION) LIST

Voucher Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
144	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Play Area Inspection	Southwest Playground Safety	S	45.00	9.00	54.00
147	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Cleaning materials	Nisbets	S	84.98	16.99	101.97
149	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Printer Ink	HP Smart	S	8.32	1.67	9.99
151	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Ground Works	Chegwidden	S	267.00	53.40	320.40
152	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Ground Works	Chegwidden	S	220.00	44.00	264.00
153	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Ground Works	Cormac	S	423.23	84.65	507.88
154	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Valuation	Edward Buckland	S	125.00	25.00	150.00
155	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Wheal Maid Inspection	Wheal Jane Services	S	145.00	29.00	174.00
145	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Caretaker	Team Gazzard	X	570.62		570.62
146	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Litter Pick	Robert Hallett	X	74.10		74.10
148	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Clerk Expenses	Chris Ring	X	30.17		30.17
150	12/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Payroll	Jayne Angove	X	10.00		10.00
158	28/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Clerk Salary	Chris Ring	X	977.60		977.60
157	31/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	SLCC Membership	SLCC	Z	171.00		171.00
156	31/10/2022	Oct 22 (8)	Current Account	BACS	Scribe Package	Scribe: Starboard Systems	S	924.00	184.80	1,108.80
Total								4,076.02	448.51	4,524.53

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