**Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21st June 2023, 7pm**

In attendance: Cllr Richard Williams {Chair} (RW), Cllr Greg Foxwell {Vice Chair} (GF),
Cllr Steve Trelease (ST), Cllr Andi Freeman{AF}, Cllr Veryan Pascoe-Edward {VPE}, Cllr Lynn Begley {LB},
 Chris Ring {Parish Clerk} (PC).

1. Apologies for absence: None received. RW advised the meeting that Councillor Norma Johns had indicated her wish to resign from the Council. The vacancy would be advertised once formal confirmation had been received.
2. Declarations of interest: None received
3. Public Session:
Two young people from the Youth Club spoke to the Council and most eloquently expressed a list of ideas and suggestions for the Council to consider. The Chair thanked the young people and confirmed that the Council will consider and reply to all their suggestions in writing. He expressed the whole Council’s thanks and presented them with a small gift in gratitude.

A resident spoke and expressed concerns that work by Cormac to Poldice lane was not complete. (ST) confirmed he had visited the area and that Cormac had addressed the issues. The (PC) will contact Cormac to enquire if any additional work is due to be carried out.

The planning agent for PA23/04447 spoke giving a detailed explanation of the need for the manager’s accommodation at the caravan site. The Councillors asked some additional questions and received replies from the planning agent and applicant.

A member of the public asked questions about Wheal Maid and offered pro bono assistance regarding this site.

4. To receive the monthly report from Cornwall Councillor John Thomas MBE: No report received.

5. It was PROPOSED by (RW) and SECONDED by (GF) and resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 10 May 2023 be approved as a correct record. The Chair signed the approved minutes of that meeting.

6. Matters arising from the minutes:
(RW) Confirmed he had received a reply from the Fire Service and that they would no longer use Wheal Maid for training exercises. It was also confirmed that the Fire Service would attend the Fete and bring at least one Vehicle.

The abandoned caravan near United Downs had not been removed. The (PC) will contact Cornwall Council again.

7. Correspondence:

A reply had been received from the Lottery Grants regarding the application that had been submitted for continued funding for the youth work. Unfortunately, this was not successful. The (PC) was, with the help of Young People Cornwall, rewriting the application for resubmission.

A letter of thanks from St Day & Carharrack Climate Action Group had been received regarding a donation made for the Energy Day on 21 May. (RW) confirmed he had attended this and it had been a successful event.

8. Parish Rooms.
The PC confirmed that the Community Capacity Fund application for the project: ‘Parish Rooms Rebuilding - Feasibility Study and Planning’ had been successful and an amount of £18,850 +VAT was now available.
The PC had distributed the various quotes received. It was PROPOSED by (RW) and SECONDED by (GF) and RESOLVED that an additional design company be contacted to also provide a quote and that all the companies be invited to present to an informal meeting of the Council on Wednesday 16th August from 7pm.

9. FINANCE: It was PROPOSED by (RW) and SECONDED by (GF) and RESOLVED that the expenditure, as shown below, be approved for payment.

10. Planning: to consider the following planning applications:

PA23/03328, Applicant Mr R Drew

Proposal Proposed erection of a stable block, backroom and feed store

Location Land At Harmoney Cottage Lower Goongumpas Lane Goongumpas St Day

It was PROPOSED by (RW) and SECONDED by (GF) and resolved that Gwennap Parish Council have NO OBJECTION in principle to this application but the Council endorse the comments from the World Heritage site that the proposed location of the stable block is standalone and is out of keeping with the adjacent existing development. The length of the stable block will add to the visual clutter. The Council agree that the stable block would be better positioned at the western extent of the field.

PA23/02935, Applicant Mr Adrian Colloff

Proposal Listed Building Consent for:- Replacement roof with natural slate roof tiles

Location Little Beside Farmhouse Little Beside St Day Redruth

It was PROPOSED by (LB) and SECONDED by (VPE) and resolved that there be NO OBJECTION to this application.

PA23/04447 Applicant Mr John Evans Bissoe Valley Touring Park

Proposal Provision of manager's accommodation

Location Bissoe Valley Touring Park Bissoe TR4 8RJ

It was PROPOSED by (AF) and SECONDED by (LB) and resolved that there be NO OBJECTION to this application.

PA23/04853, Applicant Mr. F. Drake & Mrs. S. Norman

Proposal Application for Non-Material Amendment to PA22/07681 for a Proposed

alterations and extension to dwelling, namely 1) Addition of external chimney

to South West elevation in the architectural style to follow the existing

chimney on the North East elevation.

Location Chy An Ros Quaker's Road Frogpool Truro TR3 7PJ

It was PROPOSED by (GF) and SECONDED by (ST) and resolved that there be NO OBJECTION to this application.

12. The Following Planning decisions were noted:
PA23/03749 No objections (OHL/OHE/HG apps)

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

(LB) had attended several Fete Committee meetings. It was confirmed that space would be provided for the Parish Council stalls. (AF) would be hosting a stall on behalf of GPEG and asked if the Council could fund the purchase of plants and equipment for this. It was PROPOSED by (RW) and SECONDED by (ST) and resolved that a budget of £150 be allocated to this.

(RW) had attended a special meeting of the Mining Villages Regeneration Group to look at potential sources of funding. He had also attended a regular meeting of the Group where there had been concern expressed about the removal of the website function whereby illegal use of rights of way could be reported to Cornwall Council.

14. Public open spaces:
(RW) and (AF) had attended a meeting with the Cornwall Butterfly and Moth Society to explore potential support for Wheal Maid. There was to be a further meeting later in the week with Costain to consider the transplanting of silver studded blue butterflies from the site to new heathland adjacent to the rerouted A30.

15. Highways and public rights of way:

There were no issues raised.

17. Climate Change:

(AF) reported back on recent meetings she had attended and confirmed that GPEG would be working alongside the Carharrack and St Day Climate Action groups for future events and meetings.

18. Affordable Housing:
(RW) would be attending the West Area Planning Committee meeting on 26 June where the application from Cornwall Community Land Trust (CCLT) for Gwennap village would be determined.

Discussions were ongoing with CCLT regarding another potential affordable housing site in the village.

19. Any other business: at the Chair’s discretion to discuss any other urgent business not available to include on the agenda at the time of its publication:

There is potential for funding for the Parish Room toilets to be refurbished if the larger plans for the site don’t progress.

It was agreed that Housing, Climate Change and Transport should be the three main priorities of the newly formed Community Area Partnership.

20. Date of next Meeting: Wednesday 12 July 2023 to be held at the Crofthandy Village Hall

Wednesday 12th July 2023 at Crofthandy Village Hall
Wednesday 30th August 2023 at Gwennap Parish Rooms
Tuesday 10th October 2023 at Crofthandy Village Hall

Wednesday 8th November 2023 at Gwennap Parish Rooms
Wednesday 13th December 2023 at Crofthandy Village Hall
Wednesday 14th February 2024 at Gwennap Parish Rooms
Wednesday 13th March 2024 at Crofthandy Village Hall

Wednesday 10th April 2024 at Gwennap Parish Rooms (including the Annual Parish Meeting)
Wednesday 8th May 2024 at Crofthandy Village Hall (including the Annual Parish Council Meeting)

