



GWENNAP PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th March 2024, 7pm

In attendance:

Cllr Richard Williams, Chair (RW), Cllr Greg Foxwell, Vice Chair (GF)
Cllr Andi Freeman (AF) & Cllr Veryan Pascoe-Edward {VPE}.
Cllr Julian Hughes {JH}, Cllr Lynn Begley {LB}
and Chris Ring {Parish Clerk} (PC).
Members of the public were in attendance.

1. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Steve Trelease (ST),

2. No Declarations of interest were received.

3. Public Session:

The applicant for planning application PA24/01183 spoke briefly give more details regarding this application.

Mr. Crispin Rosevear, representing United Downs Raceway, addressed the Council regarding the extension of the raceway's lease. During his presentation, he fielded enquiries from the Council members. Additionally, Mr. Rosevear extended an invitation to both the Councillors and members of the United Downs Environmental Group (UDEG) to visit the raceway during a meeting aimed at providing deeper insight into its operations. Furthermore, Mr. Rosevear provided details regarding the various activities and events hosted at the raceway, highlighting upcoming proposed theatre performances scheduled for the summer. Mr Rosevear said that he would share a copy of the lease and that he would welcome the support of UDEG in implementing environmental changes.

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

5. It was PROPOSED by RW, SECONDED by GF and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 14th February 2024 be approved as a correct record. RW signed the approved minutes of that meeting.

6. Matters arising from the minutes.

The Clerk informed the Council he was still investigating the removal of play equipment at Carn View. The Clerk confirmed a litter bin in Frogpool had been moved.

The Newsletter had been sent to the printers and it was hoped it would be delivered in the following week. Other matters arising from the minutes would be dealt with as substantive agenda items in this meeting.

7. Correspondence:

- 7.1 An Email had been received from police re motorcycles on public rights of way. RW had replied to this highlighting the work done by the Mining Villages to address this
- 7.2 Cormac Spring Workshops: Notification of these had been circulated to the Councillors
- 7.3 Email received re bus shelter.

An email had been received expressing thanks that the bus shelter had been rebuilt. It was hoped that this would become a parish feature.

- 7.4 Email received re area at Cemetery: the Clerk had given advice to the emailer.

8. Wheal Maid: Update on works at shaft.

The Clerk reported that the shaft had now been capped with a more substantial cap and it had been decided not to erect a fence thereby saving money on the original estimate.

9. Highways and public rights of way.

9.1 The Clerk reported that he had met with Biffa and the litter pickers, and the new arrangements would start on April 1st. An article had been placed in the Newsletter to provide more information to the parishioners. It was PROPOSED by GF, SECONDED by LB and RESOLVED that the budget to retain the litter pickers be set at £1000 for the new financial year and this would be reviewed after 3 months.

9.2 Post box at Pulla Cross. The Clerk reported that due to damage sustained by the bus shelter, the adjacent post box had been removed. Following repairs, efforts were made to inquire about the replacement of the post box with Royal Mail. Regrettably, we were told that the likelihood of its replacement was low. The Clerk suggested that individuals affected by this should contact the Member of Parliament who may be able to assist.

Parish Councillors: R Williams Chair, G Foxwell Vice Chair
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10. Parish rooms and Playing Field.

10.1 Update on Parish Rooms project: It was confirmed that there would be a public consultation on the choice of designs at the Annual Parish meeting on 10th April. Details had been included in the Newsletter.

10.2 RW announced that the Car Boot sales are scheduled to resume in April. Additionally, RW regretfully informed the Council that he would be unable to continue his assistance with the car boot sales. GF, speaking on behalf of the entire Council, thanked RW for his dedicated efforts in supporting the Car Boot sales over the past few years.

10.3. AF had recently participated in a meeting alongside UDEG and a representative from Cormac to discuss plans for rewilding areas within the Parish. AF had circulated a note and this would be further discussed at the Strategy meeting scheduled for 16 March.

11. FINANCE:

11.1 To approve payments for approval, as below.

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

11.2 The Bank Reconciliations, as checked and signed by RW, were submitted and it was PROPOSED by GF, SECONDED by ST and RESOLVED to formally note these.

11.3 It was PROPOSED by RW, SECONDED by GF and RESOLVED that Aalgaard Renshaw be appointed as the internal Auditors for the forthcoming financial year.

12. Planning: to consider the following planning applications and to resolve whether to submit any objections:

PA24/01148

Proposal Use of land for the stationing of a caravan for residential purposes

Location The Cabin Lower Goongumpas Lane Goongumpas St Day

It was PROPOSED by JH, SECONDED by GF and RESOLVED that there be an OBJECTION to this application for the following reasons:

Although it is a matter of law whether the Certificate of Lawfulness should be granted on the balance of evidence provided, the ten year period alleged by the applicant covered the siting of a caravan which was then replaced by a mobile home. The Council therefore questioned whether the unlawful siting of the same structure in the same place for a continuous period of 10 years had been established by the applicant.

PA23/09766

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for a single storey rear extension of 31m² on the footprint of existing detached building a lean-to coal shed and change of use of land into residential curtilage

Location: Chapel View Farm Hicks Mill Bissoe Truro Cornwall TR48RE

It was PROPOSED by AF, SECONDED by VPE and RESOLVED that there be NO OBJECTION to this application.

and

PA23/09765

Proposal: Single storey rear extension of 31m² on the footprint of existing detached building and lean-to coal shed and change of use of agricultural land to residential curtilage

Location: Chapel View Farm Hicks Mill Bissoe Truro Cornwall TR4 8RE

It was PROPOSED by AF, SECONDED by JH and RESOLVED that there be NO OBJECTION to this application.

PA24/01183

Proposal Retention of Buildings and associated hardstanding.

Location Bissoe Valley Touring Park Fernsplat Bissoe Truro

It was PROPOSED by AF, SECONDED by VPE and RESOLVED that there be NO OBJECTION to this application.



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PA24/00055

Proposal Listed Building Consent for the modification of 5 internal doors to comply with fire regulations

Location Cusgarne Manor Cusgarne Truro Cornwall

It was PROPOSED by GF, SECONDED by RW and RESOLVED that there be NO OBJECTION to this application.

PA23/05326

Proposal: Double storey side extension and porch

Location: Manor Farmhouse Little Beside St Day Redruth Cornwall TR16 5PX

It was PROPOSED by RW, SECONDED by LB and RESOLVED that the Council agree to the recommendations of the Planning Officer

13. To note the following Planning decisions:

PA24/00106 APPROVED

Location:- Coombe Dingle 5 Trewelm Lane Crofthandy St Day Redruth Cornwall TR16 5JW

Proposal Replacement garage

PA23/10166 APPROVED

Location:- Stenak Goongumpas St Day Redruth Cornwall TR16 5JL

Proposal Reserved matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale (details following outline consent PA22/07102 dated 06.12.2022 for the construction of a dwelling)

PA23/10212 APPROVED

Location:- United Mines Household Waste Recycling Centre United Downs St Day Redruth TR16 5HU

14. To receive Councillors reports and items for future agenda

Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.

GF had recently attended a meeting of the Geothermal community liaison group. The minutes had been circulated to the Councillors.

LB had attended a meeting of the Village fete committee. LB gave details of plans for the Fete. The Committee had requested a donation from the Parish Council which was agreed in principle by the Councillors. This would be added to the next meeting agenda for a formal decision on the amount to be given,

JH had attended a public consultation meeting in Chacewater, he confirmed this had been useful and provided some details on projects being planned by Chacewater Parish Council. He also provided information on projects by Suez and Cornish Lithium within Cornwall.

RW had attended an online training presentation from Cornwall Council regarding planning. The Clerk had shared information on this with the Councillors.

16. The Council is invited to pass the following resolution "That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they be instructed to withdraw in view of the confidential nature of the business on contracts and leases about to be transacted":

17. To discuss and agree details of the Clerks employment.

There was a wide-ranging discussion on this item and a decision was deferred to allow the Councillors to give the matter fuller consideration.



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18. To Discuss and agree on tenders for ground works within the Parish. The clerk gave details on two tenders received for ground works within the Parish.

It was PROPOSED by RW, SECONDED by GF and RESOLVED that Paul Chegwidden be awarded the contract for 3 years subject to annual reviews and Cormac be retained for the mowing of the Parish Field, also for 3 years subject to annual reviews.

Date of next Meetings of the Parish Council:

The Annual Parish Meeting: Wednesday 10th April 2024 at Gwennap Parish Rooms, Richard Jory Playing Field, Pulla Cross

The Regular Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday 24th April 2024 at Gwennap Parish Rooms, Richard Jory Playing Field, Pulla Cross

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

Gwennap Parish Council PAYMENTS (AWAITING AUTHORISATION) LIST

13 March 2024 (2023-2024 THIS YEAR)

Vouche	Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
255	Wheal Maid Inspections	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Wheal Maid Inspection	Wheal Jane Services	S	145.00	29.00	174.00
256	Office Equipment	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	microsoft	Microsoft	S	66.66	13.33	79.99
260	Frogpool Cemetery Grounds	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Ground Works	Chegwidden	S	50.00	10.00	60.00
259	Parish Rooms Caretaker	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Caretaker	Team Gazzard	X	422.19		422.19
257	Litter Picking	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Litter Pick	Robert Hallett	X	132.01		132.01
258	Payroll costs	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Payroll	Jayne Angove	X	10.00		10.00
265	Play Area Inspections	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Play Area Inspection	Southwest Playground Saf	S	48.33	9.67	58.00
260	Playing Field cutting & grounds	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Ground Works	Chegwidden	S	272.00	54.40	326.40
263	Stationery and postage	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Printer Ink	HP Smart	S	9.99	2.00	11.99
264	Clerk's Expenses	14/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Clerk Expenses	Chris Ring	X	55.37		55.37
262	Clerk's Salary	22/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	Clerk Salary	Chris Ring	X	1,192.10		1,192.10
261	NI & PAYE cost	22/03/2024	Mar 24 11.1	Current Account	BACS	HMRC P32	HMRC	Z	60.23		60.23
Total									2,463.88	118.40	2,582.28

	Bank Reconciliation at 01/03/2024			
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2023		87,797.35	
	ADD			
	Receipts 01/04/2023 - 01/03/2024		107,519.53	
			195,316.88	
	SUBTRACT			
	Payments 01/04/2023 - 01/03/2024		73,706.51	
A	Cash in Hand 01/03/2024 (per Cash Book)		121,610.37	
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements			
	Petty Cash	29/02/2024	0.00	
	Current Account	29/02/2024	50,062.78	
	Savings Account	29/02/2024	71,547.59	
			121,610.37	
	Less unrepresented payments			
			121,610.37	
	Plus unrepresented receipts			
B	Adjusted Bank Balance		121,610.37	
	A = B Checks out OK			