

MINUTES of A MEETING OF PENTEWAN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL held on WEDNESDAY 21 AUGUST 2019 in THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ST AUSTELL INFORMATION CENTRE at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Derek Yeo, George Muskett, Miranda Smith, Vicky Cartwright, Mike Ward, and Wendy Coop

In attendance: Cllr James Mustoe CC, Anne Cruickshank (Clerk).

(19/081) Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from. Cllrs Miles Avery, Ian Watkins

(19/082) Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 24 July 2019

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 24 July 2019 be signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

(19/083) Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda

Cllr Coop declared an interest in agenda item 14, Pentewan Car Park. Cllr Coop has been granted a dispensation by the parish council to speak and vote on matters relating to the car park until May 2021.

(19/084) Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman had no announcements to make.

(19/085) Public Participation

A Member of the public raised the lack of signage at Pentewan car park, relating to overnight parking of motorhomes. The point was made that it was unfair to the Village to have people sleeping in the car park overnight.

Councillor Ward said that although there were no signs in the car park motorhomes are prohibited under bylaws enforced by Cornwall Council, a blue sign is located at the entrance to the car park on the highway. Cllr Ward acknowledged the lack of signage inside the car park.

Further points were discussed regarding the car park relating lack of markings for the parking bays on the left-hand side of the car park where vehicles are being poorly parked reducing the number of spaces available and the lack of height restrictions at the entrance to the car park.

Councillor Ward said that an enquiry had been made to the planning authority (Cornwall Council) regarding planning permission to erect height restrictions but the advice was that because the car park is in a conservation area it was unlikely to be approved. Cllr Ward agreed to attend the car park and review the options for temporary parking bay marking until funds can be found to resurface the area.

It was **Noted** that the clerk should make an enquiry to the planning Department regarding permission for additional signage prohibiting overnight camping and the possibility of adding height restrictions at the car park entrance.

(19/086) Cornwall Councillor's Report

Cllr Mustoe had reported a tree for clearance on Pentewan Cycle Trail between Sunny Corner and the bridge.

He also reported fly-tipping and vandalism following some illegal camping on the London Apprentice car park on the cycle trail.

Cllr Mustoe advised that Cormac have installed new kissing gates either side of the wooden walkway at Porthiskey on the Mevagissey-Pentewan coastal path which were a big improvement on previous arrangements.

He had notified Cornwall Council that he wanted to call in the licensing application on the layby near Nansladron due to health and safety concerns. And was waiting for them to provide a date for the next committee meeting.

Cllr Mustoe gave the following update from Balfour Beatty on their continuing improvement works at the Menagwins WWTW:

'We are now in the process of 'seeding' the new plastic media filter and that will take us through to early September. Once seeded we will go around and replace the remaining Rock filter arms and that will take us to early November. SAF units (temporary treatment) will be removed from site once the new filter is sufficiently seeded and commissioned.'

Civils works are almost complete and we are now approaching reinstatement stage, with most works hopefully completed in September. The new rock filter distribution chamber and associated connections are programmed for this week with the various steel work installation packages following on.'

He advised that he would provide further information when it was available.

Cllr Mustoe and Cllr Pears (Mount Charles) were approached by McDonalds asking about potential improvements to the Pentewan roundabouts and access to the Old Cattle Market and B&Q Industrial Estates.

Highways came back with the following response:

'I understand that at the meeting held on site in this area previously, it was suggested that major changes to the highway network would be required to alleviate the traffic concerns experienced on the private land in this area.'

I am not aware of any proposals to change the highway layout in this area, and as the car park/ traffic issues are on private land, it is unlikely that public funds can be spent investigating opportunities or scope for improvements.'

A solution might be for the businesses within the retail park to jointly commission a review of the car park access and internal layout arrangements, to understand if improvements can be made to managing the flows and access to and from the highway network.'

Now that the summer season is coming to an end Cllr Mustoe would like to look at organising another Parish clean up in September. He was also arranging some more beach cleans with a variety of groups in September and October.

Cllr Mustoe Congratulated the Parish Council for the successful devolution of the Pentewan Village car park which can now be kept as a valid community asset and perhaps end up generating money for the locale.

(19/087) Crime and Disorder

There was nothing to report.

(19/088) Planning Applications and Related Matters

- (a)
- i) PA19/05886 – Land North of Nanterrow Lower Tregongeeves: Reserved matters application for the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale in relation to construction of four dwellings following outline approval PA17/01656 dated 21/08/2017. It was **RESOLVED that the clerk should respond to the planning authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council would like make an observation that their preference would be that the fenestration and scale of the proposed dwelling at Plot 1 reflect the other plots in the development.**
- (ii) PA19/06683 – Menagwins Sewage Treatment Works, St Austell: proposed building to cover an existing open sludge cake storage area. It was **RESOLVED that the clerk should respond to the planning authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council has no objections to the proposal.**
- (iii) PA19/06298 – Land at Higher Trehiddle Farm St Austell: Reserved matters for phase one of residential development PA14/12161 for 200 homes and associated infrastructure including the strategic link road and roundabout. It was **RESOLVED that the clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council has no objections in principle but are disappointed with the finish and lack of varied materials supporting the different styles of dwelling.**
- (iv) Application for tree preservation order - to note the outcome of the application to request TPO on woods in Pentewan
It was noted that the application had been declined
- (v) PA19/05694 - The Cornwall Hotel Spa & Estate Tregorrick St Austell Cornwall, advertisement consent for a double-sided post-fixed (2 posts) sign. **RESOLVED that the clerk should respond to the Planning authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council object to the size and impact of the sign and that it is a distraction to motorists. The Parish Council note that there are further signs erected by the Cornwall Hotel, Spa and Estate and are concerned at the increasing number of advertising signs and the cumulative effect on the area.**

(19/089) Addendum to Parish Plan

It was noted that the Parish Plan needed to be reviewed and that a separate meeting was required to review the current plan and consider areas that require updating. Later in the year.

(19/090) Councillor Vacancy

There were no applications for the vacancy on the Parish Council it was noted that further advertisement of the post was required and the clerk would prepare a high impact advertisement to be distributed to businesses local to London Apprentice area.

(19/091) Pentewan Car Park

The Clerk reported that charging via the parking meter commenced on 8 August 2019 and that 40 resident permits and 4 Business permits had been issued. Initially there have been some concerns relating to the time each transaction takes to process payments through the machine this can be resolved by changing the broadband to a fibre optic connection. It was **RESOLVED that the clerk will contact BT to arrange for the connection to be switched to fibre optic.** It was noted that the Clerk has made a complaint to the payment machine provider regarding the delays in getting the machine operational and the Parish Council will be seeking compensation for loss of revenue. Resident Parking permits will be valid until 31 August 2019

(19/092) Pentewan Flood Defences

(a) There was nothing to report.

(b) Pentewan Emergency Plan
There was nothing to report.

(19/093) The Shrubbery

There was nothing to report.

(19/094) River Banks

There was nothing to report

(19/095) Menagwins Water Treatment Works/Levalsa Pumping Station

There was nothing to report.

(19/096) Menagwins Car Park

It was noted that the car park was spotless

(19/097) Tregorrick Road Safety Improvements

There was nothing to report

(19/098) Highways Matters

(i) It was noted that a Road Closure Notice has been issued for the road between Chapel Hill to Prentice House Hill Polgooth By CORMAC Solutions LTD to carry out works to their apparatus from 7 to 10 October.(24 Hours)

(ii) It was noted that McDonalds had been litter-picking

(19/099) Financial Matters

(a) Current balances were noted and the following payments were authorised:

BACS	Lyreco	Toilets	£	146.90
BACS	Lyreco	Stationery	£	86.02
BACS	Metric	Parking tickets	£	163.93
BACS	Metric	VAT for Parking Machine	£	858.00
BACS	Biffa	Annual litter bin contract Menagwyns car park	£	253.97
BACS	Staff	Salaries and oncosts	£	1484.66
DD	Cornwall Council	Business rates for toilets	£	56.00

The clerk advised that previous Metric invoices had not included VAT but this was being addressed and did not affect any payments due.

(19/100) Meetings/Training Attended

None

(19/101) Correspondence Received

In addition to the list of correspondence previously circulated, the following was noted

- Complaint regarding parking in Pentewan Square

- Enquiry regarding charging at Pentewan Car Park
- Correspondence regarding advertising van parked in Pentewan Road lay by

(19/102) Dates for the Diary

The Community Network Meeting for St Austell and Megavissy - Thursday 12 September 2019 at 6pm in the committee room, St Austell One Stop Shop.

(19/103) Dates of Forthcoming Meetings

Dates of forthcoming meetings (At 7.00pm in the Committee Room, St Austell One Stop Shop, Penwinnick Road unless stated: 18 September, 16 October (Pentewan Village Hall), 20 November, 18 December.

(19/104) Exclusion of Public and Press

Under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, it was **RESOLVED that because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for agenda item 22.**

(19/105) Staffing Matters

See Confidential Minute.

The meeting closed at 8.38 pm

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Chairman

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Date