

MINUTES of a MEETING OF PENTEWAN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL held on WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2017 in The Committee Room, St Austell One Stop Shop at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Derek Yeo (Chairman), George Muskett, Mike Ward, Miranda Smith, Liz Mahoney, Ian Watkins, Vicky Cartwright, Miles Avery

In attendance: Julie Larter (Clerk), Cllr James Mustoe, CC, Jody Jeffry - Senior Planning Manager- Redrow, 2 members of the public.

(16/182) Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Curr and PCSO Dingle

(16/183) Minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2017

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2017 be signed as a correct record of the meeting.

(16/184) Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

(16/185) Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman did not have any announcements to make.

(16/186) Public Participation

No members of the public wished to speak.

(16/187) Cornwall Councillor's Report

Cllr Mustoe reported that he will be meeting South West Water at the end of this month and the Chairman hopes to attend. Cllr Mustoe has been trying to progress the works on the B3293 at London Apprentice but it appears that Cornwall Council and South West Water are disputing responsibility. Cllr Ward stressed it was important to avoid long term works like those near the China Clay Museum.

(16/188) Devon and Cornwall Police Report

The Clerk read PCSO Dingle's written report. 5 crimes had been reported between 13 January 2017 and 12 February 2017; 1 malicious communication, 1 criminal damage, 1 burglary, 1 drink drive and 1 theft. This was the same number as reported in the same period last year.

Cllr Ward reported that the Police are reducing the number of PCSOs and it was uncertain at the moment whether this could affect the parish.

(16/189) Planning Applications and Related Matters

(a) PA16/11994 – Land at Coyte Farm – Outline Planning Permission for the construction of up to 150 homes, public open space, landscaping and all associated infrastructure works, with all matters reserved except access

It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) with the following comments.**

Pentewan Valley Parish Council is pleased with the level of engagement shown by the applicant and the transparency of questions answered. The Council recognises the quality of the development.

However the land has not been allocated for development in the St Austell Site Development Allocation Plan document and objects to the proposal. The Council has concerns about the pressure on infrastructure the development would cause. The proposed junction on A390 would have an impact on the flow of traffic and would contribute to the poor air quality in the St Austell area.

(b) PA16/07228 – Dairy Quarry, Pentewan: Review of Mineral Planning Permissions First Periodic Review

Members ask the Clerk to speak to the Planning Officer for more detail of the mitigation of traffic crossing the Coastal Clay Trail. Members are concerned that visibility for and of cyclists needs to be improved. They recommended that a century is in position when blasting is to take place.

(16/190) Pension Auto Enrolment

See Confidential Minute.

(16/191) Pentewan Lorry Incident

In January a B & Q lorry entered Pentewan via Pentewan Hill and got stuck in the village causing inconvenience to residents.

Superintendent Drummond-Smith of Devon and Cornwall Police has written to Cornwall Council asking for consideration to be given to a new Traffic Regulation Order and to install enforceable road signs. The current signs near Lobbs Shop are only advisory. Cornwall Council has responded by saying that it does not have the money for this. Cllr Mustoe has asked B & Q to pay for the TRO. Steve Double MP has sent a letter to Pentewan residents together with a survey and will try to press Cornwall Council to make the TRO.

By way of apologising to residents, B & Q has offered to supply plants to Pentewan and Cllr Mustoe and the Chairman will meet to discuss appropriate species.

(16/192) The Shrubbery, Pentewan

It appears that The Shrubbery was gifted by The Trewithen Estate to residents of the village. Currently residents of The Terrace occupy the land for gardens and parking. Rent used to be paid to the Residents Association. Following the creation of the Parish Council, the Residents Association was dissolved and no rent is now paid. There is concern about who is liable for trees on the land. It was **RESOLVED that the Parish Council has no directional control over the land, does not seek to do so and will take no action.**

(16/193) Pentewan Flood Defences (Pentewan Emergency Plan)

The document is being progressed.

(16/194) Coastal Flooding Risk

The Environment Agency has cleared the sandbar but following an easterly wind it has blown back in place. The Clerk was asked to request its clearance again. It was noted that some blocks have been lost from the harbour wall in recent gales. Cllr Mustoe will see if there has been any progress following a meeting with Cornwall Council and the Environment Agency last autumn. There is a rumour that water is being pumped from Blackpool pit into the White River and the Chairman will try to find out.

(16/195) River Banks

There was nothing to report.

(16/196) Menagwins Water Treatment Works/Levalsa Pumping Station

The next meeting of the Odour Liaison Group will be held in March.

(16/197) Menagwins Car Park

Litter continues to be an issue.

(16/198) Highways Matters

It was noted that there had been an incident at the new bus shelter in Pentewan but following an inspection of the shelter by Pentewan councillors, it was felt that the bus shelter and surrounding area did not play a part in this. It was again noted that the waste bin adjacent to the old bus shelter was a hazard to pavement users and should be moved. Cllr Ward and Cllr Avery will carry out a risk assessment prior to the next council meeting.

It was noted that the gullies in Tregorrick are still waiting to be cleansed, as is scraping Tregorrick Road. Cllr Mustoe will chase.

It was noted that the growth by the side of the traffic lighted section of the B3273 in London Apprentice was growing into the road and the Clerk was asked to report this to Highways.

It was noted that an amount of sand has been dumped in the first layby after Tregorrick on B3273 and the Clerk will investigate.

(16/199) Meetings/Training Attended

29 January – The Chairman attended St Austell Mayor's charity evening

24 January – The Clerk attended Cornwall Council's Agency Agreement Working Group. The group is looking at standardising agency agreements between Cornwall Council and town and parish councils and this meeting concentrated on LMP for cutting PRoW and the SWCP and Closed Churchyards

1 February – The Clerk attended a meeting of the Smaller Councils Group of the SLCC. Sarah Mason from CALC gave a presentation on process for the forthcoming elections and the Boundary Review and Governance Review due before the 2021 elections

9 and 10 February – The Clerk attended Community Governance Study days

15 February – The Clerk attended the annual LCAS Risk Management workshop

(16/200) Financial Matters

(a) Electricity Contract for Pentewan Public Conveniences

It was **RESOLVED to enter into a 2 year fixed term plan with British Gas for the supply of electricity to the toilets.**

(b) Report from the Internal Auditor
An interim report from the internal auditor was noted.

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

Cheques			£
000 358	Cornwall Signs	Repairs to Kingswood noticeboard	£101.40
000 359	Mrs J Ringrose	Internal Audit fee	£25.00
000 360	Lyreco	Stationery	£81.76
000 361	Mrs J Larter	February salary	*
Automated Payments			
DD	Cornwall Council	Business Rates for Menagwins Car Park	82.00

*Publication of salary payments is excluded under the Data Protection Act

(16/201) Correspondence Received

A list of correspondence had previously been circulated with the agenda papers and the following items had been subsequently received:

- Cornwall Council Devolution Bulletin outlining Operation Hedgehog. Cllr Smith reported that she is concerned about the number of hedgehogs being killed on the road (there had been 5 killed on B3273 at Pentewan over the past week) and she is keeping a hedgehog log. Cllr Smith would like appropriate signage and is investigating
- Cornwall Council Devolution Bulletin about road safety and drainage repairs
- Reminder about the Community Network briefing about the proposed A30 link road on 20 February

(16/202) Dates for the Diary

20 February – Community Network Panel briefing about the proposed A30 link road – 6.00pm
St Stephen Community Centre

(16/203) Dates of Forthcoming Meetings

(To be held in the Committee Room, St Austell One Stop Shop unless stated otherwise all commencing at 1900)

22 March (Pentewan Village Hall), 19 April – also Annual Parish Meeting (Pentewan Village Hall), 17 May – Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, 21 June, 19 July, 16 August (if required), 20 September, 18 October, 22 November, 20 December.

(16/204) Exclusion of Public and Press

Under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it was **RESOLVED to exclude the public and press for agenda item 19.**

(16/205) Local Maintenance Partnership

(a) Public Rights of Way

It was **RESOLVED** to award the contract to cut **Public Rights of Way in the Parish to A & A Garden Maintenance for 3 years** subject to continued funding from Cornwall Council.

(b) South West Coast Path

It was **RESOLVED** to award the contract to cut the stretch of the **South West Coast Path within the Parish to A & A Garden Maintenance for 3 years** subject to continued funding from Cornwall Council.

The meeting closed at 8.58 pm

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CONFIDENTIAL MINUTE

(16/190) Pension Auto Enrolment

It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would set up a scheme with NEST. The Clerk's accrued gratuity is to be paid into the scheme. The Parish Council will contribute 3.75% of the Clerk's monthly salary and this will increase to 10% once the scheme has been set up.

Cllr Watkins agreed to check the amount of the accrued gratuity that the Clerk has calculated.

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