



PENTEWAN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Pentewan Valley Parish Council to be held at Saint Austell Arts Centre, Truro Road, Saint Austell PL25 5HJ on Wednesday 19 June 2024 at 7:00pm.

Present: Cllrs Mike Ward, Toni Dowrick, Janice Williams, George Muskett, Richard Strawford, Miles Avery, Andy Cleverdon Steve Street and Vicky Cartwright.

In attendance: Cllr Michael Bunney and Anne Cruickshank (Clerk).

(24/029) Signature of Declaration of Acceptance of Office

The Vice Chairman duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, witnessed by the Clerk.

(24/030) The General Power of Competence

It was determined that the Council meets the criteria for eligibility for the General Power of Competence and it was **RESOLVED to adopt the power.**

(24/031) Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr James Mustoe.

(24/032) Minutes of a Meeting of Pentewan Valley Parish Council

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council held 22 May 2024, be signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

(24/033) Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda

Cllrs Avery & Strawford declared an interest in agenda item 18d, Pentewan Car Park. Cllrs Strawford had been granted a dispensation by the parish council to speak and vote on matters relating to the car park until May 2025.

(24/034) Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman requested the clerk to advise the council of the Pre-Election Period (PEP) Rules which had been circulated.

(24/035) Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

(24/036) Crime and Disorder

The newly repaired fence along Pentewan Road by the Swales Road junction had been vandalised, this had been reported to Highways.

(24/037) Planning and Related Matters.

(i) PA21/12707. Proposal Hybrid planning application consisting of full planning permission for the erection of 80 dwellings (Use Class C3) and outline planning permission for 2,000 sqm of commercial, business and service space (Use Class E), provision of part of new link road, public open space, drainage, and associated infrastructure. Location Land at Pentewan Road St Austell Cornwall PL25 5BY.

Cllr Avery proposed that the Parish council Object to the application based on previous concerns raised around affordable/social housing and the highway concerns seconded by Cllr Strawford.

Cllr Muskett proposed that the Parish Council remove the current objection subject to the conditions agreed regarding the jubilee trees, the link road and £25k towards traffic calming

Voting took place in on the proposals in the order they were received, and it was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the Planning Authority, Cornwall Council stating that the Parish Council still objects to this application because position on affordable housing has not been addressed. Evidence collected during the developing of a NDP shows that market housing would be unobtainable to most locals. This evidence suggests that the affordable and social rented sector could perform a vital function in Pentewan Valley Parish as the only option for a large segment of those in the greatest need. The Parish Council is disappointed that the Highways matters have not been fully considered, the development will have a significant impact on the traffic at the A390/Pentewan Road junction and the surrounding roads, the offer of £25k (S106) towards vital traffic calming measures would be essential should the application be approved.** 5 in favour 2 against and 2 abstained.

(24/038) Climate, Ecology & Environment Advisory Committee.

Notes from the last meeting had been circulated. Cllr Muskett advised that details and costs for the Gewans tree planting project had been passed to the land owner for comments and agreement. The planting at menagwins car was completed on 7 June, it was suggested that the area could be fenced off and a quote had been received for a picket fence at £825.00 the clerk advised that if 2 further quotes were obtained the item could be on the agenda for the next meeting.

(24/039) Neighbourhood Development Plan

Notes of NDP steering group meeting had been circulated. Cllr Street advised that the funding bid had been submitted for the next stage of the NDP. Quotes had been received from Plan Support for continued consultancy and from Go Collaborate for public engagement and online consultation platform the costs would be in the region of £5000 for both and covered by the funding if the bid is approved. It was **RESOLVED to accept the quotes related to the project subject to funding being awarded.**

(24/040) Community Levelling Up Programme

The clerk advised that the funding bid application had been submitted, there were

issues relating to planning permission. The Village Hall Trust are waiting to hear if the bid had been approved.

(24/041) Pentewan Off Street Parking Orders - Review of Charges

The Clerk presented the report and options to the council
Cllr Ward proposed that option 4 but that the charging period be change to 9am until 7pm seconded by Cllr Cartwright.
Cllr Strawford proposed option 3 with changes to the charging period to 9am – 7pm
Voting took place in on the proposals in the order they were received, and it was **RESOLVED to accept Option 4 with the amendments and recommendations contained in the report.** 7 in favour 2 against.

(24/042) Riverbanks

Cllr Strawford commented that an area of erosion had reached the cycle trail by the little car park, this had been previously reported and requested a follow up, the clerk would contact EA.

(24/043) Menagwins Car Park

There were no issues.

(24/044) Highways Matters

The quote for grass cutting along the A390 verge had been received £918.75 from St Austell Council it was **RESOLVED to accept the quote for this year.**

(24/045) Pentewan Car Park

The vegetation on the wall was again obstruction the view when exiting the car park. The clerk will contact the contractor to get it cut back.
Cllr Avery reported that birds have been taking rubbish out of the litter bin and asked if the bin could be replaced with one the same as those in the square. The clerk would contact Cormac to see if they will change it or get some quotes
Cllr ward asked if quotes could be sorted to have the car park wall weeded and pointed to strengthen the wall and prevent vegetation growth in the future. The clerk will get some quotes.
The fence had again been damaged the clerk would get he contract to take a look and quote for the repair.

(24/046) Pentewan Toilets

There were no issues, but it was noted that the toilets had been painted inside and looked much cleaner since the new contractor had taken over.

