

MINUTES of a MEETING of PENTEWAN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL held on WEDNESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2015 in the Committee Room, St Austell One Stop Shop at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllrs Derek Yeo (Chairman), George Muskett, Miles Avery, Ian Watkins, Liz Mahoney

In attendance: Cllr James Mustoe CC, PCSO Tony Hemming, Julie Larter - Clerk
3 members of the public were present

(15/068) Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Ralph Curr and Cllr Vicky Cartwright.

(15/069) Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on 22 July 2015

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on 22 July 2015 be signed as a correct record of the meeting.

(15/070) Declarations of Interest and Gifts and Hospitality

- (a) There were no declarations of Pecuniary Interest.
- (b) Cllr Avery declared a non-registerable interest in agenda item 11 as his father is currently maintaining the war memorial.
- (c) There were no requests for dispensations.
- (d) There was nothing to record in the Gifts and Hospitality register.

(15/071) Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman had no announcements to make.

(15/072) Public Participation

The Chairman was aware that members of the public present wished to speak about a particular planning application and said he would take comments when that matter appeared on the agenda.

(15/073) Devon and Cornwall Police Report

PCSO Hemming stated that 6 crimes had been reported between 15 June and 15 September, 1 x criminal damage to property, 1 x theft of a motor vehicle, 2 x common assault, 1 dog not under proper control and 1 x threatening behaviour. PCSO Hemming added that he is still aware of speeding issues in the parish and is hoping to undertake a speed monitoring exercise before the next meeting.

PCSO Hemming then went on to say that the current Neighbourhood Beat Officer has resigned and at the moment there are no plans for an immediate replacement, meaning PCSO Hemming will be the only Police presence in the parish for the foreseeable future, although the response team is available for 999 calls. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk should write to the Chief Constable expressing the Council's concern about the current situation. Cllr Mustoe offered to write to the Chief Constable also.

The Chairman informed PCSO Hemming of the recent incident of fly tipping asbestos waste in the car park and PCSO Hemming offered to keep the area under surveillance. The Chairman referred to Cornwall Council's current Street Trading Review and asked for clarification on the definition of a pedlar and PCSO Hemming said he would find out.

The Chairman thanked PCSO Hemming for attending the meeting.

(15/074) Cornwall Councillor's Report

Cllr Mustoe reported that together with Steve Double and the Chairman he attended a meeting with South West Water at Menagwins on 26 August to discuss longstanding concerns. Cllr Mustoe has written to local residents about the problem and has had an excellent response rate. It has been agreed to set up an Odour Liaison Group.

Cllr Mustoe attended the Strategic Planning Committee meeting on 27 August where the Higher Trewiddle application was approved. He confirmed that Kingsley Developments were willing to make a payment to the Parish Council of £25,000 towards environmental projects once the retail options are sorted.

Cllr Mustoe reported that the Members' Scheme for highways improvements to Tregorrick Road that had been agreed with former councillor Mike Bunney has been resurrected. Cllr Mustoe has also chased Cormac to get hedges cut in London Apprentice.

Cllr Mustoe mentioned a meeting in St Dennis on 21 September with Tony Hogg the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Finally Cllr Mustoe circulated a press release he is making urging Cornwall Council to reconsider its strategy on funding public toilets.

(15/075) Planning Matters

(a)

(i) PA15/07341 - Former Methodist Chapel, London Apprentice: Conversion of building to form single residential unit (decision C2/09/01594) with variation of conditions 2 and 8 relating to flood risk and glazing. It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council has no objections to the application.**

(ii) PA15/06675 - The Cornwall Hotel Spa and Estate: Proposed extension to existing hotel to provide a function room/conference facility together with an extension to the Brasserie Restaurant

It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council has no objections but would have preferred to have seen a more sympathetic design for the conference centre that would blend in with the existing structure.**

(iii) PA15/05015 - The Stables, Mulvra Farm, London Apprentice: Conversion of agricultural building (The Stables) to form residence with ancillary living accommodation (part retrospective)

Mr Peddar, the applicant, outlined amended plans and stated that he wants the project completed and is trying to make the buildings blend in with the environment. The Chairman said that the amended plans were an improvement but was concerned that if the Parish Council raised no objections to this application it could leave itself open to future retrospective applications. The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with the planning officer to discuss the matter.

(b) It was noted that PA14/12161 - Higher Trehiddle Farm had been approved by the Strategic Planning Committee and that PA15/06044 - Pentewan Valley Nurseries had now gone to appeal.

(15/076) Cornwall Council Street Trading Review

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk should reply to the consultation with the following answers:

- Q 1 Yes
- Q 2 Yes
- Q 3 Public car parks and off street parking areas
- Q 4 Yes
- Q 5 No
- Q 6 Yes
- Q 7 No
- Q 8 Yes, 10 metres
- Q 9 No
- Q 10 Yes
- Q 11 No
- Q 12 No
- Q 13 Parish Council

(15/077) Pentewan Public Conveniences

No tenders have been submitted to Cornwall Council and members felt the Parish Council had no alternative but to take over running the toilets. It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should inform Cornwall Council that the Parish Council is willing to take a lease on the property but needs to be satisfied that there are no outstanding maintenance issues on the building before signing any documents.** The Clerk was asked to obtain quotes for installing paying machines.

(15/078) Pentewan War Memorial

Councillors considered a request from Mr Francis for the Parish Council to take over the maintenance of the war memorials in Pentewan. Councillors agreed in principal and suggested that a working party be set up in the village to undertake the work, with the Parish Council funding the purchase of any supplies needed. More information was required about what would be involved. Cllr Mustoe suggested that the group could approach him for a grant from his Community Chest if required.

(15/079) First Aid Training

Cllr Avery is to obtain a quote for training from the Red Cross. It was agreed that a note should be put on the Pentewan website to gauge interest. The matter was deferred to the October meeting.

Ongoing Parish Matters

(15/080) Pentewan Flood Defences

The grant of £500 for a Community Emergency Plan has now been received. Cllr Avery is to clear the area where a small storage cabinet is to be sited and money is to be spent on road signs and torches. It was agreed that consideration needs to be given as to the best way convert the Pentewan Flood Plan into an Emergency Plan.

(15/081) River Banks

There was nothing to report.

(15/082) Menagwins Water Treatment Works/Levalsa Pumping Station

As noted in Cllr Mustoe’s report a meeting was held on 27 August and it was agreed to set up an Odour Control Group. The Chairman and Cllr Mustoe will be involved together with local residents.

(15/083) Menagwins Car Park

An amount of asbestos roofing material had been fly-tipped in the car park and the Clerk reported that she used her powers under point 4.5 of the Council’s Financial Regulations permitting emergency expenditure to clear the site. Vegetation in the car park needs cutting back and the Chairman will arrange this. It was reported that the drainage channel by the cattle grid is blocked causing flooding. The Clerk reported this to Cornwall Council in July but will chase again. The interpretation board was deferred to the October meeting.

(15/084) Highways Concerns

(i) Members discussed the issue raised by a Polgooth resident of the inappropriateness of large vehicles using the road between Polgooth and London Apprentice and the subsequent response received from Cornwall Council. Members felt there was little that could be done but Cllr Mustoe offered to find out how to go about informing satellite navigation companies that routes need to be changed.

(ii) A Road Closure Notice for 1 October between 1800 and 1930 hrs relating to the road between The Cornwall Hotel up the B3273 into St Austell was noted.

Cormac has a backlog of requests for its speed monitoring equipment and has not yet been able to undertake the promised monitoring of Tregorrick Road.

Cllr Watkins raised the matter of inadequate lighting between the rugby club and the hospice and Cllr Mustoe is to find out if there is any funding available to install further street lights.

Cllr Avery reported that a drain at the entrance to the village is blocked and Cllr Mahoney will advise the Clerk of its identification number in order that the matter can be reported to Cormac.

Cllr Avery reported that the hedge leading from the bus stop towards the Treviskey turning has been cut but debris has been left on the pavement.

(15/085) Parish Logo

Cllr Avery reported that Penrice Academy is running a competition for students to design a logo and this will run until half term. **It was RESOLVED to award vouchers to the winners amounting to £30 for 1st prize, £20 for 2nd prize and £10 for 3rd prize at the discretion of the Parish Council.** Designs already on file will be considered also.

(15/086) Meetings/Training Attended

26 August - The Chairman attended a meeting with Steve Double MP, Cllr James Mustoe and South West Water to discuss ongoing odour problems at Menagwins Water Treatment Works

27 August - The Chairman represented the Parish Council at the Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

The Chairman attended an event at the recent Cornish Gorsedd

27 August - 4 September - The Clerk took part in a study trip to Basle as part of her Community Governance course. (The trip was funded by the Clerk).

(15/087) Financial Matters

Current balances were noted and it was **RESOLVED to authorise the following payments:**

000263	Lyreco	Stationery	£32.96
000264	CALC	Being a Better Councillor Training (Cllr Mahoney)	£60.00
000265	Information Commissioner	Data Protection renewal	£35.00
000266	Mrs J Larter	August salary	*
000267	Mrs J Larter	September salary	*
000268	HMRC	PAYE collected	*

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

(15/088) Correspondence Received

The following correspondence was noted

- Details of "Architecture in Cornwall" presentation on 3 September
- Call for brownfield sites to inform the Cornwall Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment and a Register of Brownfield Sites
- Email from Cornwall Community Flood Forum enclosing a letter sent to MPs and giving details of the AGM on 1 October
- Consultation on the Revision of Statement of Principles in respect of The Gambling Act 2005
- Communities and Devolution Bulletin July
- Library and One Stop Review - the next steps
- Email from The Case for Cornwall
- Email from Phil Mason re paperless planning
- Cornwall Countryside Access Forum - details of vacancies
- Peninsula news - summer edition of the quarterly magazine from Peninsula Community Health
- Details of the Government Grassroots Sports Strategy Consultation
- Tir Teg - Cornwall AONB's Summer 2015 newsletter
- Email from Alan Percy, Chairman North Coast Cluster Group following a meeting with Cllr Edwina Hannaford to discuss paperless planning
- Request from St Austell RFC for a letter of support to assist with their application for grant funding
- Copies of correspondence from a Pentewan resident regarding parking concerns arising from the duck races at Nansladron
- Cornwall Sports Partnership newsletter
- Survey from Cornwall Council about paperless planning - Clerk completed
- Community Safety newsletter
- Communities and Devolution September bulletin
- Details of Waste Incentive Neighbourhood Scheme
- Email from Lanner Parish Council regarding paperless planning
- Invitation to attend Cornwall Council's planning conferences
- Communities and Devolution bulletin re CRB checks for members

- For Cornwall newsletter
- Email from CALC asking the parish council to complete a survey NALC is conducting regarding its campaign for public toilets to be exempt from business rates - clerk completed
- Letter from Steve Double regarding a letter he recently sent to the DCLG regarding business rates for public toilets

(15/089) Dates for the Diary

24 September - Community Network Panel meeting

30 September - Localism summit

1 October - Cornwall Community Flood Forum conference

15, 28 October and 23 November - Cornwall Council Planning Conferences

(15/090) Dates of Meetings

Ordinary meetings: (all in the Committee Room, One Stop Shop, Penwinnick Road) 21 October, 18 November, 16 December 2015

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

Cllr Mustoe mentioned that Steve Double's constituency office in Fore Street will be hosting a coffee morning as part of Macmillan's Worlds Largest Coffee Morning on Friday 18 September between 10.30 and 12.30 and everyone was welcome.