



MINUTES

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on 31st January 2023 at 7.00 pm at the Gilbert Hall, Nancledra.

1. PRESENT: Mr Geoffrey Hollow (Chair), Mrs Annie Philip (vice chair), Mr Stephen Carter, Mrs Jenni Thomas-Davey, Mr Jon Brookes, Mrs Judith Evans and Mr Neil Hodder. **IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr Michael Mills (Clerk) **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC 2**

2. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY & OTHER INTERESTS, RELATING TO ANY AGENDA ITEM, AND TO DETERMINE REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION WHERE APPLICABLE

None

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (restricted to agenda items only)

The Church were holding “Pancakes and Praise” on 21st February 10 to 12.

Mention was made of the local landscape partnership consultation which had recently taken place but which had not been well publicised.

It was suggested that the Council’s COVID guidance should be updated and that information on the budget should be more easily available.

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 12th December 2022

It was **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meetings.

5. MATTERS ARISING

None

6. PLANNING

- a) **Applications: PA22/11223** Proposal Conversion and extension of pottery darkroom to form self-contained accommodation Head No(s): 82274 with removal of condition 3 of decision W1/02/P/1346 dated 04/04/2003. Location Coldharbour Barn Dark Lane Towednack St Ives Applicant Mr & Mrs Peake
The Council had no objection to this application.

b) **Decisions:** None

c) **Appeals:** None

d) **Pre-apps:** None

e) **To consider any other planning matter received at or before the start of the meeting**

The Clerk mentioned that he had come across the decision on PA22/02412 proposed radio mast at Cripplesease.

7. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

a) To receive the Chairman's Report

The Chairman said that the new parking signs had been produced by St Ives Signs as a gift to the community. The Clerk would thank St Ives Signs.

b) To receive the Cornwall Councillor's Report

None.

c) To receive any other Councillors' Reports

Cllr Philip had attended a NALC training event on community engagement.

Cllr Evans said that the Gilbert Hall trustees were discussing a lock for the jubilee mug cupboard. Increases to the electric bills were causing concern. The Christmas lunch was thought to have gone well. A Coronation Tea was planned for the 7th May. It was suggested that the Council liaise with the Hall and the Church regarding the Coronation and perhaps establish a sub group. Cllrs Carter and Evans indicated that they would be willing to take part in this.

Cllr Hodder had attended the Big Deal presentation in Penzance .(re devolution)

Cllr Thomas-Davy had attended the Cornwall Council budget consultation. Council tax was expected to rise by 4.99% and the government was reducing funding for statutory services. There were 750 homeless people and 13,000 second homes in Cornwall. There had been very few attendees for the consultation meeting.

Cllr Thomas-Davy had also attended the climate focus group on 18th January. The message was that more needed to be done. There were upcoming meetings in February but it was difficult to get information on them.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

To consider passing a resolution to sign up to the Civility and Respect Pledge and to adopt a Dignity at Work Policy

This would be postponed to the next meeting.

9. PARISH MATTERS

a) Penwith Moors Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), Cornwall.

To reconsider the fact that the site has been notified as a Site of Special Scientific Interest under section 28 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 and to consider any action required

It was felt that the Council should submit a response. The meeting heard details of difficulties now being faced by landowners and farmers as a result of the notification. It seemed that the matter was being rushed through and Natural England had seemed to be unwilling or unable to answer questions from landowners. The main issue was felt to be that "clean" land should be removed from the SSSI. The Council delegated the submission of the response to the Clerk and Cllr Brooks.

b) Update on application submitted to the Shared Prosperity Fund (if any)

The Clerk would follow this up. It was suggested that the following be involved in preparing the application – Cllrs Thomas-Davy, Hollow, Hodder and the Clerk.

10. CORNWALL DEVOLUTION DEAL PUBLIC CONSULTATION

To consider a response to the public consultation on devolution and the issue of a Mayor for Cornwall

It was noted that of the 86 town and parish councils to have expressed a view all had been against the proposed devolution deal. It was understood that the additional money was conditional upon there being a mayor but there were concerns about the expenses of a mayor's office as well as how the mayor would work with Cornwall Council. The amount of

money was over a long period of time and did not seem to be a significant sum in comparison with the current budget. It was resolved that Towednack Parish Council would express its view as against the devolution deal.

11. TAMAR TOLL ACTION GROUP

To consider the request for support from Tamar Toll Action Group

It was agreed not to express a view on this.

12. CLIMATE CHANGE

Updates if any

None.

13. DARK SKIES SIGNAGE

The logo was still awaited.

14. FINANCIAL MATTERS

To receive a summary of accounts and approve invoices for payment

The following payments were approved

Clerk's salary	£476.40
Google	£4.60
HMRC	£222.24
NALC for training event on 25th January	£38.93

15. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE

This included:

An email re planning application PA23/00412 Lower Bussow Farm – counsellors to comment individually if they so wish as this is in St Ives Parish

Consultation by Cormac re Balnoon Junction Halsetown St Ives – on which the Parish Council had no objection.

Local maintenance Partnership Proposals from Cornwall Council – agenda item for next meeting

Emails regarding helping with the development of Cledry Meadow

16 HIGHWAY MATTERS

a) To note action taken following issues reported, at or since the last meeting

None.

b) To consider any other highway issues that require reporting to include recent damage to traffic furniture repair

The Clerk was asked to follow up the issue of parish signs.

17. FOOTPATH MATTERS

To note any issues that have been reported.

The Local Maintenance Partnership would be on the next agenda.

18. CEMETERY MATTERS

The burial of Elizabeth Elloway was due to take place on 13th February 2023 at 11 am. Mrs Elloway had been a resident of the parish and member of the Towednack Church.

19. TO RECEIVE THE POLICE REPORT

There had been two matters reported one of criminal damage and one of assault.

Both matters were under investigation. Both had happened at the same address around Christmas.

20. TO NOTE COUNCILLORS ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Cllr Thomas-Davy suggested that individual councillors could be responsible for certain parts of the agenda.

The Coronation.

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –

28th February 2023.

The meeting finished at 8.35 pm.