



## MINUTES

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on 28<sup>th</sup> February 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** 3 **APOLOGIES** were received from Cornwall Cllr Mitchell

### **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)**

A member of the public set out his reasons for objecting to the planning application PA23/00487.

### **4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023**

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

### **5. MATTERS ARISING**

None

### **6. PLANNING**

- a) **Applications: PA23/00487** Proposal: Barn Conversion to create a new dwelling  
Location: Redundant Barn Adj To Carne Farm Studio Cripplesea Nancledra  
Penzance Cornwall TR20 8NQ Applicant: Mr & Mrs Crookshanks  
The Council objected to this application on the following grounds
1. The site was in the open countryside where development would not normally be permitted. It was questionable if policy 7 of the Cornwall Local Plan applied as it the existing redundant building was essentially a ruin and had never had any historic or architectural merit. It was queried whether the proposed dwelling would be of similar size and scale to the existing building particularly as a two storey property was proposed.
  2. The close proximity to Carne Farm Cottage would result in loss of amenity to that property and loss of light and privacy.
  3. It was felt that the design of the proposed dwelling was unsuitable and out of keeping with the area. The scale and size of the proposed building was not appropriate.

4. The site was an area of former mining.
5. There may well be light pollution contrary to dark skies policies.
6. A further dwelling on this site would result in more traffic on the access road which it was not capable of coping with. There was also a difficult junction with the access road and the main road.

**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**

Other applications were pending for which more time to respond would be sought.

## **7. COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

### **a) To receive the Chairman's Report**

The Chairman had attended a meeting re the Coronation. The school had agreed to host events over the weekend including cream teas and a treasure hunt. It had been provisionally agreed that Towednack Parish Council would contribute £150 and the trustees of the Gilbert Hall had agreed to match that amount. Any donations or profit would be shared between the school and charity.

### **b) To receive the Cornwall Councillor's Report**

None.

### **c) To receive any other Councillors' Reports**

Cllr Evans mentioned the defibrillator. One issue was that a member of the public was taking the defibrillator home from time to time. Cllr Evans would deal with this.

## **8. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

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

It was resolved to adopt the draft Dignity at Work Policy and to sign up to the Civility and Respect Pledge

b) To consider a proposal to assign preparation of parts of the agenda to individual councillors

It was noted that individual councillors already had responsibility for certain areas such as climate change, dark skies, Gilbert Hall, and Community Network Panel. It was felt that this was working well but the matter would be kept under review.

c) To consider any action needed re difficulties with the Clerk's email address

It was resolved that councillors would carefully check the email addresses to which they were sending and the matter would be reconsidered in the light of any further difficulties.

## **9. PARISH MATTERS**

a) Update on application submitted to the Shared Prosperity Fund

It appeared that a further round of funding was available. A meeting of the working group was arranged for 8<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm.

b) Local maintenance partnership – to consider entering into new contracts with Cornwall Council

It was agreed that the Council would participate in the Local Maintenance Partnership for the coming year.

## **10. CLIMATE CHANGE**

Updates if any

None.

## **11. DARK SKIES SIGNAGE**

The logo was still awaited.

## **12. 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
NALC course – Tackling the Housing crisis (paid by Clerk)	£39.22

## **13. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE**

This included:

Letter from the Pensions Regulator re declaration of compliance

Request for filing of annual return re Cledry Meadow

Email from Cornwall Council re neighbourhood planning – a date for a meeting would be sought and the Zennor Plan would be made available.

An objection had been lodged re the Penwith Moors Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).

## **14 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.

## **15. FOOTPATH MATTERS**

To note any issues that have been reported.

## **16. CEMETERY MATTERS**

It appeared that the current row was now full. (Note – a further one space has now been identified). It was queried whether there should be a no dogs rule.

## **17. TO RECEIVE THE POLICE REPORT**

There had been no reported crime this month.

## **18. TO NOTE COUNCILLORS ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

## **19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –**

28<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

The meeting finished at 9.15 pm.