

SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT TRANNACK SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 04th SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 7.30PM.

Cllr. P. Martin (Chairman)

Cllr. J. Keeling (Vice Chairman)

Cllr. B Rogers

Cllr. Mrs. L Penrose

Parish Clerk Mrs. Jodie Ellis and 3 members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Were received from Cllr. A. McDonald and Cllr. M. Tresidder.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 07th August 2018 were unanimously agreed as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA – Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose declared a pecuniary interest in Item 11 the Leats.

4. TO CONSIDER ANY APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATIONS UNDER SECTION 33 OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 –None.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Defibrillator – Clerk has contacted the contractor and the best quote available is working on a time and materials basis. It was Proposed by Cllr. B. Rogers seconded by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, all in favour that the clerk asks the contractor to install the Defibrillator.

Sithney School Junction flooding – Cllr. J. Keeling has been unable to visit the area of late.

Speeding through Crowntown – Cllr. J. Keeling advised he had been out with Highways but unfortunately there does not seem much that can be done. A south Kerrier speed watch group is in the early stages of being set up which may help the issue.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

7. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS – Cllr. P. Martin welcomed Cllr. J. Keeling back and wished him a continued speedy recovery from his accident.

8. COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - 24-hour notice in accordance with Standing Orders advisable – Cllr. B. Rogers advised he has been accepted onto the Political Participation in my Community Course – and is intending to do a piece of research on a possible Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish. Cllr. B. Rogers is going to compile something for the notice boards and website to encourage community engagement on possible projects.

9. CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS – Cllr. J. Keeling gave the following report: There is general dissatisfaction about the merger with Dorset, Devon and Cornwall Police. There would appear to be a lack of consultation and a need to have a full debate at full council this month. The business case is yet to be made public and the general thought is that the matter will be decided within the corridors of Middlemore and Dorset Police Headquarters. I cannot help thinking that we are trying to micro manage the business of the police and there may be advantages of merging in terms of economies of scale that could bring community policing back to the public. But I will listen to the debate and make up my mind accordingly. The chicken farm is up for appeal and of course this will be a high profile case. I have shared some information with my parish councils and advised members of the public who phoned/emailed me about the dates for making representations to the government inspector.

Speeding is a major problem over all the division rather than those villages on the A394, and I welcome the help from Sarah Cober, Citizens in Policing and Development Officer for West Cornwall and the Isle of Scilly, who is trying, together with the community link officer, to set up Community Based Speed Watch and running where appropriate in our South Kerrier Area.

This includes discussions with PC Anne Butcher, whom I have had similar conversation with in the past about setting up parish speed watch groups. There currently some restrictions on us with regards to getting proposed sites reviewed. The records show that Sites at Ashton, Breage and Townshend have been submitted for consideration, with a view to assessing the other areas in more rural areas. Currently all sites must be assessed and authorised (to ensure that all sites are deemed safe for volunteers to operate from) by a Police Road Casualty Reduction Officer.

Additionally, there is guidance note out about the Mobile Speed Activation Signs (MSAS) which detect the speed of oncoming traffic using a radar device. These are temporary signs which have shown to be effective in reducing speed. This is really about Town and Parish Councils using their initiatives to invest from their own budgets in speed monitoring equipment like the MSAS. Of course the CC will work with local councils to advise them on suitable sites and methods of deployment on public highways. The guidance came into operation this month August 2018. I have been trying to catch up with people who live on the B3303 and B3302 about the speeding along these routes and finding myself at a loss in terms of what can actually be done. Road surveys have been done and government guidelines plus highway law appears to be very prescriptive on speed signs on small rural housing clusters. Still I will keep trying to find a solution with the Highway Manager and the Community Link Officer.

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I intend to visit Dolcoath Planning and Enforcement in the next couple of weeks to catch up with some planning/enforcement matters. Finally, I have some money available for reasonable requests for community projects and welcome the opportunity to talk with groups or individuals either by email or come and see me at the Old Post Office, Ashton; but try and let me know you are coming. I have already spoken to a number of people during and given help and guidance regarding issues and other matters.

10. PLANNING: -

Applications:

PA18/07066 - Barn At Home Farm Trevarno Sithney Cornwall TR13 0RU - Proposed conversion of former agricultural building to form dwelling. It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, seconded by Cllr. B. Rogers, all in favour to support the application so long as the concerns of the online objection are noted and looked into by the planning case officer.

PA18/07696 - Truthall Manor Truthall Sithney Helston - Rectification of unauthorised works to a listed building. Cllrs all agreed that it was a good thing to be returning the property to its original condition. It was proposed by Cllr. B. Rogers, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, all in favour that the application is supported.

Approved:

PA18/05467 Granted (CAADs and LUs only) - Lower Trannack Mill Quarry Coverack Bridges Helston TR13 0LX - Certificate of lawful existing use of land and buildings for B8 purposes (importation, storage and distribution of granite).

PA18/05613 -Caravan Pitch Polgarth Farm Crowtown Helston Cornwall - Approval of all reserved matters for the erection of a dwelling in respect of outline application PA17/08288.

PA18/07023 - Mellangoose Farm, Mellangoose, Sithney, TR13 0RS - Demolition of conservatory and replace with single storey extension to rear.

11. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Lowertown Leats – CC will be inspecting the scheduled works this week.

Bridleway 230/30/1 – Coverack Bridges to Lowertown – No update from CC.

12. REPORT OF THE CLERK & CORRESPONDENCE

RSN Weekly Newsletters – have been circulated to Cllrs by email.

Plover's Field – Open Space Grass Cutting – Cllr. P. Martin has met with the contractor onsite and a quote will be submitted to the clerk.

GDPR – Clerk is working through the processes.

Derek Thomas – Town and Paris Council Conference for West Cornwall – 27/09/18.

Annual Audit Completion 2017/2018 – Clerk has circulated to all Cllrs. Notices have been published online and on the notice boards to confirm completion of Audit and advising no issues have been identified.

CC – Planning Conferences for Local Councils – Cllr. B. Rogers and Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose would like to attend the session in Penzance on the 04.10.18 at a cost of £12.00 per delegate.

13a) To consider the following accounts for cheque payment: It was proposed by Cllr. P. Martin seconded by Cllr. B. Rogers all in favor that the following payments are authorised:

Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS) – Clerk	£ 97.59
St Sithney Church – S137	500.00
Mr R Sanders	1649.42
PKF Littlejohn LLP (Audit Fees)	240.00
CASH – Reimburse Petty Cash (Ink Cartridges and Stationery).	76.96

2,563.97

13b) FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE CLERK – The Clerk reported that she had invoices to pay totaling £2,563.97 as reported in item 13a. The balance at the end of August on the Current Account is £8,706.79 and on the Business Saver is £32,619.87. The clerk reported that the accounts are considered adequate to undertake the work of the Parish Council. The monthly report has been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose seconded by Cllr. B. Rogers, all in favor that the report be accepted.

14. CO-OPTION –

Mr Ray Ashmore has submitted an application for co-option. It was proposed by Cllr. J. Keeling, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, all in favour, to Co-Opt Mr Ray Ashmore to the parish council. Mr Ashmore signed his acceptance of office.

15. COMMUNITY NETWORK HIGHWAYS SCHEME - Cornwall Councillors have asked that every town and parish council in the CNA propose ONE highways scheme that is important to them. Keeping in mind the eligibility of the scheme, the fact that there are 18 T&PC's in the CN and that there is a budget of only £50k a year for 4 years. By the 1st October 2018.

It was agreed Cllrs would send suggestions through to the clerk by the 20th September so that the clerk could compile a list for all Cllrs to vote on the priority.

16. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Clerk has drawn up a poster and placed on the website and on the notice boards.

17. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 2nd October 2018 at 7.30pm at Sithney School.