

**SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
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**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT SITHNEY SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 07<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2018 AT 7.30PM.**

**Cllr. P. Martin** (Chairman)

**Cllr. A. McDonald**

**Cllr. Mrs. L Penrose**

**Cllr. B Rogers**

**Cllr. M. Tresidder**

**Parish Clerk Mrs. Jodie Ellis and 5 members of the public.**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Were received from Cllr. J. Keeling.

**2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 05<sup>th</sup> June 2018 were unanimously agreed as a correct record and signed by the chairman. The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 03<sup>rd</sup> July 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 disclosable pecuniary interest in Item 11 Lowertown Leats and planning PA18/07024.

**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 electricians for a quote. One has been received on an average basis cost of around £275+vat. No other quotes were received. It was agreed clerk to provide electricians with a more detailed layout of the site and what is required to see if the quote could be reduced.

Sithney School Junction flooding – Cllr. J. Keeling will look into once he is back to full health.

Speeding through Crowtown – Cllr. J. Keeling will look into once he is back to full health.

**6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None.

**7. CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS** – Cllr. P. Martin advised that he had cut the area at Plover’s Field and there were quite a few weeds coming through. It was agreed clerk to ask our LMP contractor to attend site and quote for the work to trim the weeds.

**8. COUNCILLORS’ QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS** - 24-hour notice in accordance with Standing Orders advisable – Hedge Cutting – Cllr. B. Rogers raised the issue of the potential dangers of parishioners cutting their own hedge along roadside. It was noted that Highways trim some roadside hedges. If any parishioners have any concerns of roadside hedges that require trimming to report to clerk who will advise highways.

**9. CORNWALL COUNCILLOR’S COMMENTS** – Cllr. J. Keeling gave the following report: ‘I am well aware of the angst about speeding traffic on our roads and with over 15 villages and hamlets in my division all suffering to one extent or another it is becoming bad at this time of year in particular. I had a speed monitor installed in Ashton some years ago to justify the installation of the Vehicle Activated Sign which proved the value of such technology. I have had monitors sited elsewhere and the information is available if necessary. I would like more of these signs (VAS) but since my highway budget was removed in 2013 it as not been possible until the new budgets made available to the Community Networks and I will continue to pursue this. I am also concerned about safety on the B3302 and B3303 and will meet with residents to see what can be done. On the matter of Rural Exception sites there is a sense amongst myself and colleagues that developers are forgetting what this method of providing small affordable housing sites for local people is all about and turning it into a free for all rather than looking at areas of Cornwall that have the necessary infrastructure in place to service large developments. In other words leave our villages alone please!

**10. PLANNING: -**

**Applications:**

**PA18/06510** - Polgarth Farm Crowtown Helston TR13 0AA - Two dwellings with integral garages.

PAP met to look at the application and it was similar to other plot sizes for two dwellings. It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, seconded by Cllr. A. McDonald, 4 in favour, 1 abstained that the parish council supports the application as long as planning officers agree that the site is large enough to accommodate the dwellings and meets with planning policies.

*Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose left the meeting 7.45pm.*

**PA18/07024** - Trannack House Bal Road Lowertown TR13 0DA - Listed Building Consent for rear extension, internal alterations, replacement gutters/downpipes and chimney repairs. Cllrs agreed the application has no issues and is bringing the property back to it’s original features. It was proposed by Cllr. A. McDonald, seconded by Cllr. P. Martin, all in favour that the application is supported.

*Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose returned to the meeting 7.49pm.*

**PA18/06688** - Hillcrest Sithney Common Hill Sithney TR13 0AF - To re-point the frontage of the building in Lime Mortar.

Cllrs agreed that Lime Mortar would be an appropriate material for a property of that age. It was noted that it is a listed building but there was no listed building consent with it, but this may be a technical issue with CC. It was proposed by Cllr. M. Tresidder, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, all in favour that the application is supported.

**PA18/07023** - Mellangoose Farm Mellangoose Sithney TR13 0RS - Demolition of conservatory and replace with single storey extension to rear. Cllrs agreed it was a suitable to change to the property to make the living area bigger. None else could see the properties alterations. It was proposed by Cllr. A. McDonald, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, all in favour that the application is supported.

**Appeal:**

PA17/04129 – Pengwedna, Breage, Helston – Erection of Agriculture buildings for free range egg production with associated feed bins, hard standing access. All representations need to be received by 31.08.18, all correspondence previously submitted have been forwarded.

It was agreed that due to new evidence regarding the concreting over of agriculture land and the effect this would have on decreasing pollination and bee life, Cllr. M. Tresidder would draft a response for clerk to circulate to Cllrs for approval to submit before the deadline. All Cllrs agreed.

**11. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY**

**Lowertown Leats** – Cormac have advised: The landowner will be repairing the final breach in the leat wall by early/mid-August. In doing so he will be using some of the silt from around this area and this should in turn help to allow greater flow through this part of the leat.

Bridleway 230/30/1 – Coverack Bridges to Lowertown– Clerk has chased CC / Cormac for an update, but no update has been received to date.

**12. REPORT OF THE CLERK & CORRESPONDENCE**

RSN Weekly Newsletters

BT Openreach Longstone Pole – Thanks to Cllr. B. Rogers who met with BT to arrange for the pole to be re-sited.

GDPR – Clerk has purchased the shredder and it starting to work through paperwork that the council holds in line with GDPR requirements and retention policies.

Neighbourhood plans, affordable housing, and Cornwall Local Plan housing apportionment – Cluster Group Email

Derek Thomas – Town and Paris Council Conference for West Cornwall – 27/09/18 – Cllr. B. Rogers and Cllr. P. Martin hope to attend.

**13a) To consider the following accounts for cheque payment:** It was proposed by Cllr. M. Tresidder seconded by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, all in favor that the following payments are authorised:

Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS) – Clerk	£ 97.59
Mrs J Ellis – Shredder	135.00
	<b><u>232.59</u></b>

**13b) FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE CLERK** – The Clerk reported that she had invoices to pay totaling £232.59 as reported in item 13a. The balance at the end of July on the Current Account is £9,414.99 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. B. Rogers seconded by Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose, all in favor that the report be accepted.

**14. CO-OPTION** – One Application has been received from a gentleman who will hopefully be able to attend September’s meeting for co-option.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018.

Cllrs agreed to have a think and bring suggestions back to September’s meeting.

**16. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Cllr. B. Rogers advised that where he has previously lived Neighbourhood Plans have been developed and have been a successful way of involving parishioners. Cllr. B. Rogers advised he would be happy to take the lead on it. Clerk agreed to draw up a poster to place on the website and on the notice boards to see if there is any interest.

**17. S137** – Sithney Church – Clerk has circulated the church’s accounts. It was proposed by Cllr. B. Rogers, seconded by Cllr. P. Martin to donate £500 this year. It was noted that on the church accounts the grass cutting was considered to be on the expensive side and clerk would advise the church of this.

**18. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 7.30pm at Trannack School.