

SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT SITHNEY SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 02ND APRIL 2019 AT 7.30PM.

Cllr. P. Martin (Chairman)
Cllr. Mrs. L Penrose
Cllr. M. Tresidder
Cllr. S. Hilditch
Cllr. B. Rogers

Cllr. J. Keeling (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr. A. McDonald
Cllr. R. Ashmore
Cllr. N. Logan

Parish Clerk Mrs. Jodie Ellis and 2 members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 05th March 2019 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 an interest in Item 10 Planning PA19/02468.

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

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Sewerage Fence – Plover’s Field – Clerk reported works have started and will continue to chase Coastline.

Trannack to Lowertown Drain – Sithney 30 - Cllr Penrose advised it was still a safety hazard, clerk to report.

Granite Picnic Bench – Relocation – Clerk has written to local businesses and will place on May’s Agenda to consider quotations, location of bench and the open space area.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – A member of the public asked if it could be considered if the Granite picnic bench could be placed in the Millennium Woods at Trannack. Cllrs noted that there are benches in place at Trannack but none at Sithney.

7. CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS – None.

8. COUNCILLORS’ QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - 24-hour notice in accordance with Standing Orders advisable.

Climate Emergency – Cllr B Rogers deferred to May’s meeting.

Cllr Ashmore advised the bridge linking the two quarries is not on the definitive map, and will locate an exact location and report to clerk. On Bridleway 230/30/1 there appears to be an unused gate that is leaning onto the bridleway that has been left since the bridleway was previously closed, which could be a hazard to horses. Clerk to report to the countryside team.

Cllr McDonald advised he had secured the grit bins with velcro.

9. CORNWALL COUNCILLOR’S COMMENTS – Cllr. J. Keeling gave the following written report: ‘I am reporting the lack of funding available for those service that we all expect to be carried out on a regular basis. Potholes come to mind and roadside verges along with various other local issues. I am not saying that these services are not carried out, but managers have to work to a budget and be held accountable for any over spends. It is well known in local government that we face funding gaps of more than £3 billion in 2019/20, rising to £8 billion in 2024/25, with particular acute pressure on adult social care, children’s services and homelessness support. The Local Government Association has made Government aware of the substantial black hole facing local government, particularly for those services who are experiencing a marked growth in demand. It is, therefore, important that in the Government’s upcoming Spending Review, that Cornwall Council’s Leadership and opposition is actively engaged in highlighting the growing risk to vital local services; if the Government does not take action to secure the financial sustainability of councils. The Local Government Association, of which Cornwall Council is an active participant, should vigorously continue to influence our local MPs and peers ahead of this year’s Spending Review. Shortly after the referendum nearly some 3 years ago, I had the opportunity to question the then secretary of state, Greg Clarke, at a Local Government Association meeting in Bournemouth, on a replacement funding stream following our departure from the EU. A promise was made then that alternative funding would be forthcoming, so we now have what is called the Shared Prosperity Fund as a possible replacement. Details on how this fund will be distributed to areas such as Cornwall are very sketchy and again, we must continue to keep up the pressure to lobby Government and our MPs to ensure a fair deal for Cornwall’.

10. PLANNING: -

8.10pm Cllr Penrose left the meeting.

Applications:

PA19/02468 - Trannack House Bal Road Lowertown TR13 0DA - Listed Building Consent to rebuild chimney stack with lead tray to prevent water ingress. Cllrs felt that the applicant had taken suitable guidance to ensure the remedial works are undertaken in a correct and professional manner and the PC should support the application as to repair, restore and retain a bit of local heritage. It was proposed by Cllr McDonald, seconded by Cllr, Rogers, all in favour and was **Resolved** that this council supported the application.

8.14 pm Cllr Penrose returned.

PA19/02627 -2 Chynhale Cottages Chynhale Sithney Helston Cornwall TR13 0RX - Application for a non-material amendment for the application (PA18/09617) to change of the external wall finish from stone to smooth painted render. It is considered that as the extension is small, fitting between their own utility room and the neighbours extension, having solely painted render wouldn’t have a major impact on the visual amenity of the properties. However, the Parish Council would support keeping the quoins in the design

around the windows and quoins to quoins with render in between. It was proposed by Cllr Penrose, seconded by Cllr Martin, 7 in favour, 2 abstained and **Resolved** that this council supports the application subject to the comments above.

Approved:

PA19/00336 - Land Adj To Polwidden Cottage Crowntown Helston Cornwall TR13 0AA -Application for approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) following outline approval PA16/11516: Demolition of a domestic store/workshop and erection of a single-storey dwelling.

PA18/06510 - Land North East Of Polwidden Cottage Crowntown Helston Cornwall TR13 0AA - Two dwellings with detached carports.

Part Approved/Part Refused

PA19/01531 - Meadowbank Lowertown Helston TR13 0BY - T1, Sycamore, Fell, The tree is on top of a bank and weighted towards and overhanging a house.

Public Inquiry:

PA17/04129 – Penwedgna, Breage – Erection of Agriculture buildings for free range egg production with associated feed bins, hardstanding and access – Nancegollan Village Hall 16th April 10am.

11. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Lowertown Leats – Clerk has chased Highways / Countryside Team but no update is available.

Bridleway 230/30/1 – Coverack Bridges to Lowertown - Clerk has chased Highways / Countryside Team but no update is available.

Footpath 8 – Sithney – Bridge Repair – Footpath Closure - Clerk has chased Highways / Countryside Team but no update is available.

12. REPORT OF THE CLERK & CORRESPONDENCE

CALC Newsletter – Circulated by Email.

Helston & South Kerrier CNP & AGM – Circulated by email.

S137 Expenditure 2019/2020 – Confirmed as £8.12

CC - Community Governance Reviews - advice about interests and predetermination – circulated by email.

Defibrillator Maintenance – Clerk noted that RRMC will no longer be carrying out the maintenance of the Defibrillator and Cllr Logan had kindly agreed to take on this role. Clerk will compile a folder of the relevant information and forms for Cllr Logan.

Clerk Training – Training was carried out on the 13.03.19 and was extremely useful.

School Governor – Cllr Loggan has made contact with Sithney School to become a governor. Cllr Tresidder noted he will stand down from being a governor at Trannack.

Neighbourhood Plan – Clerk will make contact with the Community Network Panel for advice.

Road Closure – Scholars Lane, Sithney, 29.04.19 – 03.05.19 (0730 to 1800 hrs)

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

	£
Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS) – Clerk	97.59
Cornwall ALC Limited	114.45
	<u>212.04</u>

13b) FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE CLERK – The Clerk reported that she had invoices to pay totaling £212.04 as reported in item 13a. The balance at the end of March on the Current Account is £9,267.43 and on the Business Saver is £32,668.69. The clerk reported that the accounts are considered adequate to undertake the work of the Parish Council. The monthly and quarterly report has been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed by Cllr. Penrose seconded by Cllr. Rogers, all in favour that the report be accepted.

13c) AUTHORISE CLERK STANDING ORDER FOR 19/20 – It was proposed by Cllr Penrose, seconded by Cllr Rogers, all in favour for two signatories to authorise clerk’s salary payments by standing order for 2019/2020.

13d) CREATE A STAFFING COMMITTEE – Clerk advised it was necessary to create a staffing committee to deal with all staffing issues and to report back recommendations to full council. It was **Resolved** that the chairman and Cllr Penrose would stand on this committee.

13e) AGREE STANDING ORDERS – Clerk has adopted the NALC and CALC recommendations with additions specific for SPC and has circulated to members. Document will be placed on the website for adoption in May 2019.

14. S137 APPLICATIONS – Two applications have been received for £150 from the Sithney Brownies and the Sithney Senior section. Cllr McDonald raised the following points: Is there a group 10-14? and asked if it would be more beneficial to the groups if perhaps a donation per head was given which would reflect the numbers in each of the two groups. The money would then be fairly apportioned and would perhaps promote within the community the two groups, giving more money where there are more girls involved. Cllrs agreed and requested Clerk to invite the two groups to the next meeting to allow them to advise this council what they would like assistance with, and the number of girls involved in each section, all Cllrs agreed this council would like to support these two local groups.

15. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 7th May 2019 at 7.30pm at Trannack School.