

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

Cllr. P. Martin (Chairman)

Cllr. Mrs. L Penrose

Cllr. R. Ashmore

Cllr. M. Tresidder (vice-chairman)

Cllr. A. McDonald

Cllr. S. Hilditch

Cllr. B. Rogers

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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Were received from Cllr Logan and Keeling.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on the 04th June 2019 were unanimously agreed as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA – Cllr McDonald in Item 10 Planning PA19/04929 and Cllr Penrose in Item 11 Lowertown Leats.

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

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES – None.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None.

7. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS – Cllr Martin advised he personally delivered a signed Sithney Millenium map and letter of thanks to the Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall Colonel Edward Bolitho in thanks for the parish engagements the Lord Lieutenant had carried out in Sithney. Cllr Martin has since received a thank you letter from Colonel Edward Bolitho and clerk read out to the meeting.

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

Cllr Ashmore – Has spoken to Paul Martin in waste and recycling at CC, who is happy to attend a parish council meeting to discuss. Cllrs agreed that would be useful and Cllr Asmore agreed to invite Mr Martin to August's meeting.

Cllr Rogers advised that since declaring a climate emergency at the last meeting, we are as yet to have any formal guidance on how new build planning applications can be dealt with in light of this. In response to this Cllr Rogers feels that it would only be correct in his role that he abstains from voting on new planning housing developments.

Cllr Penrose noted it would be useful when we receive some guidance on this from CC.

Cllr McDonald made all aware that there have been a number of dog snatches in the area over the last month and for all pet owners to be vigilant.

9. CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS – Cllr. J. Keeling gave the following written report: 'There was an audible sigh of relief by the Nancegollan Action Group earlier this month when the appeal for the chicken farm was dismissed by the inspectorate. This has been going on for a considerable time and I am sure that it is the correct decision in this case. A couple of meetings with the South Kerrier Cornwall Councillors were held to discuss local issues and concerns. The first was, unusually, with a number of directors and senior council officers to voice the everyday problems we face and gave us a chance to speak frankly. I raised the matter of the dog ban to Alan Hampshire (Service Director Public Health) and outlined my own view on how relaxations on the present system could be achieved along with the relaxation time and date. I added that this should be applied Cornwall wide to save confusion. Climate change is a subject dear to my heart, and was discussed briefly and I look forward to further work on this in due course by Cornwall Council. Naturally, speeding and traffic issue was also aired, and I made the point that rural roads are plagued by speeding and inconsiderate road users. Of course, more pressure needs to be on the police and there are now statistics with policing actions following control measures (speeding motorists caught). On the matter of speeding, I held a site meeting with some 25 concerned residents who live near and on the B3302. Their concerns and suggestions will be put to the highway's manager and a possible TRO raised in due course. The other meeting with the South Kerrier Network Councillors included Homelessness and how communities can help. Persistent anti-social behaviour by youngsters, in particular, arson. The Chief Fire Officer is running sessions on the dangers of this ridiculous behaviour. Planning and enforcement are never far from my daily life and I usually meet with planning and enforcement officers to discuss and resolve, where possible, issues that are raised.

10. PLANNING: -

Applications:

PA19/04498 - Lower Boscadjack Farm Access to Lower Boscadjack Trenear TR13 0HH - Listed building consent for the removal and re point of granite stone, repair or replace window fillets. Repare/replace chimney. The application is to use reclaimed red brick replacing a current material of red brick and Cllrs felt that the application should be supported. It was RESOLVED to support the application, proposed by Cllr, Penrose, seconded by Cllr Tresidder, all in favour.

Cllr McDonald left the meeting.

PA19/04929 - Peartree Farm Trannack Helston TR13 0DQ - Proposed Agricultural Worker's permanent dwelling.

Cllrs noted that the county land agent had not commented on the application this time. It is not felt that the need for an agriculture dwelling is proven by the financial report. Cllrs felt that the profitability and sustainability of the business was not proven for 5 acres of land. The application is a new development in the open countryside which is not supported by local and national planning policies. It was RESOLVED to Object to the application, proposed by Cllr Rogers, seconded by Cllr Tresidder, all in favour.

Cllr McDonald returned.

Approved:

PA19/02468 - Trannack House Bal Road Lowertown TR13 0DA - Listed Building Consent to rebuild chimney stack with lead tray to prevent water ingress.

PA19/02783 – Trannack house, Bal Road, Lowertown – Part demolish party wall between kitchen and dining room to make kitchen diner. Removal of wall exterior wall coverings. Replace windows.

11. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Lowertown Leats – CC have advised: ‘The notice that we served was to ensure proper flow within the leat by repairing the breach in the bank. Having visited on numerous occasions when I have been in the area, I have seen that repairs have been undertaken that the water no longer exits the leat towards the land it was previously exiting on to. Therefore, under the terms of the notice that was served we have no further powers to require further works be undertaken. We will however be writing to the landowner again to inform him that whilst the current repairs are working, we consider that they are of a temporary construction that may deteriorate in the future and that they should monitor and consider a more permanent solution. If the problem was to reoccur in the future, we would consider serving a new notice to have the works completed to the approval of the Council’.

Cllrs noted that when the wet weather returns, then the situation can be revisited.

Trannack Quarry Bridge – DMMO / Definitive Map – Clerk handed out the paperwork to Cllrs to get witness statements.

Footpath 230/ 8/1 from Tregoose to Tregadjack – Private Sign - Highways have advised: ‘In essence, and I know this might sound odd, but it’s information telling walkers that they are entering private land, which they are, so the sign isn’t really misleading. If it said something like ‘private – no access’ or similar then Legal would very likely deem that as misinformation. As mentioned, there is also a clear footpath arrow attached to the gate to indicate that the public have legal access by foot.

Footpath 230/17/1 and 230/18/1 – stile obstructions have been logged with Highways Health & Safety List.

Bridleway 230/28/1 - has been logged with Highways Health & Safety List.

Footpath 8 - Sithney Bridge Repairs - Helston Railway, Cornwall Council have advised ‘CC and are liaising with the Railway and will undertake a viability report in the first instance to see if their proposal meets the CC criteria for such events’.

Bridleway 230/30/1 – A more structural fence has now been placed over the broken manhole cover.

Trannack – Lowertown - It was noted large painted boulders have been placed near the blocked drain.

Bridleway 230/15/2 – Trimming has been reported to Highways

12. REPORT OF THE CLERK & CORRESPONDENCE

Lantra – Traffic Management Course – 22.07.19

CC – Climate change and carbon neutral Cornwall – circulated by email.

CC - Polling Districts and Polling Places Review - stage 2 consultation

Defibrillator – Clerk is arranging a meeting between RRMCC and Cllr Logan to run through maintenance etc.

CC – Surface Dressing and Treatment Works – circulated by email.

Sithney Church – The church have advised, they do not know nothing of a police security camera.

Sithney School / Plover’s Field Parking Issues – The headteacher has continued to speak to those parking dangerously and the enforcement officer has visited and spoke to drivers. The enforcement officer advised the school are doing all they can and if residents continue to have problems with driveways etc being blocked then they need to contact parking enforcement.

Junction of A394 & B3302 at Hilltop Garage – Clerk has received an email asking of the possibility of widening the junction. Clerk has contacted highways to ask their opinion.

Lane from Crowntown to Chynhale has been reported as being overgrown clerk has reported to Highways.

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

£
102.81
102.81

13b) FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE CLERK – The Clerk reported that she had invoices to pay totaling £102.81 as reported in item 13a. The balance at the end of June on the Current Account is £13,069.30 and on the Business Saver is £32,684.98. The monthly and quarterly report has been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed by Cllr. Rogers seconded by Cllr Penrose all in favour that the report be accepted.

14. PLOVER’S FIELD

Picnic Bench Relocation – Clerk has been advised by coastline that the bench may be sited where Cllrs have chosen with no issues surrounding pipework underneath. Cllr McDonald has tried to contact Mr Pascoe to arrange relocation and will try again.

Trimming / Tidying / parking issues -Our contractor has trimmed twice since the last meeting, clerk advised it looks a lot better.

Sewerage smell – Coastline have offered to meet on site with the contractor to review. Cllrs Tresidder and Hilditch agreed to visit in the morning and early evening to see when the smell is at it’s worse. Clerk will then arrange the meeting.

15. BUS SHELTER – Crowntown – Cllr Logan has raised the issue with the bus shelter not being used by locals due to it leaking and not being that safe. The Roof is also made of asbestos. Clerk has asked Highways if the council are able to replace the shelter.

Clerk has also asked Fernbank advertising about the possibility of a new shelter.

16. NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – Cllrs all agreed that without parishioner support a NP could not go forward. Clerk to speak to Maxine Hardy and arrange a meeting in September separate from the parish council meeting to invite any interested parishioners to come forward.

17. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 6th August 2019 at 7.30pm at Sithney School