

SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT TRANNACK SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 05TH NOVEMBER 2019 AT 7.30PM.

Cllr. P. Martin (Chairman)

Cllr. Mrs. L Penrose

Cllr. R. Ashmore

Cllr. N. Logan

Cllr. M. Tresidder (Vice-chairman)

Cllr. A. McDonald

Cllr. S. Hilditch

Cllr. J. Keeling

Parish Clerk Mrs. Jodie Ellis and 8 members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Were received from Cllr Rogers

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on the 01st October 2019 were unanimously agreed as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA – None.

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

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

A parishioner asked about the telephone box at Coverack Bridges. It was confirmed that there is Electricity coming into the box and the community group can now proceed to source a Defibrillator and paint for the box. Clerk would liaise where needed.

A parishioner asked if the approved planning application for Lowertown superseded the previous approved application for that site. Cllr Keeling agreed to look into and confirm.

A parishioner spoke in relation to planning application PA19/03431, to advise residents are not against development. However, this application is not of appropriate size and does not comply with local planning policy. The pre-app details size and building material and the application has not taken these into consideration. There is an over whelming objection from local residents, the application is double what class Q planning would allow. The access route and highway issues have not been addressed.

6. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS – None.

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

Cllr. Rogers – Facebook Group for Sithney Parish Council – Deferred to December 2019.

8. CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS – Cllr. John Keeling gave the following written report: 'Despite the ongoing drama at central government, I have been trying to resolve local government issues nearer to home and one that comes to mind is the Countryside Access Department and the matter of modification orders. There are a lot of modification orders that are still not resolved and there is an increase of people referring their cases to the Secretary of State, who if so minded, can instruct the council to resolve the case within a certain time. This is of course due to the 2026 deadline for modifications to PROW and is causing a log jam of cases. I am aware of cases that have taken up to 10 years and there is one locally that is still running after 12 years! I supported a motion in January this year to put more funding and resources into the service and an underspend of some £140K which has been given to the department and there will be additional funding available in the budget set for 2020-2021 to further address the shortfall in that department. The Community Network meeting of Cornwall Councillors was dominated by discussions with Kevin Bryant, Head of Highways and Infrastructure and some very franks comments about highway matters. The Community Network Highway budget was top of the list and it was suggested that instead of a £50k Budget for each year we think along the lines of a £200k budget over 4 years. Nevertheless, there was a general dissatisfaction with the length of time it takes from project start to finish. I brought up the matter of estates with private roads and possible adoption by Cornwall Council so that it took the problem out of the hands of local people in this situation. Problem is that there are many housing estates with this problem. I continue to deal with local issues with traffic and speeding and appreciate the help of local people and the parish councils.

Further discussions about Community Speed Watch continues with the police and community members. The Community Network Meeting this coming Wednesday 6th November includes an overview of the Shoreline Management Plan with Dave Watkins, Flood and Coastal Strategic Lead for Cornwall Council. Also, members and visitors will be discussing dark sky designations for the network area. Planning and enforcement are a major part of my work lately and I held a surgery last week to discuss possible breaches of planning and help with planning applications'.

9. PLANNING: -

Applications:

PA19/08068 - The Old Barn Pevensey Coverack Bridges Helston - New extension and modification of existing dwelling. The extension is to the side of the building and is two storeys. Currently part of the building on the ground floor only consist of two storerooms. The building will be reconfigured to make use of these storerooms as a kitchen and utility room so that the upstairs will be bedrooms and bathrooms and the downstairs, living rooms. It is not overly large and makes better use of the existing building. It was RESOLVED that the application is Supported.

PA19/03431 - Lower Boscadjack Farm Trenear Helston Cornwall - Removal of existing agricultural buildings and erection of three new dwellings, conversion and extension of existing building to form dwelling, diversion of public footpaths, and installation of sewage treatment plant. The size and number of buildings proposed in such a rural area with no public transport links is of concern to the council. It was RESOLVED to Object to the application on the basis that the previous concerns remain and it is a large inappropriate development in the countryside which is not in keeping with the area.

PA19/08655 - Land North Of 8 Merther Close, Merther Close, Sithney, Cornwall - New detached dwelling (amendments to previously approved dwelling PA15/10111). It was RESOLVED that the previous two objections regarding this plot still stand. The plot could be far better used for bungalows for the elderly and local people. The conditions on the plot have been removed and it would appear that only the Environmental Protection department have been consulted. Clarity is also needed regarding the public amenity land, which clerk will speak to Coastline about.

Approved:

PA19/05073 - Lower Trannack Mill Quarry Coverack Bridges Helston Cornwall TR13 0LX - Demolition of redundant industrial shed structures and development of single dwelling with variation of condition 2 of appeal APP/D0840/W/18/3205248 (PA18/00082).

PA19/07216 - Cober Dell Lowertown Helston Cornwall TR13 0BY - Extension to the existing dwelling.

10. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Bridleway 230/30/1 – Coverack Bridges to Lowertown – Cormac have no update.

Trannack Quarry Bridge – DMMO / Definitive Map – deferred to December 2019.

Footpath 8, Sithney, Closure – Originally 23 March 2018 to 15th October 2019 (24 hours), now extended until 16th October 2020.

11. REPORT OF THE CLERK & CORRESPONDENCE

South west Tree warden forum – Cllr Rogers – Deferred to December 2019.

Defibrillator – New case and Insurance Claim – Davey and Gilbert have installed the new case and the Defibrillator is back working again. Clerk has submitted an insurance claim to Zurich insurance.

Affordable Housing – circulated by email.

CC – Community Road Safety Forum – circulated by email.

Lane Chynhale – Crowntown – Clerk has reported to Highways.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) payment – Deferred to December 2019.

CC – Localism Newsletter – circulated by email.

Remembrance Service -Poppy Wreath – Service is at Porthleven Assemble at Public Hall 1-45. It was RESOLVED and agreed to donate £150 to the RBL appeal. Cllr Martin to attend and lay wreath on behalf of SPC.

12. LMP – Extra cutting – Clerk has received list of works form the contractor and will forward to CC for agreement.

13a) PAYMENTS - It was proposed by Cllr. Hilditch seconded by Cllr. Tresidder all in favour that the following payments are authorised:

	£
Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS) – Clerk	102.81
Cllr B Rogers – Tree warden forum	15.00
R Sanders – Plover’s Field Cutting	156.00
Ronnie Richards Memorial Charity	420.00
Davey & Gilbert Ltd	95.40
Royal British Legion – Poppy Appeal (Poppy Wreath)	150.00
Sithney Brownies	250.00
	1,189.21

13b) FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE CLERK – The Clerk reported that she had invoices to pay totaling £1,189.21 as reported in item 13a. The balance at the end of October on the Current Account is £15,964.35 and on the Business Saver is £32,701.28. The monthly report has been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed by Cllr. Hilditch seconded by Cllr. Martin all in favour that the report be accepted.

13c) BUDGET MEETING / PRECEPT SETTING AND AUDIT – Clerk will set a meeting with the auditing Cllrs McDonald and Logan

14. BUS SHELTER – Cormac have quoted for the asbestos examination report, however clerk will source other quotes.

15. TELEPHONE BOX – Coverack Bridges – Cllr McDonald has kindly advised that there is electricity available in the box, SPC are happy to allow the community from Coverack Bridges to move forward and purchase the Defibrillator.

16. OVER 60’S POST CHRISTMAS PARTY – Funding Request – clerk has received a request from the Brownies on behalf of the over 60’s group to donate towards their post-Christmas party for £250. On Sat 18th January 2020, at Nancegollan village hall 4 - 8pm. The aim being to help prevent the loneliness of the dark winter evenings after the Christmas festivities end for our over 60’ s friends. Up to 60 guests are invited. £250 would go towards £50 hall hire, £150 food and drinks for tea and pasty supper, £50 Christmas cake and a small gift. Clerk noted that although SPC has already donated to the guides and Brownies this year, this is a separate group helped by them, but the direct benefit is the over 60’s. It was RESOLVED to support the request and £250.00 donated to the Brownies this evening.

SITHNEY – STEPPINGSTONES (Pre-School) –The Sithney Steppingstone is a Pre-School facility run by the School and is seen as an essential part of introducing small children to educational and social activity. The school also sees this as a way of progressing children into the school and keeping the school pupil numbers at a sustainable level. The outside building, they use has no heating or electricity and they have been quoted £1800 to install it. Cllr Keeling has kindly donated £500 towards it. It was agreed clerk to request they source two more quotes before any donation is agreed.

17. REQUEST FROM SITHNEY PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS AND TEACHERS: 20mph zone extension. The school wish to request from CC that the signs for the start of the twenty mph zone be moved about two hundred meters away from the current position to extend the twenty mph zone to overlap the Plovers Field road junction and Car Park. Also, that the pavement from the Car Park could be changed from partial grassed with a narrow tarmac path to a complete hard surface that would allow parents and children to pass each other on path at busy times. The school would like the parish council’s view on how best to proceed and SPC’s support. Cllrs agreed clerk would contact the school to advise of SPC support.

18. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 3rd December 2019 at 7.30pm at Sithney School.