

SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT TRANNACK SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 06th NOVEMBER 2018 AT 7.30PM.

Cllr. P. Martin (Chairman)

Cllr. J. Keeling (Vice Chairman)

Cllr. Mrs. L Penrose

Cllr. A. Ashmore

Parish Clerk Mrs. Jodie Ellis and 7 members of the public.

Cllr. B. Rogers

Cllr. A. McDonald

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Cllr. M. Tresidder

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 02nd October 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 an interest in Planning Item PA18/09543.

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

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Plover's Field Open Space – Coastline have advised: 'With reference to the tents, it is a term of the tenancy agreements that personal possessions should not be put in communal areas, and I have advised that the Common Ground belongs to the Council and she should seek permission from them regarding playing in this area, which I can see she has. I believe that playing in the road is not safe and can cause accidents.

Highways Representative – Cllr. J. Keeling advised Mike Peters from Cormac is aware of the issues but unfortunately covers a large area and is extremely busy.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

The agent for PA18/08972 advised the application is to replace a 60/70's bungalow with the applicants dream home. The application is for a property that will match those in the surrounding area. It will be an improvement on the existing bungalow.

The agent for PA18/09078 advised the application is for a long-standing holiday park, that had initial planning granted back in 1995 with restrictions on number of units and length of time of occupancy. New owners purchased the site a few years ago and have changed and improved the site. This application is not to extend or intensify. The total number of units of 15 is to remain the same but with a different site layout. Removal of old conditions which are out of date to allow year-round occupancy.

The chairman advised moving planning next on the agenda due to the public present this evening.

7. PLANNING: -

Applications:

PA18/08972 - Minroma Trenear Helston Cornwall - Erection of a replacement dwelling.

There is an existing 3 bedroom bungalow and the application is to replace it with a 4 bedroom dormer. Design and access statement advises the new dwelling will be 30% bigger than the existing dwelling. Policy 7 states that a replacement dwelling should be broadly comparable to the size, scope and bulk of an existing dwelling. If 30% can be interpreted as 'broadly' then it is in line with Policy 7. It is assumed that the addition of dormer windows would not impact on the neighbouring properties. It was unanimously agreed that Sithney PC supports the application.

PA18/09078 - Poldown Caravan Park Poldown Breage TR13 9NN - Continued use of land as holiday/static/touring caravan site (amendments to types of accommodation) (decision PA95/00809/F) without complying with conditions 2, 3, 4 and 5. It was noted that there are 6 objection comments submitted online. The application is not within Sithney Parish but borders it. The original approval required caravans to be vacant between November and the 01st April each year. Some Pitches have been re-sited causing a breach in the planning conditions. It was unanimously agreed that Sithney PC supports the application.

PA18/09244 - Redundant Barn Adj To Cudna Barn Cudna Lane Crowtown Cornwall - Proposed Barn Conversion (Amended Design). The Barn has previously had planning approval to be converted into 2 dwellings. The Barn on the North was done at this time, and this application is for the other Barn. The design and access statement points out that the intention is to convert the buildings in a sympathetic manner using local materials and retaining original features where possible. The plans don't appear to include any major alterations. There would be no adverse effect on the countryside and would be a good use of the existing building. It was unanimously agreed that Sithney PC supports the application.

PA18/09617 - 2 Chynhale Cottages Chynhale Sithney Helston - Single-storey rear extension. One side of the extension will sit on the neighbours parting wall. The roof will be similar to the existing extension on the other side. The proposed extension would better suit the needs of the young family and would not impact visually on the existing house or its neighbours. It was unanimously agreed that Sithney PC supports the application.

7.46 pm Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose left the meeting.

PA18/09543 – Cober Mill, Bal Road, Lowertown – New First Floor Balcony. The balcony would sit above a door and the window would have to be removed. It would enhance the property and provide a nice outside space for the owner, it is not overlooking anyone. It was unanimously agreed that Sithney PC supports the application.

7.49pm Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose returned.

Approved:

PA18/07066 - Barn at Home Farm Trevarno Sithney Cornwall TR13 0RU - Proposed conversion of former agricultural building to form dwelling.

PA18/06208 – Land & Building Adj Mellangoose, Sithney – Change of use and conversion of redundant agriculture buildings to form a single dwelling and garage / outbuilding.

Appeal:

PA18/00082 – Lower Trannack mill Quarry, Coverack bridges, Helston, TR13 0LX – Demolition of redundant industrial shed structures and development of single dwelling. Comments to be made by the 27.11.18. Cllrs Penrose and McDonald to look into.

8. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS – Cllr. P. Martin advised due to the works at Sithney Church this year's remembrance service will be held at Porthleven at 2.30pm.

9. COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - 24-hour notice in accordance with Standing Orders advisable – Cllr B Rogers – Advised there is a Tree Wardens meeting at the end of November that he will be attending and will report back. Cllr. Mrs. L. Penrose attended the planning conference and found it very useful how Inspectors do not always bow to CC planning officer's decisions. Cllrs were shown tips for planning comments and it was suggested in future that PAP give clerk their comments to include to planning and in the minutes.

10. CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS – Cllr. J. Keeling advised Good news that the 43 house development in Ashton has been refused permission by delegated powers last week. This complies very much with the discussions I have had over the past months with the planning case officer and I am quite confident it will stand up to appeal if that is the route taken by the applicant. Representations by members of the public and statutory consultees were of a high standard indeed. I attended the Customer Relations Overview and Scrutiny Committee during the month and questioned the level of long-term debt Cornwall Council holds at the present moment and a further investment programme which could require borrowing £600 million and with the council already having long-term debt worth £635 million. That would double the present debt to £1.2 billion. Though the investment plans for building new homes, commercial space to support the creation of businesses as well as the development of healthcare facilities and schools. My comments on Cornish stuff are about the growth of debt in the authority and the need to talk to the public to make people aware of why we are investing in Cornwall. The risk could grow to £1.2 billion and that is frightening. One comment was that although, presently, the council has £635 million in long-term debt it also holds assets worth more than £2 billion. Of course, the impact of the investment programme and the borrowing could have on the council's revenue budget due to the need to repay the borrowing and whether the council can afford to do so, and the impact on council tax payers of course. The structure of the proposed programme was still unclear to me and considering the size of the programme the council should take outside advice.

At a recent meeting of the 7 Cornwall Councillors for the South Kerrier area we agreed to purchase 14 Mobile Speed Activation Signs, two per councillor. Although the MSAS would be used in areas of my division such as Breage and Ashton where speed restrictions are already in place, the issue of the rural roads such as the B3303 and B3302 remain problematic. The Highway Manager has agreed that some covert monitoring could be undertaken in parts of the roads where speeding is evident and a real concern for residents. The siting, maintenance and general housekeeping of the MSAS equipment is yet to be decided and I think the Community Link Officer is working on that presently.

The Cornwall Council budget is being consulted on at the moment and there are opportunities for the public to get involved as well as it being discussed at the forthcoming Community Network Meeting at Cury. I intend, if possible, to put forward an alternative budget to ensure that resources are focussed on those services that people hold dear, particularly in the rural areas. I did this last year to try and reduce the council tax burden on local people and narrowly missed getting it through as an alternative budget. Cllr. J. Keeling advised if a Cornwall Council car park ticket machine is not working then users do not have to pay.

11. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Lowertown Leats – Cormac have advised when they visited the site earlier this month the works were still outstanding, however the notice period has not yet run out so there has been no movement on CC's end.

Bridleway 230/30/1 – Coverack Bridges to Lowertown – No Update has been received.

Footpath 8 Sithney – Closure – Clerk has been advised that the delay is due to the Helston Railway Company waiting on their insurance company to agree on works/payments etc.

12. REPORT OF THE CLERK & CORRESPONDENCE

RSN Weekly Newsletters

CC – Planning Newsletter.

NALC Legal update – October 2018

CC – Draft Budget - Online

Helston & South Kerrier CNP Meeting notes

CC – Planning Consultation

Car / Horse Lorry on road just before the Grove – A parishioner had reported the two vehicles to the clerk who passed onto Highways. Highways have been out the vehicles belong to the middle property and so cannot be removed by CC but have been reported to the DVLA for being on the highway with no Tax / MOT.

Remembrance Service – Sunday 11th November - Porthleven Methodist Chapel at 2.30 pm

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

	£
Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS) – Clerk	97.59
Royal British Legion – Poppy Appeal (Poppy Wreath)	80.00
Cornwall Council – 2 x Cllrs Planning Training	24.00
	<u>201.59</u>

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13b) FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE CLERK – The Clerk reported that she had invoices to pay totaling £201.59 as reported in item 13a. The balance at the end of October on the Current Account is £11,864.56 and on the Business Saver is £32,636.14. 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. A. McDonald, all in favour that the report be accepted. Cllr. B. Rogers asked what the heading ‘Newsletter’ was in the monthly report. Cllr. P. Martin advised what it was for and how it used to be distributed.

13c) BUDGET MEETING / PRECEPT SETTING – Clerk would like to arrange a meeting with the auditing Cllrs and asked if any other Cllrs would like to attend. It was advised Cllr McDonald, Keeling, Rogers, and Tresidder would be invited.

14. GDPR – Clerk has circulated all documents to Cllrs. It was proposed by Cllr. B. Rogers seconded by Cllr. A. McDonald all in favour that the clerk stores the documents in an electronic folder and updates the website.

15. CO-OPTION – Clerk has circulated the paperwork from Mr Logan, who spoke at the meeting to reiterate his interest in helping people raise civic responsibility. Mr Logan expressed that he had only lived in the Parish for 2 years, Cllr. B. Rogers advised this was not a negative as people can bring different things. It was proposed by Cllr. J. Keeling seconded by Cllr. B. Rogers, all in favour to Co-Opt Mr Logan on to the council. Mr Logan signed his acceptance of office.

16. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – Cllr. B. Rogers has spoken with a lady involved with the Lowertown community Group who is interested in the possibility of a Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr. B. Rogers sought a resolution to progress in the new year to producing leaflets to go out via the schools. It was proposed by Cllr. P. Martin seconded by Cllr. J. Keeling all in favour subject to costs.

17. S137 – Cornwall Hospice Care, have asked if Sithney PC would like to donate. It was proposed by Cllr. J. Keeling seconded by Cllr. A. McDonald, all in favour that Sithney PC donated £300.

18. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 04th December 2018 at 7.30pm at Sithney School.