

MINUTES of the ANNUAL MEETING OF PENTEWAN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL held on WEDNESDAY 17 MAY 2017 in The Committee Room, St Austell One Stop Shop

Present: Cllrs George Muskett, Mike Ward, Liz Mahoney, Miles Avery

In attendance: Cllr James Mustoe (Cornwall Councillor), Helen Nicholson (Community Link Officer), Julie Larter (Clerk), PCSO Dingle. Lisa Solly (Situ8) and Mr Furze (regarding planning application PA17/01656)

Cllr Miles Avery took the Chair

(17/001) Election of a Chairman

Cllr Derek Yeo was elected Chairman.

(17/002) Declaration of Acceptance of Office

As Cllr Yeo was absent, it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Yeo could sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office prior to the next ordinary meeting.

(17/003) Election of a Vice Chairman

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Miles Avery be elected as Vice-Chairman.

(17/004) Parish Councillors' Declaration of Acceptance of Office if a Councillor is not present

It was **RESOLVED** that councillors not present could make such a Declaration at or before the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

(17/005) Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Derek Yeo and Cllr Ian Watkins

(17/006) Parish Councillor Vacancies

Miranda Smith was co-opted to fill the vacancy for the Pentewan ward.

(17/007) The General Power of Competence

It was determined that the Council meets the criteria for eligibility for the General Power of Competence and it was **RESOLVED** to adopt the power.

(17/008) Minutes of the meeting held on 19 April 2017

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 April were an accurate record of the meeting.

(17/009) Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

(17/010) Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman enquired about Ralph Curr and asked the Clerk to write to Mr Curr thanking him for his contribution to the Parish Council and wishing him well for the future.

(17/011) Public Participation

Mrs Nicholson said that the AGM of the St Austell and Mevagissey Community Network Panel will be held on 14 June where it was proposed that a representative from each council would give an overview of the past 12 months to share successes and frustrations. Mrs Nicholson said that Cornwall Council is encouraging members of the public to report problems to them using their on-line reporting system.

(17/012) Cornwall Councillor's Report

CLlr Mustoe thanked members of the parish who voted for him on 4 May and said that he was looking forward to working with the community again for the next 4 years.

CLlr Mustoe updated members on the leak on the B3294 at London Apprentice. Contractors have identified an underground leak coming from the rising main and are trying to locate the exact position. It is probable that the leak is in the vicinity of the pumping station at London Apprentice.

CLlr Ward reported that another coach and lorry had tried to use Pentewan Hill and CLlr Mustoe will inform Highways.

(17/013) Devon and Cornwall Police Report

PCSO Dingle stated that 1 crime was reported last month – drink driving. PCSO Dingle explained that she is being seconded to another role until September and there will be only 4 PCSOs covering the St Austell and outlying area over the summer.

(17/014) Planning Applications and Related Matters

(i) PA17/01656 – Land North of Nanterrow, Lower Tregongeeves: Outline application for proposed residential development

Lisa Solly of Situ8 outlined amended plans.

It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council retains its objection to the proposal. There appears to be a disparity of information between the topographical survey and the Flood Risk Assessment as to water surface elevations. Members requested Cornwall Council to ask the Environment Agency to look at levels on the topographical survey compared with paragraph 6.2 of the Flood Risk Assessment. The concerns relate to the entrance to the site.**

(ii) PA17/03374 - Honey Way, Lower Tregongeeves: Proposed second storey extension

It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council has no objections to the proposal**

(iii) PA17/04512 – Riverbank, London Apprentice: First floor extension to the rear with minor internal work in existing ground floor

Members were concerned that neighbours had not been adequately notified of the application and the Clerk was requested to ask the Planning Officer to notify all adjoining properties.

It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Parish Council objects to the proposal as it considers this to be over development of the site.**

Other Planning Matters

It was noted that an amount of hardcore has been laid in a field in London Apprentice and the site is generally untidy with various vehicles and sheds. The site is within the flood plain and the Clerk was asked to report the matter to the Environment Agency.

(17/015) Pentewan Flood Defences (Pentewan Emergency Plan)

The matter is ongoing.

(17/016) Coastal Flooding Risk

The campsite has undertaken further work to realign the river but the river has moved and eroded the sandbank. The headland and wall are very exposed to storm damage.

(17/017) River Banks

There was nothing to report.

(17/018) Menagwins Water Treatment Works/Levalsa Pumping Station

South West Water has been keeping Cllr Mustoe informed of activity throughout the month. It was noted that Levalsa pumping station is currently emitting smells and Cllr Mustoe will report this to South West Water.

(17/019) Menagwins Car Park

Cornwall Council is waiting for legal advice regarding liability for the large pothole by the gate.

(17/020) Highways Matters

(i) Traffic Regulation Order

Cllr Ward reported that a German coach had got stuck at the top of Pentewan Hill earlier in the day. A breakdown of the quote for a TRO has received from Cormac. The Clerk was asked to write to Cath Robinson (Chief Operating Officer and Section 151 Officer, Cornwall Council) and copy in Nigel Blackler (Service Director, Transport and Infrastructure, Cornwall Council) about Cormac's performance regarding the quote. Mrs Nicholson suggested that perhaps a blanket Traffic Regulation Order could be put together for several parishes. Cllr Mustoe will raise the matter at the next Community Network Panel Meeting.

The Clerk reported that she still hasn't received a replacement cheque from B & Q for the TRO but will continue to chase the matter. The Clerk has received correspondence from a Pentewan resident requesting the £750 gift card from B & Q. It was **RESOLVED to carry out a consultation with all residents of the village to determine how the money should be spent.**

(ii) It was noted that Cllr Avery has installed the new litter bin in the bus shelter in Pentewan.

(iii) Cllr Smith has tidied up the bus shelters in Tregorrick, but they need power washing to remove algae. It was suggested that the Cornwall Hotel be approached to clean them. Cllr Smith is currently investigating "hedgehog crossing" signs.

(17/021) Meetings/Training Attended

There was nothing to report.

(17/022) Financial Matters

Current balances were noted and the following payments were authorised:

| Cheques | | | £ |
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| 000 376 | Complete Weed Control (SW) | Pavement weed spraying | 216.00 |
| 000 377 | Biffa | Contract for emptying new bin in bus shelter | 238.37 |
| 000 378 | South West Water | Water charges for public toilets | £130.18 |
| 000 379 | Pentewan Sands Ltd | Ground rent for bus shelter | £5.00 |
| 000 380 | Mrs V Page | May salary | * |
| 000 381 | St Austell Bay Parish Council | 1/3 share cost of eye test | £10.00 |
| 000 382 | Mrs J Larter | May salary | * |
| | | Mileage March/April | £55.35 |
| | | Working from Home Allowance | £104.00 |
| | | Refreshments | £0.85 |

Automated Payments

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| DD | Cornwall Council | Business Rates for Menagwins Car Park | £50.00 |
| DD | NEST | Clerk’s Pension (EE and ER contributions) | * |

*Publication of salary payments is excluded under the Data Protection Act

(17/023) Correspondence Received

A list of correspondence had previously been circulated with the agenda papers and the following items had been subsequently received:

- Letters from North Cornwall Cluster Group complaining about Cornwall Council retaining business rates on public toilets and the lack of an increase in LMP payments for cutting Public Rights of Way in the parish
- An enquiry to site an ice cream van on the Pentewan Trail – the Clerk has passed this on to the Countryside Officer

(17/024) Dates for the Diary

- 14 June – Planning Training – Cllr Ward and the Clerk to attend
- 14 June – St Austell and Mevagissey Community Network Panel Meeting – Cllrs Yeo and Muskett to attend
- 15 June – Meeting with The Cornwall Hotel and Cornwall Council planning officers

(17/025) Dates of Forthcoming Meetings

(To be held in the Committee Room, St Austell One Stop Shop unless stated otherwise all commencing at 1900)

21 June, 19 July, 16 August (if required), 20 September, 18 October, 22 November, 20 December.

..... Chairman

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