

TREVERBYN PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING held on June 29th 2021 at Rockhill Business Park.

Present : Councillors – Mrs A Roberts (Chairman) L Allen, Mrs J Burnhill, P Highland, M Luke, Mrs M Rance-Matthews, S Marsh, M Shand, Mrs J Tompsett, Mrs A Wills, County Councillor P Guest and the Parish Clerk, D Stevens.

Apologies : Cllrs: Mrs A Ellis, G Hooper, Mrs D Jennens and J Washington.

One member of the public present.

There was one declaration of interest from Councillor M Shand re Finance.

Public Question Time

Mr M Roberts, a resident of Trethurgy questioned certain points from recent minutes of Council meetings, namely the likely date when the replacement road signs for the village of Trethurgy would be in place and suggested more information of such matters should be detailed on the Parish website. County Cllr M Luke outlined the delay for many of the road improvements throughout the Parish falls back on the pandemic. Mr Roberts then asked if the Parish Council were supporting the 20's plenty for Cornwall traffic scheme. It was explained that unfortunately the virtual meeting arranged by the organisers clashed with this meeting but the Clerk agreed to forward all the information about the scheme to Mr Roberts as he was keen to progress this matter within the local community.

The Clerk then explained to Council that Mr Roberts had volunteered and distributed copies of the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire to all households in Trethurgy and he felt that it should be placed on record the Parish Council's grateful thanks to Mr Roberts for his efforts.

Min 55/21 Minutes of Meeting held on May 25th 2021.

The minutes of the meeting held on May 25th 2021 had been circulated and Cllr Mrs M Rance- Matthews proposed that they be approved, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Wills. All in favour.

Min 56/21 Matters arising from the minutes.

Matters to report on from the May 25th meeting most of which would be covered in later agenda items :

Min 49/21 (iv) The Clerk reported that Cornwall Council had taken responsibility for the repair of the glass at the bus shelter at Carnsmerry, Bugle.

Min 49/21 (ix) Cllr Marsh clarified the figures recorded for the distribution of food bags was on a weekly basis.

Min 57/21 County Councillor's Report

County Councillor, Peter Guest, gave details of his early days in the role and listed the various committees to which he had been assigned by Cornwall Council in particular Adult Education and Fishing. He added that he was actively getting to know the Parish, its personalities and their issues. He was supporting the Parish Council and the neighbouring residents with the contentious planning application at Rosevear Road, Bugle. He added that he had obtained the names and details of the two young lads who had completed the litter pick in the parks of Bugle. (Action - Parish Council to discuss Citizen Awards)

County Councillor M Luke also provided details of the various committees that he will be serving on for the next 4 years. Already licensing was very busy with renewals and new businesses. He also reported on meetings with Treverbyn Community Hall and Cornwall Council representatives re Trethurgy Playing fields (see later)

On other local Parish matters he reported that the traffic calming matters in Trethurgy and Penwithick were still work in progress but had been delayed by 18 months due to the pandemic. Drilling had commenced at the Eden Geothermal Project, all running to schedule and was currently 1000metres down. The main comments were how amazingly quiet the whole procedure was to the local environment. The clearance of the Old Carclaze School site had now commenced but was experiencing delays through various construction issues.

Cllrs Mrs A Wills and L Allen enquired about the traffic lights on Bodmin Road, St Austell (temporary traffic lights for over 6 years on this stretch of road) and it appears that there are still ongoing discussions with one of the residents.

Min 58/21 Matters within the Parish

- (i) Notification of vehicles parked on the grass verge at the top of Stannary Road.
- (ii) Correspondence exchanged with Mr R Coad a resident of Molinnis and Cllr P Highland stated that he had again been approached by Mr Coad about the Molinnis Institute land. The Clerk gave details of his progress with Land Registry on the matter plus the action group that had been formed a number of years ago. Cllr P Highland agreed to take the matter on board and would report back on any progress made.
- (iii) Correspondence from Mrs J Bowler owner of the land where Bugle Cricket Club is situated and her thoughts on possible development of that land.
- (iv) Correspondence from a local resident commenting on land NE of Little Hallaze, Carbis Mor (circulated to councillors) and requesting a meeting with the Parish Council to discuss their concerns. **(agreed to attend July 27 meeting)**.
- (v) The Clerk reported on a recent meeting with PCSO Tibbles who expressed concerns on anti-social behaviour issues at Hallaze Road woods, he requested extra litter bins in Bugle Skateboard Park, Penwithick Park and Hallaze Road park and commented that the dog waste bin was too close to the children's play area at Treverbyn Park and asked if the gates to this park had been fixed. It was noted that apart from the Skateboard Park all other matters were on Cornwall Council owned land.
- (vi) Further correspondence updating the proposed remedial work to be undertaken at Trethowel to alleviate the flooding issues had been circulated.

- (vii) Cormac report on their repair work at Stannary Road. Cllr M Shand stated that only part of the work had been completed.
- (viii) The Clerk gave details of his efforts to report persons living in abandoned vehicles behind Rockhill Café and stating that the Police (because vehicles were unregistered) and Cornwall Council Environmental Health (because on private land) did not want to be involved. He had then reported the matter to Imerys who were the owners of the piece of land.
- (ix) Cllr P Highland expressed some concerns at comments made by a fellow Councillor on social media which fringed on the rules of Code of Conduct. The Clerk to contact that councillor expressing the Parish Council's concerns. **(action taken)**.
- (x) Cllr M Luke gave details of funding for Gateway signs in his ward and stated that it was no longer Cornwall Council policy to install speed humps.
- (xi) Cllr Mrs A Roberts reported that the footpaths along the A391 Distributor Road badly needed cutting as did the railway sidings at Ruddlemoor (Imerys owned). She also commented on the buildings on the new West Carclaze Garden village site were closer than expected to the roadside and featured unusual black colour schemes. It was suggested that a meeting with Ecobos be arranged. **(action taken)**
- (xii) Cllr Mrs A Wills commented that the boundary wall at Rosevear Meadows had not been taken back from the footpath as promised by the developer. The Clerk to remind the developer of his commitment. **(action taken)**.
- (xiii) Cllr M Shand reported on the footpath from Greensplat, Higher Boscovillick Farm to Trewoon is in need of cutting back.

Notice of road closures:

Starrick Moor resurfacing June 29th -July 9th.

B3374 Penwithick road – Carluddon July 12th -16th.

Eden Access Road – July 12th – July 16th

Min 59/21 Finance

Councillors were presented with a list of Income & Expenditure Accounts for the month ending May 25th 2021. A detailed breakdown of transactions was given by the Clerk and it was agreed that the accounts be approved, proposed by Cllr Mrs M Rance-Matthews, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Wills. One declaration of interest (MS).

A further application for a Section 137 grant had been received from Bugle School to assist in financing a barbecue and party for the students leaving the school during the Summer. It was discussed that it was a similar request to that recently received from Treverbyn Academy. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs A Wills, seconded by Cllr P Highland that a similar amount of £250 be appropriate. All in favour. **Chq no 3402**

He then stated that an examination of the accounts for year ended March 31st 2021 had been completed and approved by the Internal Auditor, Janet Margetts of Roy Sandey, St Austell and he asked for Councillors to certify that the Accounting Statements for the financial year ended on March 31st were correct and to be approved. Proposed by Cllr M Luke, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Wills All in favour.

Min 60/21 Correspondence

The Clerk has continued to keep councillors informed by forwarding matters of interest and importance.

- Latest Cornwall Council updates and CALC Covid19 information are regularly circulated.
- Confirmation that Sahran Higgins, Exeter University and Matthew Healey, Westcountry Rivers Trust would be giving a presentation on the reclamation work being undertaken at Lower Molinnis Moor.
- Correspondence and a phone call from Marion Marot, 'Like a Shot entertainment' giving information of work on a TV series called Abandoned Engineering on the Yesterday channel an Discovery channel and an episode will feature Goonbarrow Refinery.
- E mail from office of the Police & Crime commissioner giving information on a community grants scheme for a safer Cornwall.
- Clerks of Parish Councils quarterly meeting on Monday July 19th at 10.00am. DS to attend.
- Finance for Councillors training various dates June 30th – July 20th. Cllr M shand indicated that he would like to attend.
- Details of Chairmanship training on Wednesday August 11th and/or August 25th, Cllr Mrs A Roberts has agreed to attend.
- County Cllr M Luke reported on a recent meeting that he had attended, together with Cllr Mrs A Roberts and the Clerk re Trethurgy Playing fields. A small enthusiastic committee had been formed and with the assistance of Tasha Davis, Community Network Officer and Caitlin Lord from Cornwall Council were looking to seek funding and training for play equipment and to move this venture forward for the betterment of the local community. Cllr Mrs J Tomsett expressed an interest to assist but might have difficulty to attend meetings of that new committee.
- Correspondence re the 2023 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies together with the comments of the local County Councillors had been circulated to all councillors. It was agreed to postpone a comment from the Parish Council until everyone had time to digest the contents, but the initial general feeling was to keep the constituency for the China clay area. Proposed by Cllr M Shand, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Roberts. All in favour.

Min 61/21 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Mrs J Burnhill reported that questionnaires were still being returned and Katie Sturtridge had received 119 electronically. The official closing date being tomorrow (June 30). Current matters highlighted so far were traffic matters (Parking, speeding), homes for young people and new small business units.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Mrs J Burnhill for all the effort that she had done on the Plan.

Min 62/21 Japanese Knotweed Issues

It was reported that the Chairman and the Clerk had arranged a site visit with residents of Eden Way, Penwithick and the actions taken to try to establish ownership of the land where the problem original outbreak sourced. Cllr L Allen was then thanked for visiting a residence at Trethowel where the same evasive plants were growing on the river bank. Similarly the Clerk is trying to establish ownership and responsibility.

Min 63/21 Parish website

Cllr M Shand continues to update the website and will take note of Mr Roberts comments about putting more local information and matters of interest on the site.

Min 64/21 Climate Change

Cllr Marsh had agreed to represent the Parish Council at a recent Cornwall Council presentation on Climate Change which included the possibilities of Crowdfund Cornwall being able to support projects to tackle the climate emergency. She apologized that she had to leave part way through but thought that the presentations would be later forwarded and shared. She added that she hoped to arrange a meeting of the Parish Council’s Climate Change and Tree Committee in the near future.

Min 65/21 Clay Community Network Panel.

Cllr M Luke and the Clerk had attended the virtual Annual General Meeting of the China Clay Community Network Panel on Monday June 14th 2021. For information it was agreed that County Councillor Dick Cole would chair the meeting for the next 12 months.

Min 66/21 Emergency Items

A reminder to members of the Finance & General Purposes Committee a meeting to be held on Monday July 12th at 1.00pm, prior to the Planning sub-committee meeting.

Meeting declared closed at 9.55 pm.

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