

## TREVERBYN PARISH COUNCIL

### COUNCIL MEETING held on March 28<sup>th</sup> 2023 at Rockhill Business Park.

Present : Councillors –Mrs A Roberts ( Chairman), L Allen, Mrs J Burnhill, P Highland, G Hooper, M Luke, Mrs M Rance-Matthews, M Shand, K Stephens, G Tregidga, Mrs A Wills, the Parish Clerk D Stevens and the Deputy Clerk D Hawken.

Apologies : Councillors - County Councillor P Guest.

There were no members of the public present.

The Chairman, Mrs A Roberts welcomed everyone and formally introduced the new Deputy Clerk , Mr Darren Hawken.

There was no declaration of interests.

#### **Public Participation**

No items to be raised

#### **Min 18/23 Minutes of meeting held on February 28<sup>th</sup> 2023.**

The minutes of the meeting held on February 28th 2023 had been circulated and were approved. Proposed by Cllr Luke, seconded by Cllr Mrs J Burnhill. All in favour.

#### **Min 19/23 Matters arising.**

There were no matters arising that would not be included in agenda items

#### **Min 20/23 County Councillor's Report**

County Councillor M Luke stated he had very little to add to his update last month.

- Speaking with representatives of Ocean housing on a number of Parishioner's problems with suitable housing and repair issues.
- Meeting with officers re Old Carclaze School resulted in Cornwall Rural Housing Association concluding that they cannot make the scheme work and the Cornwall Council are producing a feasibility study on taking over any development themselves.
- At a recent meeting at the Eden Project it was announced that a large new children's play area is to be created.
- On a very wet morning together with the Chairman, Clerk and local resident Mr Malcolm Roberts met with two members of the Cormac Design team to assess the traffic issues in Trethurgy and possible

solutions. After lengthy discussions Cormac are to produce a feasibility study on some of the suggestions made.

- Attended the Clay Community Network meeting held the previous evening. Agenda item later.
- Expressed his concerns at the current situation at Penwithick Community Hall.

County Councillor P Guest had not submitted a monthly report as he was on holiday in Malta.

### **Min 21/23 Matters within the Parish**

- (i) Cllr Mrs A Roberts stated that a new footpath sign was required at Trethurgy (FP28) to Penwithick.
- (ii) Cllr Mrs J Burnhill reported that there was a lot of litter strewn in the hedgerows on Hensbarrow hill and the brambles and hedges needed trimming back (Imerys land).  
She added that Fahey's Concrete lorries are speeding past her property at the unsociable hour of 5.00am and the continued use of HGV lorries on that road had broken one of the main drains.  
Also Imerys's washers at Goonvean works are now operating at 1.00am.  
It was agreed that these matters would be raised at the next meeting with representatives of Imerys.
- (iii) Cllr P Highland stated that there had been issues with the new chain and fence at Lower Molinnis play-area and a neighbour had volunteered to refix the bracket. Cllr Highland had also supplied a list of vehicles parking in that area that were not legal. **Details have been forwarded to the Police.**
- (iv) Cllr K Stephens again raised the issues of litter/glass at the Skateboard Park and enquired if it was possible to acquire some litter boxes solely for glass collection. He also mentioned the ongoing flood problem on Roche Road emanating from surface water coming down Charles Street.  
Finally, he brought to the attention of Council the mess left by workmen working on a property adjoining Bugle Square.
- (v) Cllr G Tregidga again reported that there were major problems of Anti-Social Behaviour and graffiti centred around the bus shelter just above Penwithick Post Office. **Action taken.**
- (vi) Correspondence from a resident of Lower Molinnis expressing his concerns for the pond life in the stream area behind the play area and enquiring if this could be dredged and made into an attractive feature with possible SSSI status. The main difficulty is that an industrial gas line runs from Bilberry to Rocks Dryers through this site.
- (vii) Complaint of speeding vehicles in Bugle and a request for a speed camera.
- (viii) A request for use of a football field in the Parish for a team setting up for next season.
- (ix) A complaint about the state of Penwithick Park, Hallaze Road namely an unacceptable amount of litter and graffiti. **Forwarded to Cornwall Council.**
- (x) Further complaints from a resident about the illegal parking on the pavements at the roadside on Rosevear Road, Bugle
- (xi) The Clerk had written a formal complaint to Cormac about the state of the road surfaces around Bugle Square and in particular the Roche Road from the Bugle Inn to the Bridge, pointing out that it would be subject to a great deal of activity on June 17<sup>th</sup> West of England Bandsmen's Festival.

### **Min 22/23 Finance**

Councillors were presented with a list of Income & Expenditure Accounts for the period ending March 28<sup>th</sup> 2023. A detailed breakdown of transactions was given by the Clerk and it was agreed that the accounts be approved, proposed by Cllr M Shand, seconded by Cllr Mrs M Rance-Matthews. All in favour.

The Clerk then stated that the Council might consider some of the funds in the current account being transferred to the Business Reserve Account to accrue some interest. It was proposed by Cllr M Shand, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Wills to transfer £10,000. All in favour. **Action taken.**

He was also pleased to announce that the report from the External Auditors, PKF Littlejohn for the year ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 2022 was favourable.

### **Min 23/23 Correspondence**

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

- Latest Cornwall Council updates and CALC information are regularly circulated.
- A letter of request from Cornish Geothermal Distillery Company asking for the Council's support for the proposed concept of the distillery. **Action taken.**
- After some discussions on the possible purchase and siting of a Queen Elizabeth II memorial bench it was agreed not to go ahead.
- Enquiry on the number of fully funded EV charging points in the Parish.
- Latest newsletter from Cornish Lithium had been circulated to councillors.
- Notification from ROSPA of date for annual play equipment inspection. This year the equipment in the Trethurgy play-area had been added.
- Various details from Cornwall Council on events to commemorate the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III
- Details of free CPR & Defibrillator training available.
- Notification of upgrades on mobile phone masts at Goonbarrow China Clay works and land off Penhale Road, Penwithick.

### **Min 24/23 Neighbourhood Plan**

Cllr Mrs J Burnhill stated that we had received details of the proposed changes in planning legislation could affect Neighbourhood Plans from Paul Webber and would try to contact him on the way forward.

### **Min 25/23 Clay Community Network**

The Clerk gave a brief report on the Clay Community Network meeting held on the previous evening, March 27<sup>th</sup> highlighting:

- Concerns about the availability of funding for complimentary measures in the villages once the St Austell – A30 link road is completed.

- Flooding and state of the lane at Lower Molinnis.
- Review of finger post signs and footpaths to be undertaken.
- Review of Gypsy & Traveller Policy is urgently required. Figures of sites from November 2022 show East Cornwall requirement 113 and 121 had been approved, West Cornwall requirement 190 and only 15 had been approved.
- PCSO S Tibbles reported a new inspector at St Austell Matt Trevivian has replaced Ian Jolliffe.
- Increase in speeding in the villages- very little Community Speedwatch programmes in operation since lockdown. Enquiry if average speed cameras through White River Valley is feasible.

**Min 26/23 Emergency Items**

The Clerk collated councillors who expressed an interest in the numerous meetings that needed to be arranged with various organisations i.e Biscovey Youth football club (ML), Bugle Village Hall, Bugle Football Field (PH), Stenalees Park and Bowling Club (GH, MS, ML), Molinnis Institute land, Trethowel Playing fields (LA), Old Carclaze School plus visits to arrange to Sky and Eden academy, Bugle School, Imerys pit to port, Bolghen nurseries and the beavers at Ladock.

Meeting declared closed at 10.15 pm.

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