

## TREVERBYN PARISH COUNCIL

### COUNCIL MEETING held on September 26<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, K Pollard, M Shand, G Tregidga, Mrs. A Wills and Deputy Clerk D Hawken.

Apologies: Apologies were received from the Clerk, Cllr K Stephens and County Councillor P Guest. Cllr Mrs J Burnhill gave prior apologies for her intended late attendance.

Declarations of Interest: Cllr L Allen and Cllr P Highland declared an interest on Agenda item 8 (Finance – Monthly report)

There were two members of the public present.

#### Public Participation

Two Parish residents were in attendance to raise concerns about the issue of excess speed on Carclaze Road. Council was informed that Highways have stated this road is dangerous and that traffic calming is required. The residents asked council if an Expression of Interest could be put forward. Councillors were informed that several accidents have happened in recent times, notably about ten days ago where one car ended up on its roof. Council was informed that Highways have suggested speed cushions or perhaps, change the layout of the road. After much discussion, it was agreed that potential Section 106 money would be explored from the Mulberry Gardens development nearby. Any possible monies may be able to assist with the implementation of traffic calming on this road. **Action: To explore potential Section 106 monies from the Mulberry Gardens development.**

Council then went into committee

Cllr Mrs. J Burnhill had now entered the meeting

#### **Min 79/23 Minutes of meeting held on August 29<sup>th</sup> 2023.**

The minutes of the meeting held on August 29<sup>th</sup> 2023 had been circulated and were approved. Proposed by Cllr M Shand, seconded by Cllr Mrs J Burnhill. All in favour

#### **Min 80/23 Matters arising from the minutes.**

There were a few matters arising that would not be included in agenda items

- The Deputy Clerk informed Council that a multi-agency meeting regarding the ongoing issues of excess speed on the White River Valley has yet to be scheduled. Contact will be made again with Roger Gates to facilitate the meeting. **Action: Meeting to be scheduled**
- Issues surrounding the flooding of a dwelling from a nearby footpath at Little Hallaze is still ongoing after receiving further communication from the resident. The Parish Council have been asked to contact

Cornwall Council again to seek immediate rectification. **Action: To raise the issue again with Cornwall Council**

- The Deputy Clerk informed Council that correspondence has been drafted to send to Imerys regarding the noise disturbance potentially emanating from North Goonbarrow pit in the early hours to nearby residents living on Roche Road, Bugle. The correspondence, pending the Clerk's approval, will be sent to Ann Vivian (or an alternative direct contact) to raise concerns.
- In the absence of County Councillor P Guest, there is no further update as of yet regarding contact with Mr Peter Crawford relating to issues surrounding the creation of ramps in the wooded area above the Skateboard Park and the broken wooden bridge. **Action: To seek an update from County Councillor P Guest in due course.**
- The Deputy Clerk informed Council that South West Water (SWW) had been contacted regarding the broken manhole cover in Carbean. Despite the issue being raised with SWW once and a site visit taking place, the matter had yet to be fixed. It was agreed that the Deputy Clerk make further contact with SWW. **Action: Deputy Clerk to contact SWW again.**
- Notification was relayed to Council that the potential enforcement breach within the White River Valley had been reported to the Cornwall Council Planning Department.
- Correspondence has been sent to both Mr Wes Pascoe and Mr Peter Larwood of Imerys in recent weeks regarding the large sink-holes on Carthew Triangle. As of yet, no reply has been forthcoming. It was agreed that further communication is sent to raise the ongoing issue once again citing potential health and safety concerns. **Action: to contact both Mr Wes Pascoe and Mr Peter Larwood.**

#### **Min 81/23 County Councillor's Report**

- Cllr M Luke informed the Parish Council that he had recently undertaken some Planning Training at Cornwall Council. He had been of late, involved with a bus tour of Bodmin and St Blazey regarding affordable housing matters in conjunction with Ocean Housing. Attendance at the Eden Forum Meeting was relayed to Council with an update on the Geothermal project. Cllr M Luke informed Councillors that he had recently attended a Full Council meeting at Cornwall Council ascertaining to the latest budget. Furthermore, Cllr Luke informed members that he had attended a Local Energy Plan exhibition at Bodmin. That day, he underwent a Member Training Day that included diversity issues, code of conduct, a full updating of member details and a full health check. Another recent meeting attended was the CAP Meeting held at Penwithick Social Club on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September. To conclude, Cllr Luke reminded Councillors that the Cornwall Heritage Trust are holding an event at Roche Victory Hall on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September commencing at 6:30pm entitled, 'What have the Romans ever done for Roche?'. This is a special talk about the findings from Cornwall Archaeological Unit's mitigation work on the new Link Road by passing Roche.
- In the absence of County Councillor P Guest, a report had not been submitted prior to the meeting

#### **Min 82/23 Matters within the Parish**

- (i) Cllr M Shand requested that a letter of thanks be sent to Imerys commenting on the excellent way in which the car park near the entrance of Carloggas has been landscaped and subsequently improved. **Action: Letter to be written to Imerys**
- (ii) Cllr Mrs. A Wills commented that the drain cover at Carbean had yet to be fixed. (As per previous minute under agenda item 80/21 'Matters arising from the previous minutes')
- (iii) Cllr G Hooper commented to Council that Footpath 12 has been cut to an excellent standard.
- (iv) Cllr P Highland informed Council that the bin at New Molinnis Park is regularly overflowing.
- (v) Cllr G Tregidga stated that the local bus timetable is becoming rather inconsistent. Similarly, the cost of bus fares is fluctuating with inconsistencies in their pricing on a daily basis. In general, it was commented that bus services are deteriorating. It was agreed that communication be taken up direct with the bus company. **Action: Letter to be written to the bus company**
- (vi) Cllr M Luke requested that the new sign for the Trethurgy Village Hall car-park be followed up. The Deputy Clerk informed Cllr M Luke that the Parish Council are yet to receive formal notification to erect a new sign and that a gentle reminder would be communicated to the proprietor of the land. **Action Point**
- (vii) Cllr Mrs. J Burnhill informed Council that a pump is resounding an awful noise late at night near to her property at Carbean, possibly emanating from Wheal Martyn Clay Works. She informed Council that it has been reported. There is a possible health and safety concern with the demolition of blockwork that is now fallen around in-situ tanks. Furthermore, Cllr Mrs. J Burnhill reported that the speeding of vehicles was still a concern at Carbean.
- (viii) Cllr Mrs. A Wills reported that a neighbouring Council was having problems with glass at Bethel Park. It was being mentioned merely if a possible trend was being set in the local area. The issue being, broken glass being intentionally buried in built-up mounds by youths. The resident in attendance for public participation informed Council that she would request that a groundsman attends the area at Bethel to seek an update on the issue and a further inspection to ascertain its potential risk to the public.
- (ix) The Deputy Clerk informed Council of forthcoming road closures.
  - a. Carbean – 6<sup>th</sup> October from 09:30-15:30
  - b. Extended road closure from Innis Moor to Carne Cottage – 16<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup> September (24 hours)
- (x) Cllr M Luke informed Councillors that the proposed installation of yellow lines at Ashley Close was indeed, going ahead. He had held communication with Rachael Tatlow and the decision relayed from Cormac was to proceed.
- (xi) The Deputy Clerk informed Council that further complaints had been received from residents with reference of the inadequate play equipment at the Charles Street Park in Bugle. County Councillor P Guest has been in dialogue with Jon Mitchell and Roger Gates as the park falls under the umbrella and control of Cornwall Council.

- (xii) The office has received communication from a resident of Cookworthy Close, Penwithick relating to overgrown trees into a resident's garden emanating from the nearby bus stop area. This matter was raised a few years ago and work carried out to remedy the situation. The maintenance contractor will be actioned to carry out further remedial cutting.
- (xiii) The Deputy Clerk informed Council that overgrown vegetation including nettles was recently being reported on Treverbyn Rd, Stenalees. **Action: To contact Imerys**
- (xiv) Correspondence has been received from Southwest Knotweed in respect of the site at Hallaze Road, Penwithick. Treatment was unable to be carried out on the land owing to the excess growth on site. It was agreed that a post-winter brush would be required before any further treatment commenced in the spring of 2024.
- (xv) Councillors were notified that as of yet, no communication had been received from Mr Wes Pascoe, nor Mr Peter Larwood from Imerys regarding several issues that were brought to their attention. It was agreed that a follow up call or email would be required to facilitate a reply and to arrange a face-to-face meeting in due course.
- (xvi) The pot-hole on the road descending to Menacuddle Well has now been reported to Cornwall Council.
- (xvii) Notification has been received from Ocean Housing of their intention to sell No 4 Mountbatten Road, Penwithick which is currently empty.
- (xviii) The abandoned car, situated at the top of Stannary Road has now been reported. Confirmation was given to Council that the car has subsequently been removed.
- (xix) Cllr M Shand has raised that a large bush is now intruding the pavement on Stannary Road, near to No 34. **Action: To report.**
- (xx) The Deputy Clerk informed Council that the result of recent communication with Ann Trevarton, is that the fallen tree branches at Treverbyn Cemetery are to be elevated to 'urgent' categorisation. The Deputy Clerk had also been given notification that the issue would be addressed within 28 days. Furthermore, a time-scale of 6 months was provided for the trimming and lopping of overgrown trees in and around the Cemetery.
- (xxi) Cllr M Luke was requested to make contact with a resident residing near to Hallaze Road appertaining to a flooding issue. Cornwall Council were informed of the matter; however, no contact has yet been made with the resident. **Action: Cllr M Luke to contact the resident.**
- (xxii) The Deputy Clerk notified Council that a resident of Wesley Close, Stenalees has been in contact with the office relating to unfinished yellow line laying in the aforementioned close. Rachael Tatlow has since responded to state that they will shortly be requesting police assistance to remove a parked vehicle to complete the line laying.
- (xxiii) Correspondence has been recently received from concerned parents informing the Parish Council that an announcement from Cornwall Council has been made, proposing a review into discontinuing a school bus route from Penwithick to Poltair School. The consultation period has commenced and it was encouraged that parents should use the 'Let's Talk Cornwall' webpage to voice their concerns

- (xxiv) The Deputy Clerk has recently received complaints from the Countryside Information Officer concerning the condition of Footpath 12. Action has been taken, informing A1 Grounds to undertake the work as a matter of urgency.

### **Min 83/23 Finance**

Councillors were presented with a list of Income & Expenditure Accounts for the period ending September 26th 2023. A detailed breakdown of transactions was provided by the Clerk and it was agreed that the accounts be approved, proposed by Cllr M Shand, seconded by Cllr Mrs. A Wills. All in favour with two abstentions (PH and LA).

The Deputy Clerk informed Council that an invoice has been received from Situ8, regarding a further payment for work undertaken on the Neighbourhood Plan. After much discussion and clarification, it was agreed that a meeting is to be diarised to take place in due course for all concerned relating to the progression of the plan, its timescales and contents. It was also agreed to contact Cllr D Cole to request information on gipsy and traveller statistics within our Parish. **Action: The office to facilitate a meeting.**

Notification was provided to Councillors that the latest precept payment had been received

The Deputy Clerk informed Council that an invoice will be raised to Anesco Ltd for the room hire, appertaining to the public consultation held in the Meeting Room on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

Communication has been received from Cornwall Council informing the Parish Council that there is some Section 106 monies available relating to Starrick Moor.

### **Min 84/23 Correspondence**

- The Deputy Clerk informed Council of recent correspondence from NALC relating to the Jo Cox Civility Commission Consultation. Councillors were notified that the submission of evidence or suggestions for recommendations, direct to the commission, would be most welcomed.
- Councillors were informed that the forthcoming Treverbyn Hall AGM will be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30pm
- Correspondence has been received from the D-Day 80 celebratory Pageantmaster relating to celebrations on the 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Primary conversations took place amongst Councillors with the suggestion of a Beacon lighting at Carloggas (pending approval) be considered.
- Notification has been received from the Office of our constituency MP, Mr Steve Double acknowledging and accepting an invitation to attend an informal meeting with Councillors to discuss matters appertaining to the White River Valley traffic issues and the future of the old Carclaze School. A date for such a meeting will be provided to Councillors in due course.
- Correspondence has been received from the Mid Cornwall Climate and Eco Hub advertising their Grand Opening to be held on the 30<sup>th</sup> September in Truro. Councillors were provided with the finer details.
- An invitation has been received from St Austell Town Council with information relating to the Remembrance Day Parade and Church Service. A representative will be attending on behalf of the Parish Council.

- Notification of the forthcoming CALC AGM was relayed to Council. The date being, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm. It will take place at St Erme Community Centre.

#### **Min 85/23 Feedback on West Carclaze Health Strategy**

Discussions took place amongst Councillors regarding the confidential West Carclaze Development Health Strategy document that was circulated. After much discussion on the four priorities contained within the report, it was agreed to feedback Councillor's thoughts and opinions at the next Health Strategy meeting that was diarised for early November.

#### **Min 86/23 Biscovey Youth Football – Maintenance Day Feedback**

The Chairman and Deputy Clerk had recently attended a Maintenance Day at Starrick Moor. Nothing but positivity came from the visit to witness the excellent work being carried out there. A point of note was that most of the maintenance being carried out on site was on a voluntary basis by proactive committee members and players. Progress has been made on the development of the car-park, an extra smaller football pitch, new dugouts, signage, painting fences and general landscaping. Moreover, the new players changing facilities and referee facilities was now in-situ with just the electrical, shower and plumbing aspects to complete. The tea-hut is in full operation with external seating now available. The defibrillator that the Treverbyn Community Fund purchased, is in situ. The requirement for top-soil was very much needed and it was agreed that the office contacts Griffiths Construction to seek any soil that may indeed be available. It was noted that 'Treverbyn Parish Council' has not been stated on the new signage on site. This was mentioned to the Chairman who subsequently informed the Chairman that the Parish Council will be acknowledged on all its new signage in the near future. Lastly, as well as hosting junior football, we were informed that a ladies and adult men's team were up and running.

#### **Min 87/23 Update from the CAP Meeting held on 25.09.23**

A summary of the recent CAP meeting held on 25.09.23 was relayed to Councillors. Items discussed were: **'Know Your Area' Presentation** (Amethyst Strategic Intelligence Team and Environmental Partnerships & Climate Change Service) The overview provided an evidence base for the CAP area as well as highlighting specific area differences in intelligence and to help inform the CAP when considering priorities for the Priority action plans. **Feedback on key priorities** from the Chair and Council Leadership Team. **CAP organisational partners** (Police, Integrated Care Board, Voluntary Sector Forum) shared their current priorities. This helped identify existing priorities for consideration, map similar priorities and co-ordinate available resources to support, enhance and drive the jointly agreed CAP priorities.

#### **Min 88/23 Lower Molinnis Neighbourhood Watch Formation Feedback (PH)**

Cllr P Highland reported to Council that the recently formed Lower Molinnis Neighbourhood Watch group held their inaugural meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> August. Turnout from the local residents was extremely promising. Cllr P Highland informed Council that he considered there to be an increased community cohesion with a 'pulling together' attitude sensed since its inception. Neighbours had started to help one another out with collecting in packages and helping track down lost items. Furthermore, Cllr P Highland noted that there had been a decrease in anti-

social behaviour in recent weeks. Neighbourhood Watch stickers were now very visible in the windows of resident's houses.

**Min 89/23 White River Valley Traffic Issues**

The Deputy Clerk read a letter from a resident of Bodmin Road to Council relating to serious concerns about the speeding of vehicles on the White River Valley. Cllr L Allen made an urgent request for a new traffic survey to be conducted in Trethowel in addition to having a feasibility study carried out for the implementation of traffic calming. Two accidents on Drummers Hill have been reported in recent weeks. Two relatively new houses are currently on the market in the old clay dry citing access onto the B3274 and the speed of vehicles as the primary reason for their relocation. It was suggested that letters be requested from the aforementioned residents citing their reasons for moving house. Notable local planning applications received by the Parish Council in recent years had included these very concerns in its feedback during the consultation period.

**Min 90/23 Neighbourhood Plan**

All matters concerning the Neighbourhood Plan were covered and discussed under agenda item 8a - Finance

**Min 91/23 Code of Conduct Training for Full Council 05.10.23**

Councillors were reminded that the Code of Conduct training for all Councillors is mandatory. The session, directed by Sarah Mason is to be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October at the Parish Offices commencing at 7pm.

**Min 92/23 Emergency Items**

Cllr L Allen informed Council that the public footpath from the entrance to Heltor connecting to the Sustrans Trail at Trethowel had recently been cut, however, all vegetation excess was just left and not picked up.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked Councillors for their attendance.

Meeting declared closed at 9:53pm

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