



Minutes – Full Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12th August 2019 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB

Present: Cllrs Arthur (Chair), Boston, Bowers, Byfield, Gaisford, Hill, Higgins, Lawrence, Norrington, Rogers, Trevethan and White

In attendance: Tatiana Cant (Parish Clerk) and 5 members of the public

Public Participation – No issues raised

Comments from Cornwall Councillors – There were no Cornwall Councillors present.

Presentation from Community Navigator

Nikki Kelly, newly appointed Community Navigator explained that she had been in post for 9 weeks and covered the area of Perranporth and Goonhavern, St Agnes and Chacewater. The £500 Parish Council contribution towards her role helped to release funding of £20,000. She described her role and recent activities. She forms the link between the GP practice and the local community and offers a support and signposting service. Anyone can refer an individual to her. She had been providing Cllr White and the Clerk with monthly updates and was gathering evidence for a 6 monthly review to Kernow Health. She had met GPs to help develop pathways and provide support as well as working on hospice care and bereavement services. Nikki had been promoting wellbeing messages via health clinics and the Patient Participation Group and hoped to reach further groups including sports and youth clubs. She was preparing the wellbeing campaign for next year and finding ways to engage with isolated individuals, community groups and schools. She had met Sarah Newton who was a strong supporter of the work. A business workshop in the autumn would take place in the Parish Council offices. She had arranged meetings with the RNIB, Perran Bay and other care homes and intended to link in with the skate park project.

167/19/FC Apologies

Apologies had been received and were accepted from Cllr Crewes who was unwell and Cllrs Davies and Yeo who had personal commitments.

168/19/FC Declarations of interest and dispensations granted

There were no declarations of interest and no dispensations had been granted.

169/19/FC Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that a recent meeting with Sarah Newton MP had been very useful and productive. She had taken the time to join the Chairman, Cllr Byfield and the Clerk for a walkabout around Perranporth and had been very interested in plans for the library, civic building and skate park and had also expressed an interest and offered suggestions on the subjects of parking and helping to support the local economy and businesses. Sarah would be returning to attend the relaunch of the library event in September.

Thoughts were with Cllr Mike Crewes who was now in the hospice at Mt Edgcombe and his family and friends. He was currently in a stable condition and in good spirits.

170/19/FC Approval of minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: Mon 8th July 2019

The minutes of the last Full Council meeting on Monday 8th July were agreed.

171/19/FC Action List

Members noted updates to the Action List. There were no outstanding items.

172/19/FC Minutes of the last Finance & Operations Committee meeting

Members noted the minutes of the last Finance & Operations Committee meeting held on Monday 1st July 2019 which had been approved by Committee members.

The Committee Chairman noted that the new pay-by-phone parking arrangements at Ponsmere Valley were working very well.

173/19/FC Minutes of the last Planning Committee meeting

Members noted the minutes of the last Planning Committee meeting held on Mon 15th July 2019 which had been approved by Committee members.

174/19/FC Updates from Committee meetings held since last meeting and approval of recommendations

- i. **Public Spaces Committee Meeting – 15th July.** The Committee Chairman summarised the main discussion points including the approval of beach events, discussion of remedial work for the Inner Green, plans to explore options for reinstating the Tamblyn Way steps, works to noticeboards and concerns relating to illegal encampments.
- ii. **Services Committee Meeting – 22nd July.** The Committee Chairman summarised the main discussion points including updates received on footpath maintenance, plans to employ a street cleaner directly and purchase a suitable vehicle and concerns regarding weed clearing. Cllr Lawrence reported that the Cornwall Council Enforcement Officer had been on leave and therefore the level of response to incidents had not been as rapid as usual, and that cutbacks to hedges would not be possible until after the bird nesting season at the end of September.
- iii. **Finance & Operations Committee Meeting – 5th August.** The Committee Chairman summarised the meeting discussion including the consideration of options for taking over street cleaning operations from Willshir. It had been agreed that the Best Value option would be to purchase the vehicle upfront, and accordingly the Committee Chairman proposed the approval of the purchase of a replacement pickup vehicle at £23,495 + VAT for the new street cleaning arrangement. The recommendation to purchase the vehicle as described was unanimously APPROVED.

175/19/FC Reports from members attending meetings of outside bodies

- i. **Alternatives to Pesticides Demonstration Event.** Cllr Lawrence reported that she had attended an event with the Clerk to learn about alternatives to glyphosate use for tackling weed control. The most suitable method for this parish appeared to be a mechanical steel brush machine which could be operated by the newly appointed street cleaner.
- ii. **St Piran's Trust.** Cllr White reported that she had invited the Chairman, Dick Cole to attend the next Full Council meeting to explain the work underway and future plans for the Oratory.
- iii. **Gardens Charity.** Cllr Byfield reported that he had attended a recent meeting with the Gardens Charity and asked if there might be any support from the group to help the Parish Council model the Inner Green and make improvements to this area. No decision had been reached at this time but further discussions may be productive if the Council were to demonstrate that they would wish to support the activities of the Charity and therefore establish a mutually beneficial arrangement.
- iv. **Heritage on the Beach.** Cllr Higgins reported that the third *Time & Tide* event which had been held recently had been very successful. Several talks relating to current and historic activities on different parts of the beach had been well attended and received. This event had demonstrated good collaborative working between the Parish Council, Museum and Exeter University.

176/19/FC Training for tackling littering, fly tipping and dog fouling

The Clerk reported on a recent training event she had attended relating to a non-confrontational approach to reporting incidences of littering, fly tipping and dog fouling. Council officers and members could report such occurrences using

Incident Report Cards which were then submitted to Cornwall Council for monitoring and for action where possible. This system did not allow for directly issuing penalty notices but would enable Cornwall Council officers to follow up if sufficient information had been captured to identify individuals and failing this, would help to create a picture of hot spots in the county. Incident Report Cards were available for any members who wished to carry them. Members welcomed this progress but were not sure if this would be a particularly effective mechanism for dealing with these environmental issues.

177/19/FC Report from Civic Building Working Group

Cllr Byfield reported that regular meetings with architects PBWC had taken place and a number of surveys commissioned. The bat and bird assessment had been completed and there was no evidence of such wildlife using this site. The topographical survey was underway and the group was in the process of appointing a cost consultant. Guidance information on demolition had been received and this process would be actioned soon. A submission had been made for pre-application planning advice and a case officer had now been appointed. A community engagement event would be held on Saturday 7th September alongside the library relaunch to explain the long-term vision of the project. It was expected that an application would be submitted seeking full planning permission in October with a decision to be made by December.

178/19/FC Report from Bolenna Park Action Group

Cllr Boston reported that an application had been submitted for planning permission for the new equipment at Bolenna. Schoolscapes would be able to start in early October and the building work would take 6 weeks. Preparations were in place for clearing the area at no cost although it might be necessary to hire a skip to remove existing matting if this cannot be reused. Consultations had taken place with children at Perranporth School. It was agreed that a wider public consultation meeting to discuss the use of this public space would be beneficial in due course.

179/19/FC Update on Skate Park Project

Cllr Byfield described the latest developments relating to the Skate Park Project. A considerable amount of engagement had taken place with the Skate Collective over several meetings. There had also been a great deal of dialogue with Maverick to optimise the space available. Cllr Byfield provided a presentation on the latest design which illustrated a bowl and streetscape facility catering for different ages and abilities. There had been many discussions of different options and the scheme presented represented the option favoured by the skaters. The cost would be similar to that originally expected. Additional work has been undertaken at the goodwill of Maverick. Features would include soft netting for the end of the football field and acoustic fencing. The plan had been designed to mitigate impact on nearby housing and Maverick were very experienced in establishing installations near residential areas. The best time for local residents to raise any concerns would be during the planning application process. Cllr Byfield answered a number of questions and reported a letter received from the Skate Collective expressing their support for the design. Some surveys still needed to be completed and it was then hoped to progress this project as quickly as possible.

180/19/FC Report from Emergency Plan Working Group

It was reported that further work had been undertaken by the Emergency Plan Working Group who had identified the Memorial Hall, Primary School and Golf Club as Evacuation Centres. A productive meeting of the Flood Group had taken place and the group was in the process of identifying a leader amongst the businesses to represent this section of the community. A number of suggestions were offered by members and the group would choose one to approach. Agreement had been secured from the Environment Agency to cover the costs of producing and distributing a leaflet to the highest-at-risk residential properties. Leaflets would be hand delivered to businesses by councillors.

181/19/FC Flooding in Station Road

Cllr Rogers described the severe flooding problems in Station Road and it was agreed that the difficulties resulted from lack of maintenance. The issue would be raised with Cormac.

ACTION: Raise concerns of flooding in Station Road with Cormac - *Clerk*

182/19/FC Meeting at CCTV Monitoring Suite at Fire Service Headquarters

Cllr Gaisford reported that there was an opportunity to visit a CCTV facility operated by the Fire Service which currently had capacity which the Parish Council could utilise. An appointment had been made for a meeting on 22nd August. It was agreed that Cllrs Bowers, Gaisford, Norrington and Trevethan would attend with the Clerk and report back to the Finance & Operations Committee.

183/19/FC BT Payphone kiosk removal consultation

The Parish Council had been consulted regarding the potential removal of a BT payphone kiosk in Goonhavern which was not of the traditional red style. It was AGREED that members wished to retain the kiosk.

ACTION: Inform BT that the Parish Council wished to retain the Goonhavern payphone kiosk

184/19/FC Items of Correspondence

There were no relevant items of correspondence.

185/19/FC Date of the Next Meeting

Members noted that the next meeting would take place on Monday 9th September 2019.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.05 hours