

# Minutes - Full Council

# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB at 7pm on 7th March 2022

**Present**: Cllrs Boston, Bowers, Byfield, Gaisford, Higgins, Rogers, Silvey, Trevethan, White (Chair), Wyn Jones and Yeo

**In attendance**: Laura Wright (Admin Officer, Clerking the meeting).

The Chair led members in a short silence to reflect on the current situation in Ukraine and the suffering of its people.

# **Public Participation**

There were 7 members of the public present.

## 051/22/FC Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Pentecost due to a previous commitment, Cllr Arthur due to illness and Cllr Lawrence due to a previous commitment and the reason was accepted by members.

#### 052/22/FC Declarations of Interest and Dispensations Granted

There were no declarations of interest and no dispensations granted.

# 053/22/FC Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on the 31st of January 2022 were AGREED as a true and accurate record.

#### 054/22/FC Cornwall Councilors' Report

There was no report from Cornwall Councilors.

#### 055/22/FC Bike Hire Building at the Rugby Club

Cllr Byfield informed members of the request by Perranporth Rugby Club for a bike hire building to be erected on the grounds of their car park, land which is leased by them from the Parish Council. The arrangement proposed by the rugby club was to vary the existing lease to allow sub-letting, thereby allowing the rugby club (as the Parish Council's tenant) to grant a sub-lease of the area to a third party operator for a commercial fee. Members agreed that the proposed facility would offer an attractive amenity to the local community and visitors, and supported the proposal in principle, however several concerns were raised about the commercial, community, and legal implications of permitting a sub-lease between a sports club and a third party over recreational land. Cllr Byfield proposed that the Parish Council instead look to reach an agreement directly with the provider, in liaison with the rugby club, with a view to granting a temporary license for the forthcoming summer season. Finalised plans would be brought to the next Full Council meeting for approval. Members AGREED to the proposal.

Action – Liaise directly with the provider of the bike hire building and develop a license agreement. – Cllrs Byfield and Bowers along with The Finance Officer and Property Manager.

## 056/22/FC Surf School Licensing Document and Fee

Cllr Gaisford spoke to members regarding the proposals and documents previous circulated. Subject to some minor amendments, members AGRRED to adopt the Surf School Licensing policy document and application form. Members AGREED to set the license fee at £87 per board.

# 057/22/FC Additional RNLI Lifeguard Cover 2022

Members AGREED to fund the additional RNLI lifeguard cover for the 2022 bathing season on Perranporth Beach.

# 058/22/FC Security of Football and Rugby Pitches from Travellers

Cllr Bowers updated members of the various works that have taken place in order to protect community open spaces from travellers. An area still needing attention is the access area to the football and rugby pitches. Plans are underway to construct a gate across this area and any further updates would be brought to the next Full Council meeting.

**059/22/FC** Increase Cost for Refurbishment of Lane leading to Bolenna Park Members voted to not approve the increased contribution to the refurbishment of the lane leading to Bolenna Park.

ACTION – further liaison with the Tennis Club and local residents - Cllr Lawrence

# 060/22/FC Street Marshalls Update

Members received an update on plans to reinstate the Street Marshalls patrols of the local community. Cllr Bowers proposed that in principle, the Council agree to employing Kestrel Guards, to provide two Street Marshalls per shift, for a 25-week period beginning on the 16<sup>th of</sup> April 2022. He also proposed that the hours be increased to match the opening hours of local pubs and restaurants. Members AGREED to the proposal in principle but would await the final decision on receiving the full proposal with revised budget.

#### 061/22/FC Repairs to Droskyn Carpark

Members received an update from Cllr Bowers regarding the repairs to Droskyn Carpark. Bollards are being made locally and would be sent off for galvanising. The works to improve areas of the ground surface would take place this week ready for the 2022 season.

#### 062/22/FC Bands in the Sands Events 2022

Following on from the last Full Council meeting, Cllr Byfield had met with The Watering Hole to relay the Council's decisions, including the conditions set by the Council. The Watering Hole have finalized the dates and have asked for the Council to approve 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of May. Members AGREED to the dates and AGREED a to a bond of £5,000 for the weekend events. A formal written agreement would be drawn up with the Property Manager and Finance Officer.

# 063/22/FC Community Garden at Cligga

Cllr Silvey informed members that he would like the Parish Council to consider using Parish Council owned land at Cligga to create a community garden. The land is currently not being used. Whilst in support of the idea, several members raised concerns about the need for a contaminated land survey report and an ecological report. Cllr Byfield proposed that Cllr Silvey continue his

investigations of the area and bring a full proposal, with an estimated budget to the next Full Council meeting. Members AGREED to the proposal.

# 064/22/FC Saints Trail Update

Cllr Gaisford informed members that a recent online petition in support of the Saints Trail had received over 1,500 signatures. Cllr Yeo also gave an update and informed members of the plans to set up a focus group of interested parties, to include members of local Parish Councils in the area. Cllr Gaisford requested that the Parish Council formally write a letter of support for the continuity of the Saints Trail. Members AGREED.

Action – Write a letter of support for the continuity of the Saints Trail to be sent to Nick Revell (petition organizer), Cherilyn Mackrory MP and Philip Desmonde- Cornwall Council Transport Portfolio holder - Office Staff and Cllr Gaisford

# 065/22/FC Perranporth RFC Carpark Arrangements

Members AGREED to keep the same arrangements as last year, for the forthcoming season in terms of how the RFC would run the carpark and the contribution to the Parish Council.

# 066/22/FC Reports/Updates Working Groups:

**Allotments** – Cllr Rogers shared the ecological report on the proposed site as previously requested. It is clear from this report that the site is no longer viable to pursue as suitable ground for an allotment site. It was therefore with regret, that Cllr Rogers proposed that plans for this site be dropped and further investigations for a suitable site continue. Members AGREED to the proposal.

**NDP** – Cllr Rogers informed members that the Neighborhood Development Plan document is now with Cornwall Council who are offering feedback. There is soon to be a steering group meeting that Members are welcome to attend. Cllr Rogers informed members that the next steps are for formal notice to Public to be issued and public exhibitions. Plans for this are well underway.

Tamblyn Way Steps Proposal – The Parish Council congratulated Cllr Rogers for the tremendous amount of work that he has put into the project. There was also an acknowledgment to the work and time that many people have given such as architectural firms and members of the working group. After carefully considering Cllr Rogers proposal, the majority of members raised concerns about the costs of the project, despite the hope that the bulk of the cost could be found through grant and other fundraising methods. It was also clear from the extensive work carried out by several architectural companies, that the only solution for safe access to the beach from Droskyn, would need to be a major engineering activity, and would be intrusive to the natural landscape of the cliff edge on this world heritage site. Members voted against supporting the project at this stage. Cllr Rogers also requested that the scheme should be advanced to Stage 1 (Expression of Interest) for the Heritage Lottery consideration, which would determine whether such a scheme could in fact be worthy of major funding. He would wish to use a consultant to assist in the production of the application and requested that £7,500 from earmarked funds be used for this. The proposal was rejected.

**Queens Jubilee Celebration** –Cllr Boston shared the design for the commemorative mugs shared and updated members on the plans for the Queens Jubilee Celebrations.

**Skate Park** –The working group are hopeful that the outstanding matters should be resolved but are now awaiting a formal response following the environmental impact report.

**8 Boscawen Rd** – Cllr Byfield informed members that a meeting was scheduled with the planning office and architect. He would report back to the next Full Council meeting.

#### **Outside Bodies:**

**Memorial Hall** – Cllr Wyn Jones reports that bookings are now back to pre-covid levels. The Memorial Hall group are looking to refurbish sections of the building and are currently awaiting a grant decision. This year also sees the Memorial Hall celebrating 70 years of existence and plans are being formed to commemorate this.

**CCTV** – A recent image had been released regarding burglaries within the Parish. Many Parishioners had commented on social media that the image was very poor. Cllr Bowers reports that at this stage, it unknown if the image has come from a Parish Council owned camera. Cllr Bowers also reports that the images from these camaras should be of a much better quality, and he will continue to make some investigations into this and would report back to the next Full Council meeting.

#### 067/22/FC Exclude Press and Public

Members AGREED to exclude the press and public, in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business.

[6 members of the public left the meeting]

#### 068/22/FC Extension of Meeting

Members AGREED to extend the meeting beyond 2 hours.

# 069/22/FC Gramelan Rent Arrangements 2021

In view of the considerable impact to trading from national restrictions and lockdowns in 2021, members AGREED to a one-off rent concession to be credited to the Gramelan business account.

#### 070/22/FC Correspondence from Clerk

Two items of correspondence were shared ahead of the meeting. A letter had been received from a concerned resident regarding the noise impact from motor racing at Perranporth Airfield. Members acknowledged the concern and were sympathetic to the issue. The resident would be advised to contact St Agnes Parish Council as the Airfield sits with the Parish of St Agnes. The concern and complaint would also need to be handled by Cornwall Council.

A second letter had been received regarding concerns of the condition of Budnic road leading to the campsite as well as concerns about the increased traffic that the campsite creates. The resident would be advised to contact Cornwall Council on the matter as this fall under their jurisdiction.

A further item of correspondence was shared informing members of a legal claim against the Parish Council for an injury sustained in the Parish in 2019.

	Date of Next Meeting the date of the next meeting: 28th March 2022	
There being no	further Business the Chairman closed the meeting at 2	1.18pm
Signed		Date: 28th March 2022