



Minutes – Full Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB at 7pm on 9th May 2022

Present: Cllrs Arthur (Chair), Boston, Bowers, Byfield, Gaisford, Higgins, Lawrence, Pentecost, Reynolds, Silvey, Trevethan, White and Wyn Jones

In attendance: Tatiana Cant (Clerk) Rebecca Harrod (Finance Officer), Laura Wright (Admin Officer) and one member of the public.

095/22/FC Election of Chairman

Cllr Arthur was elected unopposed to the position of Chairman.

096/22/FC Election of Vice Chairman

Two nominations were received. Cllr Gaisford was duly elected to the position of Vice Chairman.

Public Participation

A member of the Perran Skate Collective thanked the Council for its perseverance and hard work relating to the Skate Park planning application which had been approved earlier that day. Cllr Byfield thanked the Skate Collective and colleagues for their support throughout the process.

097/22/FC Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Yeo due to a previous commitment and Cllr Rogers due to a family commitment and the reasons were accepted by members.

098/22/FC Declarations of Interest and Dispensations Granted

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

099/22/FC Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 19th April were AGREED as a true and accurate record.

100/22/FC Report from Cornwall Councillors

Cllr Arthur referred to the CC Committee decision earlier in the day to approve the planning application for the Skate Park.

101/22/FC Committee Membership and Arrangements

The Chairman informed members that the Staffing Committee wished the current membership to remain in place for a short while due to an ongoing issue which members were working to resolve. Members wished to receive general information on the progress of the staff. It was agreed that a standing item would be added to the Full Council agenda to provide the opportunity for the Staffing Committee to share any relevant information which was not of a sensitive nature.

[Cllr Wyn Jones left the meeting]

Members discussed membership of committees and agreed some changes. It was agreed that the committee meetings should start again as soon as possible. The Clerk proposed that this could be initiated from June subject to her conversations with the Staffing Committee. A new meeting schedule would be created and published to allow for monthly meetings but if there were insufficient agenda items at any stage to warrant holding a meeting, these could be cancelled.

102/22/FC Update on Skate Park

Cllr Byfield reported that he had attended the CC Committee meeting earlier that day and he and Cllr Arthur had spoken and responded to questions, and had secured the vote in favour of approval 9-1. This was the culmination of an excessively lengthy process and would be subject to conditions which were awaited. Paul Bateman had been assisting the council with planning advice and had offered to help negotiate and satisfy the conditions His help had been invaluable and it was agreed for the Clerk to arrange a small gift to show the council's appreciation. A construction schedule would then be drawn up. The experience had been informative and members of the team had gained useful knowledge for example in relation to permitted development rights of local authorities.

103/22/FC Sea Wall Beside Seiners Arms

Members noted that the eroding sea wall remained unresolved. A response was awaited to confirm ownership. The Clerk would follow this up.

104/22/FC Response to Consultation on Neighbourhood Development Plan

The Council had received a request to respond as a statutory consultee regarding the proposed designation of local green spaces in the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Members were content with all sites proposed with the exception of Area 20 – Ponsmere Valley Play Area. The intention of the council was to move the play equipment currently at this site to sit near the new skate park and provide a family setting. The current site would then lose its purpose and the council might wish to utilise the area as part of future development of the parish council offices for community use. Any designation could therefore restrict future plans. The council AGREED to request that Area 20 be removed from the schedule.

105/22/FC Replacement Benches for Ponsmere Valley

Cllr Boston requested clarification on whether the benches which had been in poor repair and had been removed from the sports pitch area were to be replaced. It was agreed in principle that 3 benches would be sited there but that the exact location would be determined at a future date.

106/22/FC Request for Support for S.106 Funding Application

Cllr Arthur declared an interest in the item and did not take part in the vote.

A request had been submitted to Cornwall Council by the Perranporth Rugby Club for £4,257 to fund the Perranporth Rugby Pitch Improvement Programme. While members wished to support applications from the Rugby Club to enhance their provision in terms of capital investment, it was considered important to allocate S.106 funds carefully as the funding could only be accessed once. It was felt that maintenance of the main pitch would need to take place annually and should be built into the Club's maintenance schedule and budget. The Council would welcome an amended proposal detailing more ambitious expenditure plans. The Council therefore AGREED not to support the request in its current form.

107/22/FC Budget for Plant Purchase

Cllr Silvey reported that he had found a hardy species which should grow well in the triangle near the foot bridge onto the beach by the Inner Green. He would arrange soil, plants and gravel and coordinate planting with the office. Members AGREED to adopt a budget of £350.

108/22/FC Reports/Updates

Working Groups:

NDP – The Neighborhood Development Plan was now at the formal consultation stage due to finish in mid-June before proceeding the Examination stage. 92 people had attended the exhibitions.

Inner Green – The grass seed had taken well. A date would be confirmed regarding allowing the space to be used again by the public.

The Queens Jubilee - The Queens Jubilee Celebration working group reported that plans were progressing well and that many events would be taking place including lighting a beacon and picnics in Perranporth, Goonhavern and Rose.

8 Boscawen Road – A written report from the architect would be provided by the next meeting.

Bolenna Group – The working party reported that there were increasing concerns regarding the building in the park which was dangerous and children may be hurt. The group proposed demolition of the building and replacement with a building on the same footprint with a disabled toilet and store area. Members AGREED for the group to prepare documentation and to initiate the tender process.

Outside Bodies:

Garden Trustees – Cllr Byfield reported that he had attended a recent meeting and that the group was busy preparing for the summer season. They had been very helpful and cooperative when and the council had experienced difficulties regarding bins. There was currently a vacancy on the council.

109/22/FC Correspondence from Clerk

There was no correspondence requiring attention.

110/22/FC Exclusion of 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.

111/22/FC Property Management of the Watering Hole

Cllrs Byfield and Bowers had met recently with Property Manager, Simon Downing to discuss concerns regarding the encroachment of some Watering Hole activities onto the beach. The Parish Council had a duty of care to take a proactive approach to the management of its community public assets for the benefit of all beach users. Proposals to address each of the infringements were discussed and it was AGREED with one abstention to instruct the Property Manager to make these requirements of the Watering Hole within a clear timescale. It was noted that it was important for all members of the council to express appropriate support for such decisions.

112/22/FC Date of Next Meeting

Members noted the date of the next meeting: **Monday 6th June 2022 (subsequently amended to 13th June)**

There being no further Business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.50.

Signed

Date: 13th June 2022