



## Minutes – Public Spaces Committee

### Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at the Parish Council Offices, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB

**Present:** Cllrs Arthur, Boston, Byfield, Gaisford, Higgins, Reynolds and Rogers

**In attendance:** Tatiana Cant (Parish Clerk), Cllr Lawrence

#### **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present.

#### **001/22/PS Election of Chairman**

Cllr Gaisford was proposed and seconded. He accepted the nomination and was duly elected. The Chairman took the Chair.

#### **002/22/PS Election of Vice Chairman**

Cllr Byfield was proposed and seconded. He accepted the nomination and was duly elected.

#### **003/22/PS Apologies**

There were no apologies.

#### **004/22/PS Declarations of interest and dispensations granted**

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

#### **005/22/PS Report on cliff mine shafts**

Cllr Gaisford reported that he had attended a meeting with Luke Humphries from the Duchy and Cllr Lawrence the previous week and had requested a contribution from the Duchy of £5,000. A decision was awaited. This was followed by a tour of the five main shafts mentioned in the report produced by Cornwall Consultants to provide the opportunity to demonstrate the protection measures in place. An additional blue information/warning sign was recommended to be installed at the Shag Rock area at Droskyn. Installation was underway on the agreed barrier to help prevent access to the Stockworks.

#### **006/22/PS Purchase of new benches for Ponsmere Valley**

Members unanimously agreed the purchase of two new benches to be sited in Ponsmere Valley.

#### **007/22/PS Goonhavern Park play equipment**

A proposal had been made by the Admin Officer for improvements to some of the older play equipment at Goonhavern Park as these items were looking tired although they were not unsafe. It was agreed that Cllr Byfield would assess the equipment and report back to committee members with his recommendation. Members felt that funds may be better spent on purchasing additional items including potentially some disability equipment. Works on the pump track had started.

#### **008/22/PS Protocol for Filming/Commercial Activity in the Parish**

A policy to define commercial activity permitted on the beach had been drafted to address the numerous and wide ranging requests which were increasingly being received by the office. This would be finalised for member approval at the following meeting and a fee structure proposed.

**Action:** Draft policy document outlining different categories/types of events and associated protocols - *Parish Clerk*

**009/22/PS RNLI signage wording**

Members considered proofs for replacement RNLI signs and agreed that the icon and wording relating to the prohibition of sand yachting be replaced with ‘no foil boards.’

**010/22/PS Damage to wall at Seiners Arms**

Cllr Gaisford had sought advice from a party surveyor as the ownership of the wall suffering coastal erosion remained under dispute. Advice received was to contact Cornwall Council Highways, Building Control and Shoreline Management departments as well as the parish council’s insurers and solicitors and to advise the owner of the Seiners to notify their insurers.

It was also noted that the sand had moved across the beach from the walkway beneath the Summerhouse leaving the bottom of the structure exposed. Information would be sought of engineering works carried out to this last time. Also that the gabions at the bottom of the Summerhouse were in serious disrepair and potentially dangerous. The Clerk would inform Acorn Blue to request that they take remedial action.

**011/22/PS Erection of fencing at Football Club**

The Football Club had secured S.106 funding for new fencing and now sought permission to erect this. Members AGREED unanimously to allow this to take place.

**012/22/PS Membership of working groups**

Membership of working groups was AGREED:

- a. Skate Park: Cllrs Arthur, Byfield and Gaisford and Jamie Turnbull
- b. Bolenna Park: Cllrs Boston and Lawrence, Karen Colam, Phil Evans, Spike Gaisford and Christine Grantham
- c. Goonhavern Pump Track: Cllr Arthur and Laura Wright
- d. Inner Green: Cllrs Gaisford and Rogers

**013/22/PS Update from Working Groups**

Members received an update from the following working groups:

- a. **Skate Park** – Cllr Byfield reported that the Decision Notice had still not been issued but that this would follow once the conditions had been negotiated and finalised. The Clerk reported that she had responded to an FOI request received from a local resident which mainly requested information on operational details regarding the CCTV system and street marshals.
- b. **Bolenna Park** – Cllr Boston informed members that improved toilet facilities were required due to the increased footfall in the park. A site meeting had taken place and the intention was to produce a simple structure on the current footprint ensuring that there was power and plumbing. The next stage was to arrange for a design to be drawn up.
- c. **Goonhavern Pump Track** – Members were informed that installation was underway and should be finished within approximately one month.
- d. **Inner Green** – An irrigation system had been installed using perforated piping with water fed from Perran Bay and a local resident’s supply. The Parish Council would reimburse the cost of the water. The grass already looked considerably better and it was hoped that it would be possible to open at least some of the area by the end of July. Options were discussed for materials for picnic bench bases and this would be finalised at the next meeting.

**014/22/PS Items of Correspondence**

The Clerk shared a request from someone wishing to operate a carousel with rides for children on the Inner Green. Members refused permission in line with the policy of no commercial activities in this area and did not wish any events to take place on the Inner Green before Easter 2023.

**015/22/PS Date of Next Meeting:**

Members noted the date of the next meeting: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Signed .....

Date: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022