



Minutes – Public Spaces Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on Monday 18th July 2022 at the Parish Council Offices, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB

Present: Cllrs Gaisford (Chair), Arthur, Boston, Higgins, Reynolds and Rogers

In attendance: Tatiana Cant (Parish Clerk)

Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

A presentation was received from Jo Murray who was launching the My Coast app at the end of the month to provide comprehensive information for visitors on facilities near beaches including RNLI information on water and tide conditions. Perranporth had been selected as one of three trial locations. This would be expanded in time to include all 58 lifeguarded beaches in Cornwall. Members expressed their support for the venture and agreed for the parish council logo to be used on publicity.

016/22/PS Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Byfield who had a personal commitment.

017/22/PS Declarations of interest and dispensations granted

Cllr Gaisford declared an interest on the item relating to approval of the Perranathlon/Aquathon events as his wife had submitted the application. No dispensations had been granted.

018/22/PS Minutes of the Last Meeting

Members approved the minutes of the last meeting on 20th June as a true and accurate record.

019/22/PS Costings for Stockworks Mitigation Works

A barrier had been installed to help prevent access to the Stockworks as agreed. Members noted that the final costs were £250 higher than the original estimate.

020/22/PS Clwyd Cone

Members noted that the Duchy had agreed to pay 75% of the costs of the Clwyd Cone and accordingly an invoice would be raised for 5055 plus vat.

021/22/PS Update on Alcatraz Building Works

Members noted that the building works to the Alcatraz property were almost complete but expressed dissatisfaction regarding the unauthorised movement of vehicles on the beach and lack of communication with the council beforehand. They had however responded cooperatively once the council contacted them and did supply the paperwork requested. It was agreed that in future all information must be provided in advance, ie method statement, details of contractors, risk assessment and timescales before any such works take place.

Action: Inform Watering Hole and Alcatraz of the need to communicate with the council and provide appropriate documentation before proceeding with any future works on the beach - Clerk

022/22/PS Update on Undercut to Beach Walkway

Cllr Higgins reported that she had spoken to Alan Radcliffe who had reported that all documentation relating to the engineering works previously carried out had been lodged with the office. He also confirmed that the foundations were very solid and able to withstand the elements and sand movement and did not feel there was currently cause for concern. The Clerk also informed members that the damaged gabions at the bottom of the Summerhouse steps had been reported to Acorn Blue and this had been handed to the management committee to address.

023/22/PS Plastic Grids for Inner Green

Members noted that recyclable material had been ordered made from recycled plastic to install beneath the picnic benches at the Inner Green to limit damage to the surface. This would be installed soon in readiness for opening up the Inner Green.

024/22/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. Several amendments were agreed and it was unanimously AGREED by members.

025/22/PS Damage to wall at Seiners Arms

No further information had been received relating to the wall at the Seiners Arms which was suffering from coastal erosion. Building Control had assessed the wall and had telephoned to report concerns which were to be sent to the Clerk by email.

026/22/PS Signage for Inner Green

Members AGREED 5 signs be purchased for entrances to the Inner Green. Wording to read: 'Please keep dogs on leads.'

027/22/PS Trail Running Event

Members AGREED the Trail Running event (25th August) and stipulated the number of entrants must be capped at 100.

028/22/PS Perranathlon & Aquathon Events

Members approved the Perranathlon & Aquathon events scheduled for 3rd September. This would replace the normal Triathlon event as the cycle route was currently unsafe due to the A30 roadworks.

029/22/PS 360 Beach Mission Events

Members approved the 360 Beach Mission events scheduled for 31st July - 12th August and noted that the Inner Green might not be ready to be opened as the usual location. If this were the case, members agreed to offer the area behind the tennis courts in Bolenna Park as an alternative site.

030/22/PS Public Spaces for Regular Reporting

It was agreed to allocate members to specific public areas for committee reporting:

- Perran Round – Cllr Boston
- Inner Green – Cllr Rogers
- Droskyn – Cllr Boston
- Goonhavern Park – Cllr Arthur
- Bolenna – Cllr Higgins
- Cligga – Cllr Reynolds
- Ponsmere Valley – office staff

031/22/PS Update from Working Groups

Members received an update from the following working groups:

- a. **Skate Park** – The Decision Notice was due to be issued later that week.
- b. **Bolenna Park** – Cllr Boston informed members that plans were progressing for redevelopment of the building in the park and tender documents to be drawn up and progressed. There had been extensive damage to the football pitch area which had been heavily used and the grass was completely worn away. It was agreed that the pitch should be moved in September and the damaged area repaired. Four additional sleeves to be purchased for the goal posts.
- c. **Goonhavern Pump Track** – Members were informed that installation was still underway and had been delayed slightly due to the shortage of concrete. The structure should be complete soon.
- d. **Inner Green** – The irrigation system was working well and there was regular monitoring. It was hoped that it would be possible to open up the space as soon as possible.

032/22/PS Items of Correspondence

The Clerk informed members that Perranporth Beach had been awarded a 4.5 out of 5 star rating by Trip Advisor and received a poster which would be displayed in the office, on the Beach Officers' beach hut and possibly some noticeboards.

033/22/PS Date of Next Meeting:

Members noted the date of the next meeting: Monday 15th August

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

Signed

Date: Monday 15th August 2022