



Minutes – Full Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB at 7pm on 23rd January 2023

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

In attendance: Tatiana Cant (Clerk), Rebecca Harrod (Finance Officer), Cornwall Cllr Harvey and 17 members of the public

Public Participation

Several residents from Rose spoke in support of the current trial whereby street lights had been switched off for a 3 month period and many were enjoying the dark skies. Several other residents expressed their concerns regarding safety and wished for them to be switched back on or for them to operate on a timer. The Chairman noted the comments and confirmed that the trial would continue unless 6 councillors requested that the matter be discussed again. A survey would be delivered towards the end of the trial period to determine how residents felt at that time.

001/23/FC Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Pentecost who had a personal commitment and Cllrs Lawrence and Trevethan who were unwell, and the reasons were accepted by members.

002/23/FC Declarations of Interest and Dispensations Granted

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

003/23/FC Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 19th December 2022 were AGREED as a true and accurate record.

004/23/FC Reports from Cornwall Councillors

Cornwall Cllr Harvey reported that he would represent Cubert Parish Council in relation to Cornwall Council decision making regarding current Penhale planning applications. Cllrs Yeo and/or White would represent Perranzabuloe. Cornwall Councillors had not received any detailed information relating to plans for the new school.

005/23/FC Council Budget 2023

Members AGREED the 2023 budget: £577,976.38 and AGREED to request a precept of £306,223.18 from Cornwall Council. This represented an increase of the previous year of 0%.

006/23/FC Management Accounts December 2022

Members noted the management accounts for December 2022 and requested some points of clarification which were explained by the Finance Officer and related to journaling housekeeping practices.

It was agreed that increased levels of funds from the current account should be transferred to the new savings accounts and the details would be determined at the next Finance & Operations meeting.

007/23/FC Car Parking Enforcement

It was AGREED to chase the Cornwall Council portfolio holder to arrange to discuss options for improving the parking enforcement arrangements for the forthcoming season. The matter would be discussed at the following meeting.

008/23/FC Update on 8 Boscawen Road

Cllr Gaisford reported on a virtual meeting held the previous week with James Glover who was administering the Shared Prosperity Fund at Cornwall Council and the project's architect, Chris Turner. The deadline for admissions had been extended to 3rd April and this provided a good opportunity to access funding. It was clear that the project was well developed and in a good position in relation to others in the pipeline. The Parish Council did not have sufficient resources to complete the lengthy and complex application form and it was therefore AGREED to commission Len Smith, an experienced grant writer, to complete the application and for the parish council to proceed with the process to develop the site at 8 Boscawen Road.

009/23/FC Reports from Committees

Finance & Operations Committee

There had been no Finance & Operations committee meetings within the previous month.

Public Spaces Committee

Cllr Gaisford reported on discussions and matters agreed at the recent committee meeting.

It was AGREED to appoint Beach Officers for 2023 on the same basis as previous years. A lone working phone app would be assessed with the intention of providing a logging facility for beach officers.

It was AGREED to approve costs for essential tree works at Goonhavern Park: £800.

Services Committee

In the absence of the committee chair and vice-chair, the Clerk reported that the committee wished to progress the project relating to toilets at Droskyn as soon as possible. A fully costed proposal with designs to be presented to the next meeting for approval.

Staffing Committee

Cllr Boston reported that the public opening hours in the office were now 10am-2pm for visitors and answering the phone. Members were asked to contact the office during these hours where possible. A Library Assistant had tendered her resignation and the position had been advertised with an application deadline of 30th January.

010/23/FC Reports/Updates

Working Groups:

Highways Group – No updates to report.

Ponsmere Valley Skate Park

The report from Bear Structures had been received and provided the framework within which the ground contamination issues and drainage could be addressed in order to discharge the planning conditions. This would be assessed and progressed as required.

Coronation Events

Members wished to support the nation's celebrations and make parish council land available for activities arranged by community groups. Bunting would be displayed as for the Jubilee and a Facebook post would encourage community groups to apply for small grants to run events.

Outside Bodies:

NDP

Cllr Rogers reported that the group had been advised by Cornwall Council to run a mini consultation focusing on 3 areas which required stronger evidence for inclusion in the plan. Once completed the draft document would be submitted to the Parish Council for approval and subsequently Cornwall Council for review before scrutiny by the Examiner and a referendum later in the year. The group had conducted meetings to discuss plans for the development of the school site and had already been successful with input provided by the group. There was a discussion relating to the extent to which the emerging NDP should be taken into account when the Parish Council's Planning Committee responded to planning applications.

[Cllr Silvey left the meeting.]

Community Network Panel

Cllr Yeo reported that the newly structured panel was likely to include Newquay but not St Columb. Members were informed that project monies for the Levelling Up Fund would be administered via the panel network and must be spent by 2025 and were asked to seriously consider potential projects to put forward. Members suggested that the rebuild of toilets at Droskyn would be a good candidate for these funds.

GEL Community Liaison Group

Cllr Gaisford reported that he had attended a meeting with a representative from the geothermal project with Cllr Arthur and the Clerk. The newly formed group would operate in a similar way to the one set up for the United Downs project and aimed to inform residents of operational plans and address any issues of concern. There would also be a panel established to administer the £40,000 fund for community benefit. Cornwall Cllr Harvey reported that he and Cllr Yeo had offered to sit on this panel.

[Cllr Yeo left the meeting.]

011/23/FC Correspondence from Clerk

Details relating to the licensing application for a festival event hosted by Hypnosis at the air field would be distributed.

012/23/FC Date of Next Meeting

Members noted the date of the next meeting: Monday 27th February 2023.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9pm.

Signed

Date: 27th February 2023