



Minutes – Full Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Council Chambers, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB at 7pm on 22nd May 2023

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

In attendance: Tatiana Cant (Clerk), 1 member of the public

60/23/FC Election of Chairman

Cllr Gaisford was proposed, seconded and duly elected as Chairman of the Council for the forthcoming year. Cllr Gaisford thanked Cllr Arthur for his service to the council for last few years particularly through the times of Covid.

61/23/FC Election of Vice-Chairman

Cllr Bowers was proposed, seconded and duly elected as Vice-Chairman of the Council for the forthcoming year.

62/23/FC Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Pentecost who had a work commitment and Cllr Reynolds who was unwell, and the reasons were accepted by members.

63/23/FC Presentation: new Perranporth School

Jenny Blunden provided members with an update on plans for the new secondary school in Perranporth. The application had been submitted in 2019 but stalled during Covid and costs had risen by 40%. A feasibility study had identified 17 potential sites and Liskey Hill had been chosen as the most suitable. Over 1,000 pupils would be accommodated. A second feasibility study had been carried out and sign-off was now required from the Secretary of State with a view to beginning works in 2024 and opening in 2026. Ms Blunden answered questions from members and confirmed that the intention was to work closely with the community and to provide at least one all-weather pitch for community use.

Public Participation

A parishioner raised concerns about pedestrian safety on Budnic Hill. Members responded to confirm that the council shared these concerns and that the matter was in the hands of Cornwall Council. The Parish Council would provide support where possible.

064/23/FC Declarations of Interest and Dispensations Granted

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

065/23/FC Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 24th April 2023 were AGREED as a true and accurate record.

066/23/FC Reports from Cornwall Councillors

There were no Cornwall Council reports.

067/23/FC Membership of Committees

Members discussed membership of committees and agreed some changes. It was also agreed to merge the Public Spaces Committee and the Services Committee.

068/23/FC Dates for Tunes in the Dunes event 2024

Members AGREED to approve dates for Tunes in the Dunes event: 17th-19th May 2024. It was noted that the approval applied to the dates of the event only and that approval of the arrangements for the event would need to be approved subject to receiving the event plan and associated documentation.

069/23/FC Report on Tunes in the Dunes event 2023

Cllr Bowers reported that the 2023 Tunes in the Dunes event had been well managed and the street marshals had worked extended hours. The biggest problem had been camping and related issues at Ponsmere Valley which had not been covered in the event plan. There had also been extensive plastic and disposable vape litter, and in future it was proposed that an arrangement be made with a local reusable product provider. Toilet provision had been better than in previous years but could still be improved.

070/23/FC Management Accounts for February and March 2023

Members noted the Accounts for February and March 2023. Cllr Byfield asked for budgeted income to be included.

071/23/FC Report from Internal Auditor

Members noted the report from the Internal Auditor and agreed to address the issues raised.

072/23/FC Goonhavern Park Management

Members AGREED to fund the day-to-day running costs of Goonhavern Park for the forthcoming year.

073/23/FC Mining Chimney Stack Inspection

Members noted the report relating to an inspection of the mining chimney at Ponsmere Valley and that remedial works were required. A quote had been received for professional fees to prepare and support the tender process. Members asked for this process to be carried out instead by council officers. The Clerk stated that she was not experienced in preparing tender documentation for such a specialised job.

074/23/FC Erosion of Sea Wall

The Chairman reported that he had met the insurance company's Loss Adjuster the previous week and accompanied her on a site visit. The report was awaited. The Gardens Charities had questioned the ownership of the nearby ramp adjoining the Promenade wall which was in need of repair. As works had been undertaken to the culvert and clack valve at this location, it was suggested that there should be documentation held by the Environment Agency / South West Water / Cornwall Council regarding permissions sought for the works. Enquiries would be made to try to ascertain ownership.

[Cllr Silvey left the meeting.]

075/23/FC Treatment of Japanese Knotweed

It was AGREED not to proceed with the previously proposed thermo-electric treatment, and to instruct TMS to carry out a suitable spraying regime.

076/23/FC Allotment Site Update

Cllr Rogers reported that he had undertaken a visit to a potential allotment site in Bolingey with Cllr Silvey and the Admin Officer and expressed concerns regarding the suitability of the site.

077/23/FC Reports/Updates**Outside Bodies:****Neighbourhood Development Plan**

Cllr Rogers reported that the final version of the draft NDP document would be presented to the council for sign-off at the following meeting.

Community Network Panel

Cllr Yeo reported that the inaugural meeting of the newly formed group would take place in July.

Memorial Hall

Cllr Wyn-Jones reported that Memorial Hall bookings were now back up to pre-Covid levels, the new roof had been installed and the street-side of the building painted. An open morning was to be held. Prices would be increased slightly to reflect the rising electricity costs.

078/23/FC Items of Correspondence

There were no further significant items of correspondence to report.

079/23/FC Date of Next Meeting

Members noted the date of the next meeting: Monday 26th June 2023.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.32pm.

Signed

Date: 26th June 2023