



Minutes – Public Spaces & Services Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at 7pm on Monday 19th June 2023 at the Parish Council Offices, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB

Present: Cllrs Boston, Bowers, Byfield, Gaisford, Higgins, Lawrence, Pentecost, Rogers and Silvey

In attendance: Tatiana Cant (Parish Clerk), Susan Brooks (Admin Officer), Cllrs Arthur and Wyn-Jones

Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

067/23/PS Election of Committee Chairman

Cllr Boston was nominated for the post of Chair to the Committee and was unanimously elected. Cllr Boston took the Chair.

068/23/PS Election of Committee Vice Chairman

Cllr Lawrence was nominated for the post of Vice Chair to the Committee and was unanimously elected.

069/23/PS Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Reynolds who had a personal commitment and the reasons were accepted.

070/23/PS Declarations of interest and dispensations granted

Cllrs Gaisford and Lawrence declared an interest in the items relating to works to the gabions and the surf club. No dispensations had been granted.

071/23/PS Minutes of the Last Meetings

Members of the relevant former committees approved the minutes of the last Public Spaces Committee meeting on 15th May 2023 and the Services Committee meeting on 13th March as a true and accurate record.

072/23/PS Committee Terms of Reference

Members considered the drafted Terms of Reference for the newly formed committee and these were unanimously AGREED subject to minor amendments.

073/23/PS Purchase of Strimmer

Members AGREED a quote of £910.90 for a heavy-duty strimmer for the use of the Handyman. If PPE were not included, it was agreed that this should also be purchased.

074/23/PS Update on Allotments

Cllr Silvey reported that the terms proposed by the landowner of the potential allotment site in Bolingey were reasonable and that the site met many of the council's needs. It was AGREED for Cllrs Pentecost and Silvey to explore further and report back to a future committee meeting.

075/23/PS Street Light Arrangements for Rose

Cllr Wyn-Jones noted that some Rose residents were unhappy with the trial and news of the council's intentions were awaited. Members noted the options quoted by a local supplier but it was unclear whether further quotes had been received. The item would be deferred to the next Full Council meeting and the situation clarified.

[Cllr Arthurs and Wyn-Jones left the meeting]

076/23/PS Droskyn Toilets

Cllr Lawrence referred to the design provided and suggested that the number of cubicles be reduced from 5 to 3. Members agreed and wished to receive 3 quotes for the following works: demolish and rebuild toilet block, same footprint as existing,

3 cubicles, living roof, natural light plus demolish adjacent shelter and install concrete base to accommodate 20 foot container.

077/23/PS Update on bins, footpaths, grass cutting, road cleaning

Cllr Lawrence reported that bins, footpaths, grass cutting, road cleaning were all in hand and emergency cleaning outside Droskyn toilets had been undertaken. Cllr Silvey reported that the footpaths were being cut and had a couple of weeks left to go and that he had been dealing with a few complaints received.

078/23/PS Works to Gabions at SummerHouse

Cllr Gaisford confirmed that an agreement recently discussed in relation to management of the gabions related in fact to the cove area. Works to the gabions at the SummerHouse had been undertaken previously by the Parish Council and it was therefore AGREED to carry out the works currently required. It was AGREED to commission repair works at £8,045 plus vat as quoted subject to confirmation that additional quotes had been sought. Short term remedial works would be undertaken in the meantime by the Handyman to ensure the area was safe.

079/23/PS EV Charge Rate

Members considered the Parish Council's charge rate of 70p/kWh in the light of Cornwall Council's newly installed chargers at Wheal Leisure which were at a rate of 79p (peak) and 75p (off peak) per kWh. It was AGREED not to make any immediate adjustments to the Parish Council's rate.

080/23/PS CCTV Provision at Goonhavern Park

Members noted that legacy funding was available to install a CCTV system at Goonhavern Park. Members considered quotes received from several suppliers and AGREED to proceed with Duchy Alarms up to a value of £8,000. A site meeting would be held to finalise the specification with Cllrs Bowers, Byfield and Silvey.

081/23/PS Mobile Visual Information System (MVIS)

Members AGREED not to commission the MVIS board for 2023 and to monitor traffic congestion with a view to revisiting options for 2024. A reminder would be sent to Bells car park regarding the need to ensure that traffic flowed easily during the busy season.

082/23/PS Bolenna Play Equipment

Members considered options for replacement of the play surface for the Bolenna Zip Wire and agreed to obtain quotes for a soakaway and bark chippings.

083/23/PS Approval of Events

The following events were AGREED:

- a) SLSC Perranporth, Duncan Newby Swim – 11th July
- b) SLS Cornwall, Summer Twilights – 19th July
- c) SLSC Perranporth, Perranathlon and Youth Challenge Aquathon – 3rd September

084/23/PS Update on Public Spaces

- a. Perranporth Beach – Cllr Byfield noted that sand movements had been undertaken by the Watering Hole and permission sought immediately beforehand. The Senior Beach Officer had spoken to a camper in the sand dunes. The police had spoken to a group of young people who were celebrating after their exams in the dunes and had provided them with safety advice.

Cornwall Council had brought the Parish Council's attention to a feature which they considered might be a dangerous adit. This was investigated by Cllr Gaisford with a representative from the Duchy and it was confirmed that the feature was in fact a cave and did not pose a risk.

Members noted the RNLI incident statistics for May 2023.

It had been reported by the RNLI that lifeguards had been called to attend a high number of incidents related to riders falling from horses on the beach, thus taking resource away from the rest of the beach. It was AGREED to convene a meeting of the local riding school and the lifeguards to clarify procedures in the event of incidents.

- b. The Chair asked members if there were any significant points of concern relating to public spaces in the parish. Cllr Rogers reported that the Inner Green would be mown now that the fencing had been removed and once there had been some rain. Works to the water system at Cligga had been completed.
- c. Members AGREED to proceed with the Handyman's proposal to install paving stones at the Inner Green entrances at a cost of £230 for material plus vat and 2 day of his labour.

085/23/PS Updates from Working Groups

Members received an update from the following working groups:

- a. **Skate Park** – Some planning conditions remained to be discharged including drainage and remediation of contaminated soil. The council was obtaining specialist planning advice from a planning consultant and would arrange meetings with Cornwall Council officers to expedite the final stages of sign-off.
- b. **Bolenna Park** – There was nothing further to report at this stage.
- c. **Droskyn Project** – Cllr Rogers was in the process of arranging a team meeting.

086/23/PS Items of Correspondence

There were no additional significant items of correspondence.

087/23/PS Date of Next Meeting

Members noted the date of the next meeting: Monday 10th July 2023.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.07pm.

Signed

Date: Monday 10th July 2023