



Minutes – Public Spaces & Services Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30pm on Monday 14 August 2023 at the Parish Council Offices, Chyanhale, Ponsmere Valley, Perranporth, TR6 0DB

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

In attendance: Amanda Lash (Parish Clerk), Rebecca Harrod (Finance Officer)

Public Participation

Invitation by Cllr Rogers - powerpoint presentation of amended proposals for Tamblyn Way steps by Carl Harding, Stride Treglown Architects followed by Q&As. Original and revised plans shown. Estimated budget reduced from £5m to around £2m. Happy to advise on possible sources of funding. Cllr Arthur suggested memorial steps which people can purchase. Feasibility study approximately up to £10k. Cllr Boston explained backlog of projects and unlikely to be looked at in the immediate future. Cllr Boston thanked Carl for his time presenting possible proposals.

1. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Byfield, Lawrence, Trevethen and Silvey and the reasons were accepted.

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2. Declarations of interest and dispensations granted

No declarations of interest were made and no dispensations had been granted.

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3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Members approved the minutes of the last Public Spaces & Services Committee meeting on 10 July 2023 as a true and accurate record. Cllr Boston updated the Committee - Zipwire completed. Bins not ordered yet. Droskyn Covenant – waiting findings/advice from Cllr Byfield. Cllr Bowers requested Cllr Byfield email committee with findings.

Proposed: Cllr Higgins

Seconded: Cllr Gaisford

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4. (Presentation moved to public participation) Update on allotments

EO Meeting ratified bid. Still waiting for land. Other possible sites need further discussion.

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5. Strategic Objectives

Draft Strategic Objectives were discussed and the following amendments proposed:

- Remove -Item 1 bullet point 1 “Undertake a feasibility study for a community bus and park and ride service.” – not statutory duty.
- Remove Item 4, 3rd bullet point “Ensure street lights are maintained in accordance with Council policy”. Street lights – more business as usual. Take out lighting as not obliged to provide. The new Cornwall Council policy on street lighting/dark skies was noted. Wording open to allow changes.
- New Item – “Promote environmental sustainability and work towards achieving carbon neutrality”.
 - Continue to support the work of PACE
 - Continue the Council’s planting programme
- “Adopt a strong focus towards key community and social resources” – add following bullet points:
 - Support the work of local voluntary organisations such as Perranporth Community Hub and the Community Fridge

- Work towards identifying key community resources and exploring community space.
- Develop existing space for youth and community activities.
- Item 3 “Promote the Parish’s unique cultural, industrial, and natural heritage.” 2nd bullet point “participate in initiatives to preserve and enhance Reen Sands SSSI” to include Cligga Head, Penhale Dunes and Perranporth Dunes.
- Item 5 – “Provide new community-owned recreation facilities in the parish and maintain existing spaces.” Bullet point 5. “Maintain public toilets and develop where necessary including: Droskyn, Goonhavern, Bolenna and the Skatepark in Phase 2.
- Item 7 - “Initiate greater levels of communication and engagement with the public.” New bullet point
 - To create a Communication and Engagement Strategy aimed at augmenting transparency. This strategy will establish guidelines for interacting with the public, including through platforms such as social media and the website, whilst also outlining relevant policies and procedures for the use of such platforms.

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6. Update on CCTV system for Goonhavern Park (Cllr Bowers)

CCTV due to be installed on 7 September by Duchy Alarms. Tree stumps need to be removed to put in pole. Cllr Silvey received a quote £750 for this work. This expenditure was agreed as a necessary expense, as tree stump currently a health and safety issue. Play area and car park to be shut on 6 and 7 September to carry out these works. CCTV expenditure to be approved at Full Council (as Trustees of Goonhavern Parks Committee) on 29 August.

Proposed: Cllr Bowers

Seconded: Cllr Gaisford

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7. Budget and associated works for Bolenna Park Building (Cllr Boston)

Budget distributed to Committee. If approved at Council, will update budget monthly. Bat survey being completed tomorrow. Explained that the works come under permitted development – just for toilets. Replacing like for like. Exempt from Covenant. Cllr Boston has tried to secure 3 quotations for the work via MyBuilder, but has only received one quotation from Trevaills.

Discussed trench work over the road at the bottom of Lower Hill Crest and implications/permissions to do the work. Would this require a Wayleave? Indemnity? Currently do not know who owns this part of the land. Finance Officer suggested looking at deeds on Land Registry. Cllr Boston happy to investigate. Residents will be contacted regarding trench work. It was suggested to round up the project to £150k. Associated works such as the path, ongoing utility costs, cleaning/toilet supplies and times of opening and locking have not been discussed as yet. A suggestion was that whoever does the cleaning also locks the toilets, however, no recommendation made for opening and closing times. More discussion required. The Committee thanked Cllr Boston for all her work on this project.

It was resolved to recommend a budget of £150k for the Bolenna Toilets to Full Council.

Proposed: Cllr Boston

Seconded: Cllr Higgins

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8. Proposed PACE Garden outside Parish Council Offices (Cllr Pentecost)

PACE would like to use the old adjacent swing/slide area for a vegetable garden, and plants for wildlife, together with other features including a bird bath and water butt. The aim is to engage children and promote growing/educate. Outlined engagement with local school to design the area. 4 entries were submitted. This would be an excellent example of a small space project and what can be achieved. Volunteers from PACE willing to do all the work and provide plants. PACE budget needed for raised beds, bird bath, water butt. Handyman may be willing to do some work. PACE will maintain gardens.

It was **noted** that this area has been earmarked for a bore hole to supply water to rugby and football clubs and the Parish Council. After discussion, it was agreed that, in the interim, PACE could use the area temporarily but that they would need to organise the removal of the slide/swings.

It was resolved to recommend to Council that PACE use the swing/slide area for a vegetable garden/flowers , for a limited period (before the bore hole project starts) and use £1,000 of the PACE budget to get the project started.

Proposed: Cllr Pentecost Seconded: Cllr Rogers: UNAN 111/23/PS

9. **RNLI Statistics**
Noted.

10. **Update on skatepark (Cllr Gaisford)**
Waiting for final condition (drainage) to be discharged. Cornwall Council planning department are apparently short staffed due to holidays, so have extended conditions requirement to 7 September. Maverick will be giving updated figure and proposed start date once all conditions discharged.
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11. **Results of tree survey**
Defer to next meeting. Cllr Silvey to report if there is anything dangerous in the report.
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12. **Approve Events**
(a) Use of the Inner Green was discussed. It was **agreed** that use of the Inner Green to be aligned with existing list of allowed events. Must be non-commercial.
(b) Filming request The Media Bunker (Friday 1 September, Perranporth Beach. **Approved**
(c) Kids Skate Day & Community Fridge event (4 September). **Approved**

Proposed: Cllr Pentecost Seconded: Cllr Rogers UNAN 114/23/PS

13. **To Receive any new updates**
a. PACE – Plant survey in park. 4 volunteers. Identified over 30 different plants. Shows what leaving the grass to grow does. Working on an event 30 September. Film and panel discussion local food and eating well. Will have a meeting to see if going ahead.
b. Cligga - Water supply at Cligga complete (Cllr Rogers)

14. **Discuss use and management of Cligga open spaces**
Discussed at length issues with potholes, caravans, boats/junk, and “residents”. There has been a tent pitched on the old football pitch for some time. The issues are now having an environmental impact on the green space around Cligga. The tenants of the Hanger have taken over a large area. It is clear that this needs a separate group to work through the options.

Recommend to Council a sub-committee be set up of between 5-7 councillors with the remit of proposing sustainable options for Cligga to Council.
Recommend instruct Property Manager to visit the Hanger and enforce the lease.

Proposed: Cllr Bowers Seconded: Cllr Pentecost UNAN 115/23/PS

15. To note any items of correspondence from the Clerk.
None.
16. To note the date of the next meeting: Monday 11 September 2023

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 9.40pm