

Minutes of a meeting of Mawgan Parish Council held in the Recreation Hall on Wednesday 16th January 2013 at 7.30 pm

Present

Councillor Kevin Roberts (Chairman)

“ Shaun Lock (Vice-chairman)

“ Mrs Pearl Merton

“ Miss Lindsay Hockley

“ Mrs Yvonne Barlow

“ Vivian Benney

“ Julian Rand

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1. To accept apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Chris Roberts, Chris Knuckey and John Hatton. Members wished Cllr Chris Knuckey a speedy recovery from a recent minor stroke and a card was signed to send to him.

2. Members to declare personal & prejudicial interests (incl details thereon) re any items on this agenda

There were no declarations.

3. To receive PCSO Julia Berry's monthly report

In her absence, the Clerk read PCSO Julia Berry's report:

During January there were four crimes reported to the Police.

Communication Act 2003; this crime has been investigated and filed.

Common Assault and Battery; a person was arrested for this offence; however, they were later released with no further action.

Theft; there has been a theft of heating oil; the victim has been visited and security advice given. This is the first incident of the theft of heating oil locally for a considerable amount of time.

Harassment without the fear of violence; the investigation for this crime is ongoing.

If you have any crimes you would like to report please telephone 101, or should you have any concerns which you would like to discuss please call me on 01326 555158, this is an answer machine service, please leave a message and I will get back to you.

4. Public questions

There were no public questions.

5. To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting

It was RESOLVED that the Chairman sign the minutes as a true and correct record of the last meeting.

6. Matters arising from the minutes – not covered elsewhere in this agenda

There were no matters arising.

7. To consider planning applications received from Cornwall Council

- a) PA11/10072 Construction of 2 dwellings and associated works, Brendon, Mawgan Cross, Mawgan, Mr A Hosking

Mr A Hosking was present and spoke about the application. He stated that the drainage was tested deep and shallow – figures from percolation tests were more than capable of dealing with soakaway water but he would need environmental consent. A tree had been felt to be too close to parking, so the parking area had been moved. The proposed footway would have to be fenced and this had been allowed for in the plans. The Parish Council and applicant would have been happy with 1 dwelling, but the planning officer had stated that this was underdevelopment, so he had drawn up plans for 2. All members present were in favour of supporting the application.

- b) PA12/12009 & 10 Listed Building Consent for Construction of a pitched roof over an existing flat roof and installation of solar roof panels, The Old Rectory, Mawgan, Miss R Jones
All were in favour of supporting the application.

8. To receive planning decisions as determined by Cornwall Council

14.12.2012	PA12/10347	APPROVED
Applicant:	Mr D Viol	
Location:	Kaledna Skyburriowe Lane Garras Helston Cornwall	
Proposal:	Extension of time on planning decision PA10/03040 dated 14 July 2010 Conversion of barns to form dwelling and ancillary unit	

9. To receive update on the S106 Agreement situation with regard to Oak Tree Cottage, Higher Lane
Nothing further had been heard from Cornwall Council.

10. To discuss updating parish plan – additional information to be included

It was agreed to invite Chris Clark, who had prepared the original parish plan, to the next meeting to discuss what was required.

11. To receive Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger’s report

A full Council meeting had been held the day before to discuss the Council Tax reform but no decision had been made. Another meeting would held the following Tuesday as it needed finalising by 31st January otherwise it would cost Cornwall Council £6m. With regard to the Local Plan; final comments were required by 18th January – 2 days time. If adopted, it would not leave many houses to be built in the rural area, excluding Helston up to 2030 as the total figure had now been reduced by 10,000 to 38,000. The allocation for the community network area minus Helston was 800. Subtracting those completed since 2010, which was 160, and those that already had planning permission but were not completed, which was 358, left a figure of 282, and that did not include the proposal for over 50 in Porthleven currently being considered.

So the proposal until 2030 was for approximately 230 dwellings built in the whole CNA, excluding Helston, but including Porthleven, Mullion, (which has a comprehensive school), St Keverne etc and all the villages. This did not sound as many as it first seemed especially as the total revised figure for the whole of Cornwall was now reduced whereas these figures were based on the original 48,000. The Chief Executive Officer of Cornwall Council was leaving for New Zealand and Cornwall Council would not be appointing an interim CEO but leave it to the new Council in May to decide whether it needed one at all, as there were quite a few Council's that did not have one. He would not be getting any severance pay when

he left as he did not request any. There was a proposal to increase the Council Tax by 2% - this would be decided by the full Council in February. Cllr Walter Sanger's report was noted.

12. To consider consultation on review of Cornwall Council Home Choice housing register, see enclosed

Members went through the questionnaire, which the Clerk would submit online.

13. To consider precept requirements for next year

As Cllr Walter Sanger had previously reported; Cornwall Council had still not finalised the Council Tax benefit reform and so the D band equivalent rates for Parish Councils were still not available. An extension of time had been given until 6th February. The Clerk would contact members when the D band figures were available to see what effect it would have on Council's precept requirements.

14. Feast Week meeting January 23rd

This was noted.

15. Items for inclusion on next month's agenda

Advertising for trimming tenders would be discussed.

16. To approve the following outstanding accounts:

The following accounts were approved and cheques prepared:

a) Clerk's pay	£493.00	b) HMRC TAX/NI	£501.16
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17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – For information only

A fox had been found in a snare in a field opposite the Recreation Hall, by someone's dog whilst it was being walked. The dog killed the fox. There was concern at these traps being set so close to a residential area as pet dogs and cats could get in them. The Police would be advised.

Water was being discharged from someone's property through the hedge into Langweath Lane. As Langweath Lane was not a definitive path or highway, nothing could be done.

A resident in Glebe Close had received a letter from Coastline Housing reference maintenance of the water treatment works. Cllr Julian Rand had looked into it.

The paper bank at the Hall had been removed, as had the recycling bins at Cllr Vivian Benney's caravan site. The Clerk had reported the missing hall bin to Cornwall Council.

The Chairman took the following as an urgent item:

18. To consider quote from EDF for fixed term contract for 12 months

The Clerk had requested a quote for the provision of the bus shelter electricity and the quote expired in two days time. The quote was for £95.16, which divided by 4 for quarterly came to £23.79, whereas current quarterly bills were £38. It was RESOLVED to accept the quote in the sum of £95.16, as at least there was some saving.

19. Date of next meeting – 20th February 2013

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

CHAIRMAN

Date