

Minutes of a meeting of Mawgan Parish Council held in the Recreation Hall on Wednesday 19th November 2014 at 7.30 pm

Present

Councillor Shaun Lock (Chairman)

“ Mrs Pearl Merton

“ Vivian Benney

“ Miss Lindsay Hockley

“ Chris Roberts

“ Kevin Roberts

“ Mrs Dot Spragg

“ Anthony Hoskin

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs John Hatton, Colin Chapman and the Police.

2. Members to declare pecuniary & prejudicial interests (incl details thereon) re any items on this agenda and any dispensations thereon previously granted or requested now

There were no declarations.

3. To receive PCSO Julia Berry's monthly report

Please accept my apologies for not attending the meeting this evening.

I am pleased to advise you that there were no crimes reported to the police during October.

I am also pleased to inform you that there were no anti-social logs in Helston around the Halloween weekend.

On another note I was invited into Garras School on Monday 3 November to conduct a whole school assembly on road and firework safety.

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 (2 minutes each, 15 minutes total). This is your only chance to speak

A member of the public from Rosevear asked Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger whether there was any update on how to reduce speeds there and also whether the results of the Police speed check taken after the accident on Good Friday were known. Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger stated that nothing had been considered at Cornwall Council and the Police would be asked about their speed check.

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 previous meeting.
6. Matters arising from the minutes – not covered elsewhere in this agenda
There were no matters arising from the minutes.
7. To consider planning applications received from Cornwall Council
 - a) PA14/09317 Proposed extension to existing stables and new tractor store, Landare, Lower Lane, Mawgan, Mrs N Ray
Members present supported the application.
 - b) PA14/09827 Erection of new field access with gate, Nanceverne Bungalow, Gweek Drive, Mawgan, Mr Alan Harris
Members present supported the application.
8. To receive planning decisions from Cornwall Council
31.10.2014 PA14/09223 APPROVED
Applicant: Mr and Mrs D Andrews
Location: Valley View Mawgan Helston TR12 6AX
Proposal: Proposed extension with garage and alterations including Juliet balcony and rooflights
9. To receive Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger's report. Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger started by saying that the budget would be discussed on 25th November. There were some minority groups that were trying to change it but it probably would not be changed. Following the various public consultations throughout the County there had been some changes; cuts would not be made to vulnerable people, roads, transport and 9 other things. Most of the top things had already been addressed. There would be 280 redundancies, together with 80 posts not being filled and this would all be by the end of this financial year. £31m saving was being made on staff (1/6th of the budget). Those left would be doing more work, which could cause stress, sickness and loss of people. The Department for Transport had announced a 4 year funding deal for flights between Newquay and London Gatwick airport. The public service obligation (PSO) would continue a link which contributed millions of pounds to the Cornwall and south west economies. The government was providing £2.5 million in addition to £300,000 from Cornwall Council. Aer Lingus was also starting a route Newquay to Ireland next May, which would connect with international flights at Dublin. This would be good for the travelling public.

10. To receive update on Christmas tree provision & discuss funds for it

The Chairman and Clerk had been to Trelowarren and selected a tree with Sir Ferrers Vyvyan, which he would donate to the village. The Recreation Hall Committee had bought lights which could be utilised. This, together with a collection box in Mawgan shop and a donation of the profit from the tabletop sales in the Farmer's Market recently, would go towards providing power, etc for the lights. A member asked exactly what position was wanted for the tree because he would be responsible for siting it. This was discussed.

11. To receive report from Cllr Lindsay Hockley on possible repair of bridge on footpath 7

I met Bev Wilson from Helston Works (part of Inclusion Cornwall) at 2.30pm on Friday 16th October and introduced her to landowner Geoffrey Benney who accompanied us down the footpath to the stream and the site of the bridge.

It would seem that the bridge was laid across the two banks rather than being fixed into the banks so in the floods of last winter it was dislodged and went downstream a few yards causing further flooding problems. Mr. Benney removed the bridge from the stream and laid it aside for safe keeping. It looks as though it could be refurbished and reused.

Bev took photographs and made notes and she thinks it is a project they could undertake, but will probably recommend it for next Spring, rather than try to do something now in already fairly wet and muddy conditions which are likely to get worse as winter progresses.

I also mentioned the only other project in Mawgan that I was aware of which is repainting the inside of the Vyvyan Coach House which she noted.

Cllr Vivian Benney felt that a post driver would be required to drive posts for the bridge down 2-3ft otherwise the same thing would happen again.

Members thanked Cllr Lindsay Hockley for her assistance in meeting Bev Wilson and would await developments in the spring.

12. To receive update on bridge in Treverry Woods

Members received photos that the Chairman had taken of the new bridge, whilst walking his dog down there. It was all fine, with a wooden railing installed to prevent people from going over the edge because the bridge was now only half the width of before, due to there being no granite now. It was a

shame that this had been lost to vandalism. The sides had been built up with cages of stones. It was noted.

13. To receive update on position with regard to Toy cast iron finger post and consider next move

The Clerk had met with someone from the foundry at Wadebridge and obtained quotes to replace the two arms. There was a one-off price of £105 to create a mould from the existing arm and each of the two other arms would be £480.00 a piece. The mould price might be able to be shared with St Keverne Parish Council because it needed two arms from the same mould for a signpost near Traboe Cross. It was agreed to pay for one to be cast at a cost of £480 and apply to Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger's Community Chest fund. It was felt the second arm, of which there was still a long one at the Cormac depot in Helston, could be cut down and re-bolted. However, Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger stated that there was very little left in his fund – barely enough for one. The Clerk would apply for whatever was left up to £480.

14. To discuss getting milestones refurbished (none of them are listed so could just pressure wash, etc)

It was agreed to ask the churchyard trimmer for a quote to pressure wash 4 milestones and re-paint the lettering in black.

15. To discuss sending letter to MP re announcement of proposed HS3 rail link in North

Cllr Lindsay Hockley felt it totally out of order that another possible high speed rail link could be built in the North, whilst nothing was to be done about transport infrastructure in the South West in general and Cornwall in particular. According to the Cornwall Local Plan, all transport links were supposed to be key to the County. If that was so, then it was just as important for Devon & Cornwall to get an upgrade to the rail infrastructure as it was for the North. A commitment should be made to do something for Cornwall here and now - not a future HS3-type project that may never happen. Some way of guaranteeing the link at Dawlish and/or a decent replacement, electrification at least to Plymouth and more/bigger trains to counter overcrowding that was constant these days. Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger noted that the A30 would now be dualled all the way, together with the A303, including a tunnel next to Stonehenge. One member questioned whether Cornwall would change if

everyone could get down here quicker; it would become like Birmingham and tourism could die because they did not want that. It was felt there was no harm in sending a letter to MP Andrew George. A letter would be sent.

16. To consider a funded feasibility study into a community energy scheme

It was agreed that it could be useful to find out more and if it was free then all the better. A representative would be invited out to a future meeting.

17. Clerk's & Councils Direct magazine

This was noted.

18. To receive proposal by BT to remove Rose-in-the-Bush telephone box and whether to adopt for £1

It was RESOLVED to let this one go because it would cost more to maintain, as the Garras one already did, plus Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger stated that EDF were charging a lot for the disconnection of the electricity.

19. Items for inclusion on next month's agenda

To consider the possibility of having a defibrillator in the village.

20. To consider donation of £100 to Lunch Club towards Christmas lunch

It was RESOLVED to donate £100 to the Lunch Club towards the Christmas lunch. It was further agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to the couple who had become cook and treasurer for the club, in order to get it re-started after 4 months of closure.

21. To adopt 1st & 2nd quarter accounts

It was RESOLVED that the 1st & 2nd quarter accounts be adopted.

22. To approve the following outstanding accounts:

It was RESOLVED that the following outstanding accounts be approved and cheques prepared:

a) Clerk's pay Oct (net)	£491.24	d) Lunch club donation for Christmas	100.00
b) Clerk's expenses Nov 14	£49.65	e) Churchyards trimming x 1	£195.00
c) Information Commission renewal	£35.00	f) Verges trimming x 1	£15.00

23. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – For information only

The Clerk advised that a planning application had just been received for retention of the tool shed at Countybridge Quarry, Goonhilly. As the response was not required until 4th December she felt members might wish to have a site

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meeting there before sending in observations. It was agreed to ask for a site meeting.

The meeting was advised that a Christmas Day lunch was being held at the Recreation Hall for people who used the local food banks and for people who would be alone on Christmas Day with nowhere else to go. It was a peninsula-wide lunch. Anyone who knew of someone that might be able to attend would advise them of the lunch.

24. Date of next meeting – 17th December

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

CHAIRMAN

Date