

Minutes of a meeting of Mawgan Parish Council held in the Recreation Hall on Wednesday 21st September 2016 at 7.30pm

Present

Councillor Kevin Roberts (Chairman)

“ Michael Laity (Vice-chairman)

“ Mrs Pearl Merton

“ Vivian Benney

“ Miss Lindsay Hockley

“ Colin Chapman

“ Anthony Hoskin

“ Shaun Lock

“ Shane Bennett

“ Walter Sanger (Cornwall Council)

7 public

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

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

The Chairman Cllr Kevin Roberts item 7a) pecuniary interest

3. Public questions

There were no public questions.

4. To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting

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

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

With regard to item 11 in the previous minutes – clearing the ditch at the Recreation Field – the rubbish in it seemed to have disappeared. It was noted. There were no matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere in this agenda.

6. To consider planning applications received from Cornwall Council

- a) PA16/08047 Change of use of land from agricultural use to equestrian use. Erection of new timber framed stables. Land South Of Higher Bojorrow, Bojorrow, Garras, Ms Judy Buxton (Mrs J Annear)

The Chairman left the meeting during discussion of this item and Vice-chairman Cllr Mike Laity took the chair.

One member felt there was no problem – it was a use for the land. Another stated that the use had changed (this was retrospective as work had already started) in an AONB; hardstanding had been installed, new ‘domestic’ looking gateways created and an enforcement notice had been served, hence this application. It was contrary to the NPPF and

an unacceptable imposition in a rural landscape and AONB. He did not support it and would request that Cornwall Council planning refuse the application. Another member asked whether it was domestic or commercial. The applicant described it as small scale horse breeding, employing a person 5 days/week. Therefore the member considered it to be commercial. Cwll Cllr Walter Sanger asked the applicant whether she would be maintaining the stables that she already had at Mullion, to which she replied no. Cwll Cllr Walter Sanger then asked her if this application were approved would she be prepared to have conditions about the hours of workers written into the decision as there had been complaints from neighbours of the Mullion site about noise in the early hours. She did not answer this. It was therefore RESOLVED to recommend refusal of the application.

7. To receive planning decisions from Cornwall Council

26.08.2016 PA16/05671 REFUSED

Applicant: Mrs Catherine Hack

Location: Nanseverne Gweek Drive Mawgan TR12 6BQ

Proposal: Proposed affordable self-build dwelling on the footprint of existing barns

12.08.2016 PA15/11967 APPROVED

Applicant: Mr and Mrs I Edwards

Location: Land off Langweath Lane Mawgan Cornwall

Proposal: Erection of two affordable dwellings and one open market dwelling

11.08.2016 PA16/06367 APPROVED

Applicant: Mrs Anita Johnson

Location: 5 Bartles Close Mawgan Helston Cornwall TR12 6AS

Proposal: Tree is an Oak numbered C021016007 on the plan. Tree is to be pollarded at 3m

20.07.2016 PA16/00054 APPROVED

Applicant: Mr Barry Williams

Location: Roskymer Barton Rosevear Hill Mawgan Helston Cornwall

Proposal: Conversion and extension of agricultural buildings to form 5 dwellings including installation of sewage treatment plant and alterations to access

8. To receive dates for First Aid training from Cllr Hoskin

It was agreed that this was not required at the moment due to training that would be provided with the defibrillator that had now been ordered. However, it was still available if necessary at a later date. It was noted.

9. Cornwall Council – electoral review into number of Cllrs for future Cornwall Council

This item was taken together with the next item.

10. To receive Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger's report

Cornwall Council had no view as to how many Cllrs there should be post 2021. There could be a case for less Cllrs but then they would have a bigger area and more committee work so there would be less time for local issues. Numbers could be reduced to between 105 and 115 from the present 123. A GREG (Governance Review External Group) had been carried out into the

future governance of Cornwall Council. There was no argument for a directly elected mayor. A new Leadership Board was recommended. Community Network Panels (CNP's) were considered not to be good mainly because people did not attend them. They would either need to improve or be done away with, but if kept they required attendance. The next Helston & Lizard one would be held at Cury Village Hall on Wed 7th Dec at 6pm. The Police were now attending this rather than holding their own liaison meeting so saving having another meeting to attend. GREG also reported that there should be more and better Parish Council contact but councils had to respond as well. Cornwall Council should go out to the people where they reside rather than expect them to go to the 'town hall' for any contact. More young should be encouraged onto Cornwall Council. Devonwall was also considered in the GREG report. The aim was to get parliamentary constituencies as equally populated as possible, the range being 71 -78,000 population. At present to match this there were only enough people in Cornwall for 5.5 MP's, not the present 6. It was suggested that a smaller one be created for SE Cornwall. The Commission was visiting Truro in November and the public could attend.

11. Items for inclusion on next month's agenda

There was nothing new brought forward.

12. Clerk's & Council's Direct magazine

This was noted.

13. Cornwall AONB Management Plan 2016 -21- now available

This was noted.

14. To receive the external auditor's report for year ending 2015/16

Other matters not affecting the auditor's opinion; box 11 on Section 2, the trust funds disclosure note, was left unanswered for 2015/16 on the Annual Return. The council had confirmed that this box should read 'No'. It was noted.

15. To receive the financial statement

£26,621.76 was in the bank, before allowing for the cheques to go out below. It was noted.

16. To approve the following outstanding accounts:

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

a) Clerk's pay Aug (net)	£485.64	g) Cutting verge x 4	£72.00
b) Clerk's expenses (Aug)	£77.96	h) Footpath trimming	£687.63
c) Clerk's pay Sep (net)	£485.64	i) Internal audit 2015/16	£120.00
d) Clerk's expenses (Sep)	£11.91	j) Quarterly bus shelters cleaning	£40.00
e) Cutting churchyards x4	£936.00	k) Quarterly war mem maintenance	£30.00
f) Cutting Recreation Ground x 4	384.00	l) Defibrillator	£1488.00

17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – For information only

A member enquired about the defibrillator training. They were advised that it took time to organise – the defibrillator needed to be delivered first.

A car had been abandoned on the main road just below the Recreation Field pedestrian gate. Both the Clerk and a member had reported it to Cornwall Council but they were rather reticent in getting it moved.

The issue of the scrap metal trailer in Langweath Estate was raised again. Coastline would be contacted about it.

A member mentioned the hedge trimmings that kept being dumped outside the cemetery gate. The Chairman removed it from time to time and had done so recently, only for more to appear. The meeting was advised that a local volunteer put it there as he had nowhere else to put it. The graveyard trimmer would be asked to remove it; he would need dumpy bags to put it on. These could be arranged.

A letter had been received anonymously from ‘annoyed Mawgan Parishioners’ about the recent Boombox music festival that had taken place on land near Double Lodges. Complaints included the noise and bright lights. The bright lights were for security. The Clerk had also received complaints at St Martin Parish Council meeting following which she had written to Environmental Health and the Police. Their replies were read out. Members were not concerned about the festival; however one suggested that maybe things could be turned down after midnight.

18. Date of next meeting – 19th October

19. In view of the nature of the following items, it was to RESOLVED exclude members of the press and public under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 (Standing Order 1)

20. To discuss auto enrolment of Clerk into a pension scheme and a new contract of employment

It was RESOLVED that a new contract of employment be agreed, which included the provision to put the Clerk into a pension scheme, for which the auto-enrolment staging date was May 2017.

21. To make a Statutory Resolution that the Clerk be entitled to join the Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS), if requested.

A letter of request was received from the Clerk and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk be entitled to join the Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS). This would cost Council £1222/year employer contribution and could be taken from the balances put aside for a gratuity, as that was not now required and no longer applicable in the NALC/SLCC 2011 contract.

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

CONFIRMED 16TH OCTOBER 2016

CHAIRMAN

Date