

CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Cardinham Parish Hall on Tuesday 16th August 2022 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr J Best (Chair), Cllr G Tucker (Vice-Chair), Cllr G Rogers, Cllr P Claridge, Cllr K Morris, Cllr R Dyer, Cllr A Bonker, Cllr L Sutton, Cllr T Irwin, County Cllr J Cruse.

136/22 Apologies

Cllr R Farley.

137/22 Declaration of Interests

Cllr G Tucker declared his interest in item 10 – Finance on the agenda.

138/22 Public Session

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

139/22 County Councillors Report

Cllr Cruse provided a report on the following issues:

- The enforcement at Leball has been registered
- Galgeth – Cllr Cruse has applied for enforcement for the issue here.
- Hedges – Cllr Cruse has investigated how best to deal with any hedges that have been taken down without permission. Currently this should be reported to the police. Cllr Cruse said this issue of Cornish hedges isn't currently in the legislation but this is being looked at. Cllr Cruse agreed to write to Sector Inspector Regie Butler-Card about the hedges issue to find out what they will do should unauthorised removal of hedges be reported.
- Cycle Route: Cllr Cruse will pursue this through the Shared Prosperity Fund. Meeting with Rachael Tatlow at Highways, and also possibly with the Bodmin churches group, which created the Bodmin Way. The Parish Council was involved in the promotion of the Tourism leaflet for the surrounding parishes several years ago. This could really benefit the area re improved transport links.
- The Councillors had several questions for Cllr Cruse:
 - i) Cllr G Tucker queried why the Ross Park application didn't come back to Parish Council. This was because it was described as non-material. But this was a physical change, as it was being made bigger. Cllr Cruse will ask for clarification on the meaning of non-material amendment in relation to this and future applications.
 - ii) Footpath ± 32 – Cormac has temporary repaired the bridge but gate next to it now won't shut. Can Cllr Cruse look into this as this is wasteful of resources when it will have to be done again.
 - iii) Cllr G Rogers – Leball caravans and 2 chalets have been reported to enforcement.
 - iv) Cllr R Dyer – passing places signage has been done on Airfield Road. There is a road closure scheduled which hopefully will be to carry out the repairs to the passing places. The signage is quite small and basic.

140/22 Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 19th July 2022

Cllr G Rogers raised the issue of anyone with an interest declaring it and leaving the meeting – this should be declared at the start of the meeting and should then not take part in any discussion. There is an explanation on the Code of Conduct on interests. If pecuniary interests or a close family member are involved then Cllrs should declare their interest and leave the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th July had been circulated. The minutes for the meeting held on 19th July were proposed by Cllr K Morris, seconded by Cllr P Claridge and agreed as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chair.

141/22 Matters Arising

- Letter has been sent to Mr Toms to thank him for supplying the wood for the Tourist Hub seat.
- Letter sent to the Gardening Club to thank them for looking after the pots of flowers that were planted up for the Queens Jubilee
- Confirmation received on dates and times for the Cormac workshops.
- New laptop received.

142/22 Planning Decisions

The Chair read out the planning decisions that had been received since the last meeting, as follows:

PA22/02421 Bluebells Deviock Barns Cardinham Bodmin Cornwall PL30 4DA. Continued change of use from holiday let to dwelling house. **Approved**.

PA22/06390 Ross Parc Little Downs Cardinham Bodmin Cornwall PL30 4EF. Non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA22/04141 dated 24.06.22 for change to orientation of the porch extension, enlargement of pool building window and rooflights and re-positioning of the side extension by 1m. **Approved**.

143/22 Planning Applications

PA22/06875 St Meubreds Cottage Church Road Cardinham Bodmin Cornwall PL30 4BL. Non-material amendment (NMA1) in relation to decision notice PA20/09006 dated 12.10.2021 for roof alterations. (Case Officer: M Arnold)

There was a detailed discussion regarding this application with various points raised. Cllr A Bonker proposed **objection** and Cllr P Claridge seconded, with all in favour on the following grounds:

- The Cardinham Parish Council believes that any additional light requirements can be addressed by adequately glazing existing and approved openings into this room, without having to resort to the intrusive rooflights. Glazable openings into the room, existing and approved, total nearly 7.5m². Part glazing of an existing timber door has already been carried out so further part glazing of other doors / openings would not be out of keeping.
- There is no required minimum glazed area. New builds usually allow 15-20% of floor area and historic buildings less – 10-15% of floor area would be generous. The Barn living/kitchen floor area is approx. 26m² so glazing only half of the existing 7.33m² of openings would provide very adequate glazing, and would be totally acceptable, providing a far pleasanter environment than roof windows and these should be glazed before roof

lights are considered. The conclusion is therefore that the roof windows are neither necessary nor justified.

- The 3 roof lights would be very visible and would have a negative visual impact on this historic street scene and the important prominent roofline, which everyone has worked so hard to retain and preserve.
- Under the dark skies initiative, any light pollution must be addressed.
- It is also noted that there is now a flue that has been added to the roofline, yet another detrimental change to this historic roofline – so again this cannot be considered non-material.

144/22 Update on installation of a bench in the Tourist Hub/Bus Shelter.

The Chair thanked Cllrs T Irwin and K Morris and L Sutton for cleaning out the Tourist Hub. Their hard work is much appreciated and the Hub is looking much better.

145/22 Finance reports and payment of accounts

Cllr G Tucker declared his interest in one of the finance items.

The receipts and payments report for August showed:

Receipts of £16.28 (from the Beacon and BBQ event) & Payments of £1507.69 made up of:

Lanhydrock Garden Services Ltd - grass cutting - £337.20

C&G Tucker Ground Maintenance – Footpaths maintenance - £792.00

HMRC – Tax on clerk's wages for July - £48.20

J Wilson – Clerk's wages (£305.80) and expenses (£24.49 including £3.75 vat) for July - £330.29

Cllr T Irwin proposed and Cllr R Dyer seconded to sign this month's cheques. All in favour. The Chair and Cllr P Claridge signed Cllr G Tucker's cheque.

A Payments List, Budget to Actual comparison and a bank reconciliation had been prepared for the current period. These were forwarded to all the Councillors and added to the website.

146/22 Consider the correspondence from Let Cornwall Decide regarding the proposal to have a Mayor of Cornwall and resolve on any action to be taken.

A discussion took place on the possible pro's and con's of Cornwall having a mayor. Possible pros were that Cornwall would have more powers to deal with issues such as the number of second homes. The cons were that there would be more power concentrated at the top.

This has arisen due to the levelling up agenda from Government. A public consultation would take place before Cornwall Council made any decisions regarding this.

This piece of correspondence is not from Cornwall Council, it is from a third party. Cllr P Claridge proposed and Cllr R Dyer seconded that the Parish Council does not support or reject this as it is a third party that has approached the Parish Council asking for a decision, and it is not an official request from Cornwall Council. All agreed.

147/22 Correspondence

The following correspondence has been received during the month

- Cormac Meet the Teams Workshops – details of dates and times
- The proposed cycle route from Cardinham to Bodmin and Lanivet to Bodmin re the Shared Prosperity Fund.

- NALC Legal update – information on rules re several queries that have come up recently – eg working in 40C heat, resignation letters, co-opting councillors, allotments etc.

- Latest police newsletter
- Cornwall Council newsletter
- Community events – Cirque du Ciel – 3rd/4th Sept
- Reminder of the Teams meeting to be held on 23rd August should anyone wish to attend.
- Enforcement letter re Leball
- Civility and Respect newsletter
- Enforcement/Appeal letter re Gypsy Lane
- Blisland NDP letter – any comments to be sent by 5th Sept.
- Pavement Parking Issues – for information.

148/22 Footpaths.

- Post and gate now received
- Letter sent to parishioner regarding the repairs to fencing
- Footpath 32 Castle Farm is overgrown and needs cutting back

149/22 Highways

The following issues were notified:

- Some of the dwellings in Littledowns need to have the hedges cut back on the side bordering the highway as they are affecting visibility on the roads. Cllr G Tucker will provide a list to the Chairman. It was agreed that an article will be put in the magazine as well.
- The areas at the bottom of Peaches Hill and up to Treslea also need attention.
- Several of the cattle grids in the parish need looking at – this is Highways responsibility.
- The area around the letter box has been cleared and is looking very tidy now. The Parish Council would like to pass on its grateful thanks to Mrs Pauline Bonker for doing this – it is greatly appreciated.
- Cllr A Bonker also mentioned that Lanhydrock Garden Services have done a marvellous job of keeping the grassed areas in the parish looking nice and the Parish Council would like to pass on its thanks to them as well.
- Postmans Lane, Littledowns on the way to Mount – the cattle grid here is breaking up again.

Cllr J Cruse left the meeting

150/22 Parish Matters

- National Burial Survey – Cllr L Sutton gave a brief but very interesting presentation on the National Burial Survey, which involves having a special camera taking pictures of the whole of the churchyard and cemetery. Eventually, the whole of Cornwall will be covered by this service (Church of England only).
- The boundary wall of the church has been completed
- Cemetery gates – these will be rubbed down and painted shortly.
- Regarding the possible proposed disabled entrance to the cemetery, this is going to be surveyed to see if it will be possible due to the incline.
- Trustees of the Village Hall – a letter of valuation is required, the deeds of the Hall being required in order for the rates to be set. This is ongoing.

151/22 Items for the next agenda

1. None.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:13pm.

Chairman:

Date: 27th September, 2022