

CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Cardinham Parish Hall on Tuesday 15th April 2025 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr G Tucker (Chair), Cllr G Rogers, Cllr L Sutton, Cllr A Bonker, Cllr R Farley, Cllr K Rowe, Cllr P Claridge, Cllr T Irwin, Cllr D Saunter, County Cllr J Cruse, J Wilson (Clerk/RFO).
Four members of the public were present.

The Chair welcomed Councillors to the meeting.

056/25 Apologies

None.

057/25 Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensations

None.

058/25 Public Session

Four parishioners in attendance to voice their concerns and objections against planning application PA25/02294 as follows:

- Safety: The access for residents of Carblake is via a single-track lane onto the dual carriageway of the A30 (Westbound). The access point is single track up to the access where it widens slightly, but if there is a vehicle waiting to come out, then it causes problems for a vehicle wanting to leave the A30 and head along the track to Carblake, as it is not really wide enough to accommodate two vehicles. There is also a sharp turn there making negotiating the access even more difficult.
- Power outages are frequent in this area.
- There are concerns about drainage and surface water runoff.
- There are no amenities close by.
- There doesn't seem to be enough space for the number of planned dwellings, the parking that would be needed and the amenity space.

The Councillors noted the parishioners' concerns.

059/25 County Councillors Report

Cllr J Cruse reported on the following issues:

- A meeting of parishioners concerned about the Kernow Slide development took place at the neighbouring holiday site and was attended and reported on by Cornwall Live. The Cornwall Live team also spoke with the applicant and so a balanced report was provided. Cllr Cruse said she was pleased with how the reporting had been done.
- The Chair then thanked Cllr Cruse for all she has done for the parish for the last 4 years and for her dedicated support for our Parish Council. This is greatly appreciated by councillors and parishioners alike. Cllr Sutton also expressed our thanks to Cllr Cruse on behalf of the Councillors.

060/25 Minutes of the Previous Meeting held 18th March 2025

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated. There were two amendments:

- 036/25 - Cllr D Saunter arrived later.
- 053/25 - The Clerk contacted Cornwall Council to ask if someone from recycling can come to speak at the meeting. Cllr Claridge spoke to Ana to see if she could also speak at the meeting about the newly installed Bleed Kits. Both will attend.

The minutes for the previous meeting were proposed by Cllr L Sutton, seconded by Cllr D Saunter and agreed by all as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

061/25 Matters Arising from the meeting held on 18th March 2025

The road sweeper had been through Millpool. Cllr Cruse had chased this up and also the cutting back of the hedge.

062/25 Planning Decisions

[PA24/09427](#) Land North of Cabilla Manor Cardinham Bodmin Cornwall PL30 4DW. Construction of Temperate Rainforest Research Station (including removal of existing mobile homes). **Approved.**

063/25 Planning Applications

Note: The following application is a Prior Approval so the Parish Council has not been consulted on it, but the Parish Council can comment if appropriate:

[PA25/02294](#) Barn South West of Higher Carblake, Cardinham, Bodmin Cornwall PL30 4HH. Prior Approval for proposed barn conversion into 10 residential units. (Case Officer M Evans.)

The following comments were made by Councillors:

- Access is important. The current access is substandard but was acceptable at the time it was done
- It would be preferable to have condition added that the access track be made into two lanes.
- Is there a condition within Q class that it has to be sustainable development? If so, the relevant infrastructure should be put in place.
- Footpath 508/1 which lies within this site is to be protected – the Cornwall Council PROW team objected as this is a gold status path.
- The dwellings will be modest affordable homes – these are needed and it is commendable that these are being put forward.
- In principle this is acceptable providing that the access is safe and the infrastructure is in place but it is important that the comments raised by parishioners, which are highly pertinent, are taken into account.
- It was agreed to write to Mark Evans, the case officer for this application, to put forward our comments.

064/25 Other planning items

None.

065/25 To Consider any outstanding requests for contributions received during the year 2024/25.

- The Hugs Foundation. Cllr L Sutton proposed and Cllr K Rowe seconded not to give anything this year. It was agreed that the clerk should write to HUGS to let them know.
- The Wildlife Reflection Space at Cardinham School. Cllr P Claridge proposed a contribution of £150.00, seconded by Cllr D Saunter, all agreed.
- The Parish Hall – replacement vacuum cleaner. Cllr P Claridge proposed a contribution of £150.00, seconded by Cllr D Saunter, majority agreed. Cllr G Tucker abstained.
- The Parish Bell Ringers – replacement ropes. Cllr P Claridge proposed a contribution of £150.00, seconded by Cllr D Saunter, all agreed.

066/25 To agree the appointment of the Internal Auditors for the 24/25 Audit and consider the independence of the appointed auditors.

Cllr K Rowe proposed and Cllr R Farley seconded the appointment of Aalgaard Renshaw Business Solutions Ltd as internal auditors for Cardinham Parish Council internal Audit 24/25, as the Parish Council was pleased with the work they did last year. The Parish Council considered the independence of the appointed internal auditors and all was in order – proposed by Cllr K Rowe, seconded by Cllr R Farley, all agreed.

067/25 VE Day Commemorative silhouette

The clerk ordered the silhouette and it arrived in good time for the VE Commemoration Day. It will be erected in the Church grounds just before the commemorative events. A tea party will be held at the Cardinham Parish Hall on Thursday 8th May 2025 at 3.30pm. Millpool Chapel will hold a tea party on Sunday 4th May.

Finance reports and payment of accounts:**068/25 Payment of Accounts**

The receipts and payments report for Mar 2025/Apr 2025 showed:

- 1) Receipts of £Nil for March
- 2) Payments of £1,477.00 in March/April made up of:
 - i) Rosemary Rowe – Burial Fees - £35.00
 - ii) HMRC – Tax and ER's NIC on clerk's wages - £113.29
 - iii) J Wilson – Clerk's wages net - £402.32
 - iv) J Wilson – Clerk's expenses - £84.61
 - v) Cardinham School – Contribution to the Wildlife reflection space - £150.00
 - vi) Cardinham Parish Hall – Contribution towards the new vacuum cleaner - £150.00
 - vii) Cardinham Bell Ringers – Contribution towards new ropes -£150.00
 - viii) Cornwall ALC Ltd -25/26 Annual Subs - £391.58

Cllr R Farley proposed and Cllr K Rowe seconded to authorise the payments list. All in favour. Payments List, Budget to Actual comparison and a bank reconciliation for the current period had been prepared and circulated to all Councillors.

069/25 Correspondence

Correspondence for this month had been forwarded to Councillors by email. The following items were noted at the meeting:

- Letter from Redruth Town Council regarding the second home premium and method of distribution of these addition funds. It was proposed by Cllr P Claridge to write back to Redruth Town Council to notify them that we support their proposal for a change to a fairer system for distribution of the second homes council tax premium. All agreed.

070/25 Footpaths

- 508/3/1 Kissing gate for Cardinham village has been received from Cornwall Council and will be installed shortly.
- Tawna Moor – 508/36/1 – reports of people being prevented from going along the bridleway. Cllr G Tucker will investigate.
- The overgrown area by the airfield has been cut.
- Cllr T Irwin reported on a fence adjacent to a public footpath that has been moved. Cornwall Council have no issues with this. No further action to be taken.

071/25 Highways Issues were noted:

- The cattle grid gate post by the A30 slip road has been done.
- The pothole on the road into Cardinham has been filled but has left a large bump in the road. To be reported.
- Little Downs potholes: swatted.opposites.singers
- Crossroad sign by the Cardinham crossroads is incorrect; it gives priority to the Millpool Road rather than the road that goes past the school. It should be a give way sign.
- Brighton Water Hill – steep hill sign needed: microfilm.summit.tiptoes.

072/25 Emergency Planning, Fire and Flood

There have recently been evacuation procedures carried out in some areas of the Parish due to a fire on the moor. It is possible that an emergency committee is required – this will be raised at the Annual Parish Meeting. Clerk to add this to the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting.

073/25 Parish Matters

- Tap in cemetery has low water pressure. Cllr Tucker will speak with Mr Steve Best so this can be investigated.
- Notice boards need looking at. To be added to the May Agenda.
- Cllr P Claridge announced that there is now an online calendar for the Community Magazine accessible using a QR Code on the back of the magazine.
- Reminder that the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 24th April at 7.30pm in the Cardinham Parish Hall.

074/25 Items for the next agenda

- AGM will be held at the start of the May meeting
- Emergency Planning
- Insurance
- Purchase of Exclusive Right of Burial book of forms
- Parish Council Vacancy

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.30pm.

Chairman:
Date: 20/05/2025