



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, 15TH MARCH 2012 IN MAWNAN MEMORIAL HALL

PRESENT: Cllrs Gartside (Chairman), Gibbons, Lugg, O'Dell, Barlow, Mrs Lawry, Miss King and Sadler.

ALSO PRESENT: Ms S Willsher, Clerk; Cllr Hatton (from point mentioned); and eleven members of the public

The Chairman explained the safety procedures.

964/05 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Loomes and Gilmore.

965/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

i. In Items on the Agenda

Councillor Lugg declared a prejudicial interest in item eight of the recommendations from the Cemetery Design Advisory Group.

ii. Of gifts of a value of more than £25

There were no declarations of gifts of a value of more than £25.

966/05 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE POLICE

The Clerk spoke to the report received from the police. Since the last meeting on the 16th February 2012 there had been one crime reported in the parish. Four heavy duty batteries were taken from a fenced enclosure around temporary traffic lights at Trevena Gardens. Police were called after two drivers both refused to reverse on a narrow country lane. Before Police could attend the driver of a third vehicle asked one of the vehicles to move into a lay-by which they did. There was also a call to Police from a resident concerned by door to door tree cutting services being offered. No persons were located on Police attendance. There were no calls in relation to antisocial behaviour reported in the parish. Police were warning residents to be on the lookout following reports of bogus money collectors in Devon and Cornwall. People posed as legitimate collectors on behalf of a charity turned up on the doorstep and asked residents about their bank details. Under no circumstances should people disclose their PIN number or engage in conversation about their bank accounts on the doorstep. Genuine people collecting money on behalf of a charity always carried an identity card so people should always check this when answering the door.

967/05 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from the public.

968/05 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON THE 16TH FEBRUARY 2012

It was proposed by Cllr Barlow seconded by Cllr O'Dell and

968/05.2 **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th February 2012 be approved as a true record and be duly signed.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

969/05 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

A letter had been sent to the contractor regarding the fence at the graveyard. He had agreed to rectify the poor work. Members asked that another letter was sent to him asking that he let the Council know when he was intending to complete the work.

There would be a pre-application meeting about The Nook, Maenporth on Tuesday 20th March 2012 at 7.30pm in the Rendlesham Room.

970/05 TO RECEIVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CEMETERY DESIGN ADVISORY GROUP AND AGREE A DESIGN STATEMENT

Members discussed the ease of maintaining the small cremation memorials. Cllr Gartside said that the Council had been advised not to consecrate the ground due to the restriction this would place on the graveyard. It was agreed that initially two seats would be allowed to be installed in the graveyard; after which the total number of seats that could be installed would be reviewed. The practicalities of having animals graze part of the site were discussed.

Cllr Lugg left the meeting at this point at 7.36pm.

It was proposed by Cllr Sadler seconded by Cllr Gartside and

970/05.2 **RESOLVED** that Tim Lugg is nominated as the sole contractor for digging graves in the graveyard to ensure acceptable standards and correct disposal of waste materials.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

Cllr Lugg re-entered the meeting at this point at 7.39pm.

It was proposed by Cllr Gibbons seconded by Cllr Mrs Lawry and

970/05.3 **RESOLVED** that the recommendation received from the Cemetery Design Advisory Group are received and approved and are compiled into a Design Statement.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

971/05 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE DRAFT OFFICER MEMBER PROTOCOL

Cllr Gartside said that it was felt that there should be a protocol in place to articulate the relationships between members and officers.

It was proposed by Cllr Gibbons seconded by Cllr Barlow and

971/05.2 **RESOLVED** to receive and approve the Officer Member Protocol and that the Clerk and Chairman sign the document.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

972/05 **TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE DRAFT PLANNING PROTOCOL**

It was proposed by Cllr Barlow seconded by Cllr Sadler and

972/05.2 **RESOLVED** to receive and approve the draft Planning Protocol.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

973/05 **TO REVIEW THE MILEAGE RATE**

Cllr Gartside said that the Council currently paid 40p per mile. The NJC recommended mileage allowance was 45p per mile.

It was proposed by Cllr Gartside seconded by Cllr Mrs Lawry and

973/05.2 **RESOLVED** that travel expenses are remunerated at 45p per mile.

On a vote being taken on the matter there were 2 votes FOR and 2 votes AGAINST, the Chairman used his casting vote to vote FOR the motion. The motion was carried.

It was proposed by Cllr Sadler, seconded by Cllr Gibbons that travel expenses are remunerated at 40p per mile. There were 2 votes for, two votes against and the chairman used his casting vote to vote against the motion. The motion fell.

974/05 **TO RECEIVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE OFFICE AND FINANCE GROUP AND AGREE THE GRANTS**

Cllr Sadler declared a personal code of conduct interest in the grant application for the Anvil Trust.

Cllr Gartside declared a personal code of conduct interest in the grant application for Mawnan History Group.

Cllr Barlow declared a personal code of conduct interest in the grant application for the Helford River Children's Sailing Trust.

It was agreed that the grant application for Mawnan Panto Group would be considered at a later date when the accounts were available for inspection.

It was proposed by Cllr Gibbons seconded by Cllr Barlow and

974/05.2 **RESOLVED** to award the following grants:

Organisation	Power	Reason	Grant Value
Mawnan Anvil Trust	LGA 1972 S.137	To improve road safety at the blind corner of the smithy where it meets the road.	£250

		The trustees have had a safety screen designed to represent the flames of the smithy. There will be no gap below the cross bar that exceeds 10cms. It will be fixed to the smithy wall, parallel to the road. It will also give added interest to visitors	
Mawnan School PTA	LGA 1972 S.137	To replace the much loved play boat in the playground	£150
Mawnan History Group	LGA 1972 S.137	Towards the purchase of a PA system and microphones	£100
Mawnan Christmas Lights	LGA 1972 S.137	Help towards insurance costs	£225
Mawnan PCC	LGA 1972 S.215	Maintenance of two churchyards	£250
Mawnan PCC	LGA 1972 S.137	Printing of the Mawnan Newsletter	£200
Helford River Children's Sailing Trust	LGA 1972 S.137	Towards replacing 3 tilt mechanisms for the 3 safety boats	£200
Mawnan Smith Methodist Church	LGA 1972 S.137	Towards repairs to the organ	£100
Mawnan Mothers Union	LGA 1972 S.137	Plants and replacement compost for the 4 flower tubs at the entrances to St Michaels churchyard	£30
Mawnan Wives	LGA 1972 S.145	To assist with cost of hiring the Memorial Hall and the cost of hiring speakers	£0

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

975/05 TO CONSIDER ENTERING THE CORNWALL IN BLOOM COMPETITION AND AGREE FUTURE ACTION

Members felt that there was insufficient resource available to enter this competition alongside all of the other events planned for the year.

976/05 TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE AND AGREE RESPONSES IF APPROPRIATE

A list of correspondence was circulated to members.

Cllr Gartside said that a letter of condolence had been sent to Mylor Parish Council after the death of their Chairman.

The Clerk read the following statement on behalf of the Council:

'Mawnan Parish Council regrets the closure of the Hammer and Hoe, which has provided a valuable service to the community for many years. The Council wish Duncan and his family every success in the future. The Parish Plan articulated clearly that the shops in Mawnan are essential to the sustainability of the village and we would not wish to see any erosion of the facilities offered. This Council encourages landlords across Cornwall to reflect on excessive rent rises that are not in line with the profitability of businesses especially in the recession.'

Councillor Hatton entered the meeting at 7.55pm.

Cllr Sadler asked the Clerk to forward the email from CALC about business rates.

It was agreed that Cllr O'Dell would attend the Cornwall Council pre-application task group meeting on Thursday 29th March in the Grenville Room, New County Hall, Truro.

Cllrs Gartside and Gibbons would attend the Cornwall Council Local Council Planning Forum on Wednesday 25th April 2012 in the Council Chamber, New County Hall, Truro.

977/05 TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL

The Clerk said that the following planning decisions had been received:

- PA11/09922 – Mawnan Allotment Association, Land Off Grove Hill, Mawnan Smith – Construction of a storage building for 20 allotment users, a water harvesting tank and associated landscaping – APPROVED
- Pa11/10052 – Mr Haydyn Wood, The Nook, Maenporth – Demolition of dwelling and construction of replacement - WITHDRAWN

978/05 TO NOTE THE PLANING ENFORCEMENT COMPLAINTS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL

High Grove, Grove Hill, Mawnan Smith – Creation of access onto Grove Hill. The Clerk said that the access was temporary during building works and would be blocked up on completion. As it is only a temporary entrance there was no planning permission needed.

979/05 TO NOTE ANY PRE-APPLICATION MEETINGS HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THIS COUNCIL

There had been pre-application meetings held at the Budock Vean Cottage.

Cllr O'Dell said that he had represented the Council at a planning committee of Cornwall Council. He had spoken on the applications for Anvower and Spindrift. Anvower was refused permission and Spindrift was given planning permission. He was disappointed in the planning process. Members of Cornwall Council planning committee had not visited the sites and many did not have knowledge of the area. He felt that this Council's comments should have been taken more seriously as we had local knowledge and represent the people of the area. Cllr Gartside said that planning guidelines were not law and were open to interpretation. Cllr Hatton explained the discussion on the applications. He said that the number of Cornwall Council decisions that differed from the local Town and Parish Council was very small. Cllr Gartside thanked Cllr Hatton for supporting this Council.

980/05 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL BY THE DATE OF THE MEETING

- PA12/01687 – Ms Joanne Barrett, 24 Parc An Manns, Mawnan Smith – Application for the extension of time for planning permission for application PA08/02053/F**

It was proposed by Cllr Gibbons seconded by Cllr Barlow and

980/05.2 **RESOLVED** that there are no objections.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

981/05 FINANCE AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Approval and Payment of Accounts

It was proposed by Cllr Gibbons, seconded by Cllr O'Dell and

981/05.2 **RESOLVED** that cheque 001973 for £42.50 paid to Cornwall Council to discharge condition 2 of the graveyard planning permission is ratified and accounts totalling **£3,212.89** be approved for payment in March 2012 and duly signed

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

982/05 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

The Clerk spoke to an email from Cornwall Council regarding the following footpaths:

Footpath 10 - At the wet section, we were hoping to get a group of volunteers to do this work as a volunteer project, however, our volunteer co-ordinator hasn't been in touch over this since, so I am assuming she has not been able to progress this one. At the moment, it's on my list of paths to do if/when we can get money in the new financial year.

Footpath at Penwarne - The waymarking at Penwarne is more of a long term project. At this time, it is a bridleway which turns to footpath, which then turns to bridleway to then link into footpath. I am reluctant to put in too much waymarking along here due to the confusing nature of it. A few months back, I did put up some waymarker discs on the fence posts along here to indicate where it turned to footpath. I have spoken to the owner here and advised her that I was reluctant to put up waymarkers of a more permanent nature until the definitive map is sorted out properly.

Cllr Gartside said that there had been some damage to a wall at the Junior Playing Field. He was getting quotes repair the collapsed section of wall.

983/05 REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL WARD MEMBER

Cllr Hatton reported that:

- Cemeteries, policies and fees – it had been advertised that in some areas of Cornwall there would be a huge increase in fees in municipal graveyards. Some Cornwall Councillors felt that the process for the decision to increase the fees was wrong and were going to call in the decision.
- Sadly Charlotte Chadwick's mother passed away at the end of March.
- Public toilets – Cornwall Council had received a grant to allow the public toilets to remain open until the autumn.
- Bus service changes – the changes would be publicised shortly. Due to previous poor performance by First members of the public would be watching their performance closely.
- Waste contract – from the 1st April Cory would be collecting the waste throughout Cornwall.

- On the 30th March 2012 there would be an MEP visiting the area. There would be a public meeting in the Toms Centre, Constantine about the future if the Euro.

984/05 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Mawnan Parish Council will be held on Thursday 19th April 2012, commencing at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

985/05 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Members of the public made the following comments:

- The development at Castle View Park had begun. They were starting to look for applicants to occupy the affordable dwellings. It was agreed that there would be notice on the Council website to let people know where they could find further information. The details would be uploaded to the community website. The developer was in discussion with Cornwall Council Highways regarding the surface of the road.
- There was concern expressed about the state of Anna Maria Creek. There were small boats broken up on the shore. They asked for the Council's help to get the area cleaned up.
- There seemed to be a reluctance in Cornwall Council to secure compliance with planning enforcement.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.59pm.

Signed: 19th April 2012
Chairman