



## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2011 IN MAWNAN MEMORIAL HALL**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Gartside (Chairman), Gibbons, O'Dell, Miss King, Mrs Loomes and Barlow

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllr Hatton and five members of the public

### **755/05 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Lawry, Sadler and Gilmore.

### **756/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

#### **a) In Items on the Agenda**

There were no interests declared.

#### **b) Of gifts of a value of more than £25**

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

### **757/05 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE POLICE**

The Clerk spoke to the report forwarded by the police. Since the last meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> May there had been two crimes reported in the Parish. Lead flashing had been taken from the roof of the Community Centre between May and early June. Lead flashing had also been removed from the roof of the school between March and mid June. All residents were reminded that the high prices for scrap metal were an incentive for people to take metal. They were advised not to attract attention and to keep metal items and scrap out of plain view and to report any metal thefts. There were no reports of antisocial behaviour. A call was received about vehicles parked in the passing places on the Durgan Road. Tickets were issued as the area was clearly signed as a passing place and that parking was not permitted. There was one call about a possibly suspicious male knocking on doors looking for a tow for his caravan. All was in order when spoken to by an officer and advice was given. PCSO Gardiner had at the request of residents paid close attention to the issue of parking on the Durgan Road, many of the vehicles belonged to visitors and warnings and tickets were being issued when required to keep the passing places clear.

### **758/05 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

A member of the public said that:

- At previous meetings members of the public had been assured that the allotments would be for people within the village. They were concerned to read in the newspaper that the allotments would only be viable with people outside of the village having plots.

- People from outside the village would have to travel by car which would create parking issues.
- Most people in Mawnan Smith had gardens which could be a reason for the lack of interest in the allotments.
- Allotments were hard work, disillusioning and people tended to lose interest.
- The plot for the allotments was a gateway to the village and there was concern that there was potential for the allotments to be an eyesore
- There were concerns regarding parking and drainage
- They asked whether there could be a cap on the number of allotments holders from outside the village
- They asked that the Parish Council took a more active role to ensure that the interests of the village were taken into account
- They asked that facilities on the site were properly maintained and secured

Councillor Gibbons said that there would be more interest when the allotments were up and running. The National Trust wanted twenty people to make the allotments viable. At present there were twenty two people interested in an allotment plot with only six to seven people from outside the village. The Parish Council had a statutory duty to attempt to provide allotments. Most people were interested in half plots. The National Trust was interested in planting fruit trees in the field. They had several ideas for the site including no greenhouses and one large shed divided into secure units. Councillor Gibbons said that he would ask the National Trust to reassure residents and answer the concerns raised. Councillor Gartside said that the Parish Council would have a member on the allotment association. The Parish Council would be an independent arbiter between the allotment association and the National Trust. The constitution of the allotment society would contain rules and clauses that the allotment holders would be required to adhere to.

Councillor Gartside said that the agenda item relating to the Royal Garden Party was no longer relevant as he was unable to attend due to the ill health of his wife.

**759/05 TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2011**

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

**759/05.2** **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2011 be approved as a true record and be duly signed.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

**760/05 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2011**

It was proposed by Cllr Barlow seconded by Cllr Miss King and

**760/05.2** **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2011 be approved as a true record and be duly signed.

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

**761/05 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Councillor Gibbons said that the speed visor was still not working.

**762/05 TO RECEIVE THE INDEPENDENT INTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT AND CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Councillor Gibbons said that the level of reserves held by the Council had increased due to the monies allocated to the graveyard CPO. At the Office & Finance Group meeting it was agreed to recommend that the Fidelity Guarantee cover be increased in line with the internal auditor's recommendations.

It was proposed by Cllr Gibbons seconded by Cllr Gartside and

**762/05.2 RESOLVED** that the independent internal auditor's report is received and that the Fidelity Guarantee insurance cover be increased £86,000.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

**763/05 TO APPROVE THE COUNCIL'S INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS**

It was proposed by Cllr Gartside seconded by Cllr Gibbons and

**763/05.2 RESOLVED** that the Council's insurance arrangements are approved.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

**764/05 TO APPROVE THE RE-IMBURSEMENT OF THE CARWINION TRUST FOR ROYAL WEDDING EXPENDITURE – MINUTE 664/05.3 DATED 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2011**

It was agreed that this item will be deferred until the next meeting of this Council.

**765/05 TO APPROVE THE GRANT PAYMENT TO LOCAL ORGANISATION FOR 2011/12**

A list of recommendations from the office and finance committee was circulated to members.

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| Mawnan WI                              | £35   |
| Mawnan Methodist Church                | £200  |
| Mawnan Wives                           | £100  |
| Mawnan Christmas Lights                | £150  |
| Mawnan Pre-School/Playgroup            | £100  |
| Mawnan Old Cornwall Society            | £100  |
| Mawnan PCC – Churchyard maintenance    | £250  |
| Mawnan PCC - Newsletter                | £200  |
| Helford River Children's Sailing Trust | £200  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Mawnan Smith Brownies  | £120  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Mawnan Guide Unit      | £0  |
| Mawnan Panto Group                     | £150  |
| The Old Smithy Workshops               | Planters donated from Carwinion Playing Field |

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

**765/05.2**                    **RESOLVED** that the above recommendations from the Office and Finance Committee for grants to local organisations are approved.

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

**766/05** **TO CONSIDER A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE STOPPING UP ORDER RECEIVED BY CORNWALL COUNCIL FOR LAND AT LOWER TREROSE, MAWNAN SMITH**

Councillor Gartside said that he had visited the site with the Clerk. The stopping up order was for a small section of drive that the occupants had paved. Cornwall Council said that the area in question was not an essential part of the highway and wouldn't impede on anyone. Councillor Hatton said that he had visited the neighbours. The order would formalise an area at Lower Trerose that the occupants had maintained for a period of time.

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

**766/05.2**                    **RESOLVED** that there are no objections to the stopping up order.

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

**767/05** **TO APPROVE CHANGING THE BUDGETING FOR THE JUNIOR PLAYING FIELD**

Councillor Gartside said that the land at the Junior Playing Field was owned by the Parish Council and the equipment was owned by the Trust. He suggested that the budget for the general grounds maintenance be retained by the Council rather than reducing the annual grant given to the Trust.

It was proposed by Cllr Gartside seconded by Cllr Gibbons and

**767/05.2**                    **RESOLVED** that the budget and responsibility for general maintenance of the Junior Playing Field is retained by the Parish Council.

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

**768/05** **TO CONSIDER PURCHASING A TEEN SHELTER FOR THE JUNIOR PLAYING FIELD**

Councillor Gartside said that there were grants available from Sita. There were nowhere for teenagers to go in the village; there used to be a small shed that they congregated in. Members were concerned that a shelter could become a focus for antisocial behaviour and may create a noise disturbance to neighbouring properties. Councillor Hatton said that there was a recreational hut in Constantine that had no side walls. Members discussed the size of the field, the possible size of the shelter and policing behaviour in the area. It was agreed that this item be deferred until the next meeting and that the police are asked for their views.

**769/05 TO DISCUSS ISSUES RAISED AT THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND AGREE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS**

- **Queens Diamond Jubilee and Olympics celebratory events** – It was agreed that Councillor Gartside would contact the committee who organised the Royal Wedding celebrations and ask if they would be prepared to organise the above mentioned celebrations events in 2012.
- **Re-instating the cherry trees at the entrance to the village** – the land and the trees were privately owned and there was no further action the Council could take.
- **Footpath from Carlidnack to Maenporth** – Councillor Mrs Loomes said that she had walked the path recently. The path was always wet exceptionally so in the winter months. A path had been created by walkers trying to avoid the mud. Previously there had been timber planks laid across the mud. There were circular concrete stones at Trebah for people to walk on. There were no funds available from Cornwall Council. It was agreed that other members would look at the footpath and possible solutions be discussed at a future meeting of this Council.
- **20mph speed limit through village** – the Council would not implement a 20mph speed limit through the village as there were no statistics to support it. There may be an opportunity to implement other methods of speed control. The police were unable to enforce speeds below 30mph. Councillor Hatton said that he would ask Cornwall Council whether a 20mph speed limit could be placed on the roads close to the school during entry and exit times.
- **Irresponsible dog owners** – it was suggested that the dog warden was contacted and that the problems were highlighted.
- **Waste bin at Durgan** – the National Trust cleared the dog bin. There was a lot of rubbish left around the bin on Mondays. It was suggested that a sign was erected asking people to take their rubbish home. The closest post code to the bin was TR11 5JR. It was agreed that the Clerk writes to Cornwall Council requesting that the bin is emptied and the area cleared on a Monday morning.

**770/05 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE ALLOTMENTS**

Councillor Gibbons said that all paperwork had been given to Mr Trotman to lead the project forward with Mr Donohue from the National Trust. Mr Hayes had offered assistance.

**771/05 TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT VALUER SERVICES ON THE VALUATION OF THE LAND DESIGNATED FOR THE PARISH GRAVEYARD**

Councillor Gartside spoke to the report circulated to members. The compensations would need to be looked into.

The CPO had been refused by the Secretary of State due to a technical error on behalf of our legal representatives. The CPO would go ahead but would be delayed.

It was proposed by Cllr Gartside seconded by Cllr Barlow and

**771/05.2**

**RESOLVED** to send a letter to Cornwall Council legal services stating that we are aware an error has been made and that this Council would not expect to be invoiced for correcting the error made by the legal representatives.

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

It was proposed by Cllr Gartside seconded by Cllr Miss King and

**771/05.3** **RESOLVED** that the figures and valuation are received from the District Valuer and that this Council expects to pay between £15,000 and £16,500 on completion of the CPO

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

**772/05 TO RECEIVE A REPORT OF THE MEETING AT PENWARNE FARM WITH NICOLA STINSON AND THE ENFORCEMENT TEAM**

Councillor Gartside said that a constructive meeting was held between Mr Webster, Mrs Stinson and an enforcement officer. Mr Webster was no longer a part of Talking2Minds; he was running a charity project himself called the Penwarne Treatment Centre. A course had been booked for August. It was agreed that the enforcement order would be on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2011 when the two caravans would have to be removed. The caravans could be placed in the farmyard where they would be out of view. The charity would like to continue to work from Penwarne. The property owner had been co-operative and had offered a barn for use as a classroom for the charity work. The barn currently had planning permission for holiday accommodation; the owner would apply for change of use. There had been no previous problems with the charity operating from the site. The charity was proactive and wanted to engage with the Parish Council and the local community.

**773/05 CORRESPONDENCE**

A list of correspondence was circulated to members. There were no emails included on the list due to internet issues in the village. The Clerk said that she would circulate a list when the system was up and running again.

**774/05 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**a) To Note Planning Decisions received from the Planning Authority**

Cllr Gartside spoke to the report circulated to members. He said that the following planning decisions had been received:

- PA11/03222 – Mr P Waterfield, Tregarne House, Mawnan Smith – Listed building consent for re-roofing and repairing roof timbers – APPROVED
- PA11/01940 – Mr R James, 2 Coomb Pines, Helford Passage – Removal of Conditions 9 and 10 attached to 81/1095/F dated 4 February 1982 relating to holiday use and time limit – CONDITIONAL PERMISSION
- PA11/00675 – Bryn Kelyn, Carlidnack Road, Mawnan Smith – Erection of a single storey extension – CONDITIONAL PERMISSION
- PA11/01178 – Trebah Manor, Trebah, Helford Passage – Construction of extension at first floor level, change of use of office at ground floor level from B1(Office) to incidental residential accommodation to first floor flat, replacement door with feature canopy and associated works – APPROVED
- PA11/00674 – Higher Tregarne, Mawnan Smith – Ground mounted solar (photovoltaic) array with agriculture – APPROVED

- PA10/06479 – Mr & Mrs S Sawyer, Penwarne Manor, Penwarne, Mawnan Smith- Listed building consent for internal alterations to bathrooms and bedroom – APPROVED
- PA11/02205 – Robinswood, Maenporth Road, Maenporth – Erection of a gable roof and porch to side elevation, slate hanging to dormer to match roof tiles, replacement windows, patio door to replace existing window, velux windows to roof and other minor works – APPROVED
- PA11/01858 – Mr G Holloway, Bar House, Bar Road, Helford Passage Hill, Mawnan Smith – Felling of eucalyptus, sitka pine & chaemcyparis – CONSENT GRANTED
- PA11/00021 – Mr J McEwan, Hedgerows, Maenporth Road, Maenporth – Construction of two storey extension & associated works to incorporate balcony – CONDITIONAL PERMISSION
- PA11/02027 – Merowe, Carlidnack Lane, Mawnan Smith – First floor extension and alterations to dwelling –CONDITIONAL PERMISSION
- PA11/01742 – Mr R James, 2 Coomb Pines, Helford Passage, First floor extension and alterations to dwelling – CONDITIONAL PERMISSION
- PA11/01419 – Mr R Taylor, Heyle, Helford Passage – Felling of one Monterey Cyprus tree – CONSENT GRANTED
- PA11/01599 – Smash Developments, Land at Castle View Park, Mawnan Smith – Erection of temporary storage shed for use during construction – APPROVED

The Clerk said that notice of a Tree Preservation Order for The Pines, Bar Road had been received

**b) To Note Planning Enforcement Complaints received by the Planning Authority**

The Red Lion, Mawnan Smith – the enforcement case had been re-opened. This Council had written to the brewery that owned the building.

**c) To note any pre-application meetings held since the last meeting of this Council**

There had been an informal pre-application meeting regarding land adjacent to Trevornack, Mawnan Smith. The proposed application contravened PPS3 and was outside the building boundary. The land owner was advised to consult Cornwall Council planning officers.

**d) To Consider Planning Applications Received From Cornwall Council**

**i) PA11/03546 – Mr S Drew, Chy An Scol, Carwinion Road, Mawnan Smith – Construction of replacement extensions , alterations & associated works to incorporate installation of solar panels.**

It was proposed by Cllr Gartside seconded by Cllr Gibbons and

**774/05.2**                      **RESOLVED**    No Objections

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

**ii) PA11/03548 – Mr S Drew, Chy An Scol, Carwinion Road, Mawnan Smith – Listed building consent in respect of construction of replacement extensions , alterations & associated works to incorporate installation of solar panels.**

It was proposed by Cllr Gartside seconded by Cllr Gibbons and

**774/05.3**                    **RESOLVED** No Objections

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

#### **775/05 FINANCE AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

##### **a) Approval and Payment of Accounts**

It was proposed by Cllr Gibbons, seconded by Cllr Barlow and

**775/05.2**                    **RESOLVED** that accounts totalling **£5370.97** be approved for payment in June 2011 and duly signed and that the payment to Cornwall Council for legal fees be clarified and approved by the Chairman prior to being sent.

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

It was proposed by Cllr Gartside, seconded by Cllr Gibbons and

**775/05.3**                    **RESOLVED** that the invoice to Cornwall Council is paid providing it is not for amending their errors on the CPO.

On a vote being taken the matter was approve unanimously.

#### **776/05 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES**

Councillor Mrs Loomes reported that she met with Councillor Gartside, two representatives from Cornwall Council and Mr Slater from the South West Coast Paths. They walked the coast path from Maenporth to Helford Passage to assess the work required. It was hoped that the work would be completed with match funding between this Council, Cornwall Council and European funds. Councillor Gartside said that the work would improve the path.

#### **777/05 REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL WARD MEMBER**

Cllr Hatton reported that:

- The work was scheduled to start on the path at Durgan on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2011 subject to the weather and technical problems.
- There had been report of children running into the road at Helford Passage. Children must be supervised when entering and exiting the beach. It was noted that there were tables and chairs obstructing the flow of traffic on the road.
- Cornwall Council planning meeting in Penzance – the speakers were excellent; he was disappointed with the outcome. The planning officers had recommended approval even though the applications had been refused and upheld in the past. There would be an ombudsmen appeal. Councillor Gibbons felt that the Chairman should have supported the local councillors with his casting vote rather than the officer's recommendation.



- TPO, The Pines, Bar Road – the map identified every single tree on the site. Concerns had been raised that there were too many applications for the removal of trees. He urged members of the Council to look at the overall erosion of natural impact when considering applications for tree works.
- Solar Farms – the application at Crill had been withdrawn due to the stance of the Parish Council and local community. Thirty one applications had been received by Cornwall Council and had all been approved. There were six sites under construction. He had seen one field of solar panels and it looked similar to the fields of polythene for potatoes. Some of the solar panel companies were challenging the governments review of the feed-in tariffs. Solar farms that were connected to the national grid by August 2011 would receive the original tariff and after that they would receive a reduced tariff up until April 2012. There were no further applications pending consideration.

**778/05 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of Mawnan Parish Council will be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2011, commencing at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

**779/05 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.13pm.

Signed: ..... 21<sup>st</sup> July 2011  
Chairman