



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY JUNE 17TH, 2004 IN THE MEMORIAL HALL

PRESENT : Cllr D Gartside (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs M Briars, M Dearnley, N Gilmore, C Hibbert, D O'Dell, R Sadler, R South,

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA (this item will not exceed 10 minutes)

There were no comments from the public in items on the Agenda

28/04) TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Taylor who was absent from the parish.

29/04) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) In Items on the Agenda

Item 8 a) v PA04/00736/F Cllr M Dearnley Personal Friend

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

There was no declaration of gifts of a value of more than £25.

30/04) TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr South, seconded by Cllr Hibbert and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting of May 20th, 2004 be accepted as a true record and duly signed.

31/04) TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA (for information only.)

a) Parish Plan

The Clerk advised that a meeting had been arranged for Tuesday June 29th, 2004 in Memorial Hall at 7.30pm. She had written to all those who have previously shown an interest in being involved on the Steering Group and had placed an advert on notice board.

b) Maenporth Beach

The Clerk advised that she had received a letter from Falmouth T C confirming that Carrick will undertake to renew the chain and make a key available to the Clerk as well as the Beach Café Manager

c) Autumn Fayre

The Organising Committee were grateful for the Council's offer of help and have asked the Council to consider covering the cost of either the insurance for the event or the portable toilets. This item will be on the Agenda when detailed costs are available. The Committee would also appreciate any volunteers to act as stewards on the day.

The Clerk also suggested that the Council consider taking a stall at the Show to promote the consultation of the parish plan.

32/04) AGENDA ITEMS

a) Representatives to outside bodies and Portfolio holders – to complete nominations deferred from Annual Meeting Parish Plan

The Council filled the vacancies outstanding from the Annual Parish Meeting and a full schedule of Representatives to Outside Bodies and Portfolio Holders is attached to these Minutes as Appendix 1.

b) Quality Status

The Clerk reported that the first action will be to circulate the approved Annual Report to all houses in the parish. A computer disc of all addresses in the Parish was available from Kerrier D C at a cost of £61, and she felt that this would allow the Council to have a permanent record of the addresses in the Parish.

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

RESOLVED that the Council purchase a mailing list from Kerrier D C at a cost of £61.

c) Parish Council Office and administration

The Chairman explained that he was concerned over the workload of the Clerk and the increasing amount of work involved in the administration of the parish council. He also felt that the Council needed to consider its own profile in the parish especially as it was considering applying for Quality Status. He asked the Council to commence a consultation process to identify the work of the office of Clerk and how best to provide administration and public access to the work of the council in the parish.

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

RESOLVED that a committee of the full council be established to consider the workload of the proper officer and how best to provide proper support and public access to the council in Mawnan Smith.

d) Traffic Calming

Cllr South advised that a post had now been erected and that the speed visor would shortly be installed to measure the traffic leaving the village. The proposed traffic calming measures will be carried out during the school holidays and it was hoped that a full evaluation of the alterations would be carried out by the County Council in the autumn to see whether other measures needed to be taken.

e) Tree planting

Cllr South confirmed that the proposed donor was happy with the proposal to plant trees at Nansidwell Corner, and Cllr Sadler agreed to approach the landowner to seek his permission.

f) Mawnan in Bloom

The Chairman explained that the Council had included an amount of £500 in the budget towards planting bulbs, plants etc. The Council now needed to identify suitable areas and move the project forward. After some discussion it was agreed that this item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting and that in the meantime members of the council and the public were asked to make any suggestions to the Clerk. It was acknowledged that the success of the planting was dependent on watering and aftercare and the Council agreed that the planting would not be complete for summer 2004.

g) Public toilets

It was resolved that under the 1960 Public Admission to Meetings Act, this item would be dealt with in private session at the end of the meeting.

33/04) CORRESPONDENCE

A schedule of correspondence received was circulated and is attached to these Minutes as a record.

It was noted that a Financial Awareness Training Event was being held in Bodmin on July 9th, at a cost of £35 per delegate and it was agreed that Mrs P Kirkham, Internal Auditor, should attend on behalf of the Council.

34/04) REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

a) County Council

Cllr Hatton reported on the following items :

- PFI Funding – Mawnan School had been successful in their bid under this scheme and building work would begin during the school holidays for an extension to the school buildings.
- Strategy for the Cornish Language – The County Council are developing a strategy under a European Charter for regional minority languages. It is hoped that this will give encouragement and support to the language but it will not have any affect on the school curriculum.
- Knotweed – this is now a major problem in the county which is coming to the end of its first year of trying to control the spread naturally. It is very expensive to treat this problem and the public are asked to report any new areas of knotweed in the parish.

b) District Council

Cllr Sadler and Cllr Hatton reported on the following items :

- Anna Maria Creek – the houseboat had now gone only to be replaced by another craft which had been reported to the Enforcement Department.
- Enforcement Procedures at District Council – Kerrier D C is referring minor breaches in planning control to local ward members for their initial comments. It is hoped that this will allow officers to concentrate on the more serious breaches. However, ward members are required to respond within 7 days and this may mean that this will often fall outside of the normal cycle of parish council meetings.
- Planning at Castle View Park – this application had once again been deferred by the Planning Committee who had also advised that this was likely to be the last deferral.
- Tetra Masts – Kerrier D C were seeking legal advice on the planning decision taken to refuse permission for masts at Porthleven, St Keverne and Maenporth. It was important that the District Council get its stance correct it will not be effective if the application goes to appeal. Currently the land at Maenporth is owned by the County Council who has withdrawn from negotiations with MMO2 because of the Kerrier D C response. otherwise
- Comprehensive Performance Assessment – This will begin on July 12th, 2004 and Cllr Sadler was hopeful that Kerrier will achieve a good result.
- Radon Survey – some houses had been identified as having a high reading and Kerrier were organising some information workshops for those affected. As Kerrier D C holds the details of all survey results, Cllr South asked that Kerrier design a policy for access to this information during property searches etc.

35/04) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) To Consider Planning Applications Received From The District Authority

- PA04/00757/F Mr Lamotte & Mr Brass, Bourne Place, Budock Vean, Mawnan Smith – Construction of a swimming pool.** As this is a large application it was agreed to hold a site meeting.
- PA04/773/F Mr & Mrs G Rose, Treworgan, Maenporth Road, Mawnan Smith – Installation of a new window NO OBJECTIONS**
- PA04/00728/F Mr & Mrs Bailey, Flat 5, The Moorings, Helford Passage – Installation of double doors, balcony with balustrade, erection of a canopy over entrance and installation of three roof lights.** As the site will be visible from the river, it was agreed to hold a site meeting.
- PA04/00714/F Mr & Mrs Jenkins, Bareppa Farmhouse, Mawnan Smith – Conversion of outbuildings to form a dwelling.** The Council had no objection in principal to the application but asked that a condition be placed on the application to ensure that the new dwelling remained part of the property and c could not be sold of separately.
- PA04/00736/F Mr & Mrs Rowe, Carwinion Lodge, Carwinion Road, Mawnan Smith – Erection of a porch extension to replace existing conservatory**

Cllr Dearnley declared an interest and took no part in the debate

NO OBJECTIONS

- Mawnan Self Build Group – Castle View Park, Mawnan Smith – Erection of 6 local need dwellings – amended plans.** The Council

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recognised that the amendments were the result of a new survey of the land. Members did not feel that the amended plans altered any of the Council's previous comments and stood by its original response.

Cllr Sadler asked that it be minuted that he took no part in the debate or decision of the Council.

b) To Note Planning Decisions of the Planning Authority

- i) PA04/00520/F Mr & Mrs Biggs, Tarmar, Goldmartin Close, Mawnan Smith – Erection of a conservatory extension to dwelling APPROVED
- ii) PA03/01512/F Mr A Dugdale, The Studio, Mawnan Smith – Erection of a dwelling APPROVED

36/04) FINANCE AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

A schedule of invoices for payment was circulated. It was proposed by Cllr Sadler, seconded by Cllr South and

RESOLVED that cheques totalling £2061.79 be approved for payment and duly signed.

37/04) REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

a) Police

P C Whyte reported that there had been 25 calls to the police during the past month including calls relating to parking at Durgan, vandalism at the Parish Church and marine thefts. An arrest had been after the events at the church and he had also been distributing parking notices to offending vehicles at Durgan. There will be an increased police presence in the area but P C Whyte also asked whether improvements could be made to the signs in the passing places to highlight the parking restrictions. This would assist in any future prosecutions. Cllr South agreed to discuss this matter with the Highways Department of Cornwall County Council.

b) Footpaths

The Clerk confirmed that she had invited Mr Dan Thomas, Area Footpaths Officer, to visit the parish and look at a number of path issues including the resurfacing of path no. 16 at Field Place. The Council expressed their thanks to the Chairman who had progressed the repair and renewal of the Cornish hedge in the Junior Playing Field which was now nearing completion.

38/04) DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council will be held on July 15th, 2004 starting at 7.30pm.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- Mawnan In Bloom – representatives of the Garden Club might be willing to help in the planting of hanging baskets and planters. The Club was already planning to plant daffodil bulbs in the village in the Autumn. It was agreed that the Clerk should

write to the Secretary of the Garden Club asking for the Committee's suggestions and that the item be placed on the Agenda for the Council's meeting in September.

- Junior Playing Field Improvements – The trustees were congratulated on the improvements in the Junior Playing Field and a request was made for some small football goal posts to be installed. The Chairman confirmed that he was waiting for a second tranche of funding and noted this request.
- Public Toilets – concerns were expressed about the lack of progress in re-opening the public toilets. The Chairman confirmed that the Council was aware of the problems which would be discussed in private session at the end of the meeting.
- Affordable Housing Application at Castle View Park – concerns were again expressed on the ridge heights of the proposed new dwellings and the impact of the access road on neighbouring properties. The Chairman confirmed that the Council's response to the amended design had been to re-iterate its previous comments about lowering the roof heights and reducing the impact of the road on existing properties.

The Chairman closed the public part of the meeting and it was resolved that under the 1960 Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

39/04) Public Toilets

It was agreed that the Council write to the Contractor asking that the toilets be opened immediately and that a meeting be arranged to establish a new contract and schedule of works.

The Clerk was instructed to obtain a full set of keys to the toilets from Kerrier District Council.

Signed : Date :

Chairman