



DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, 17th JULY 2008 IN THE MEMORIAL HALL

PRESENT : Cllr Gartside (Chairman), Dearnley, Gibbons, Gilmore, Mrs Loomes and Sadler.

426/05 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from members of the public, on items on the agenda.

427/05 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Barlow, Moyle & Odell.

428/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) In Items on the Agenda

Cllr Gilmore declared a personal, but not prejudicial, interest in agenda items 434/05 (c) (i) and (iii), planning applications in respect of Loren House and Rosemullion Farm. He also declared a prejudicial interest in 434/05 (c) (iv), the planning application in respect of Penwarne House. He stated that he did not intend making a personal statement on that matter prior to withdrawing from the meeting.

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

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

429/05 TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a) Meeting of Parish Council, 19th June 2008

It was proposed by Cllr Dearnley, seconded by Cllr Mrs Loomes and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th June 2008 be approved as a true record and be duly signed.

430/05 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

a) Speed Visor for Sampys Hill

The Clerk reported that Ms Julia Goldsworthy MP had written to County Highways about this matter, and that a reply had been received, confirming that the planned Speed Visor would go ahead.

b) Letter from Helford River Association to Kerrier DC re Anna Maria Creek

The Clerk stated that, following minor changes, he had countersigned the Helford River Association's letter on behalf of the Parish Council.

c) Mobile Skateboard Park

The Clerk stated that the car park surface at Carwinion Playing Field had been examined by Kerrier DC's Outreach team, and found unsuitable. Mawnan School playground had been suggested as an alternative venue but, although the Head was in favour of its use, as a PFI school he had to consult the company which maintained the playground. Unfortunately, they would not agree to this use.

d) Insurance Update

The Clerk stated that he had checked with the council's insurer and that :-

- The Millennium Cross was covered for "All Risks", which included graffiti damage, with no excess.
- The excess of the first 10% of compensation payments, in the Libel and Slander section could not be removed.

e) Cutting of Grass Verges

The Chairman thanked councillors and members of the public who had contacted County Highways about this matter, which had now been resolved.

f) New Footpaths Guide

Cllr Dearnley reported that it was unlikely that this would be ready by the end of July, and that August was more likely.

g) Proposed number of members of the Unitary Council for Cornwall

The Clerk stated that he had written to the "One Cornwall" team, stating Mawnan's preference for 130 members, but that the team's latest proposal was for 123 members. If accepted by the Boundary Commission, this would result in Mawnan, Budock and Constantine forming a new ward.

h) Proposed date for Parish Council elections

The Clerk stated that he had written to the "One Cornwall" team, stating Mawnan's preference for June 2009. He had since been informed that the majority of Town and Parish Councils had favoured 2013, as in the original Implementation Order, so this would remain the proposed date.

431/05 AGENDA ITEMS

a) Status Report – Prospective CPO for extension to Graveyard at Mawnan Church

The Chairman stated that the Planning Application had been submitted to Kerrier DC. Thanks were expressed to Cllr Gilmore for doing this. The Clerk had been assured by the National Trust that all the necessary research had taken place, and that the matter would be discussed within the next 10 days. It looked likely, therefore, that progress would now be made on this matter.

b) To consider whether the council should formally support Mathew Taylor MP's campaign for a Public Enquiry into the planned waste incinerator at St Dennis

The Clerk read Matthew Taylor's draft letter. Members recognised that there was a need to make a strategic decision in respect of the disposal of waste in Cornwall, but felt that the proposed waste incinerator should only be agreed as a result of a public enquiry.

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

RESOLVED that the Clerk write a letter of support to Matthew Taylor MP, on behalf of the council.

c) To consider the council's view on Cornwall County Council's Landscape Character Study

The Clerk summarised the letter, and the fact that the council had until the end of September 2008 to respond. It was agreed that members should examine the website, and that this matter be discussed further at the September council meeting.

d) To consider if the council wishes to respond to a South West Lifelong Learning Network questionnaire from the University of Plymouth

The Clerk read the accompanying letter, and stated that he had a questionnaire for each council member. Individual councillors were invited to respond, and return completed questionnaires to the Clerk.

432/05 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported on correspondence received, a schedule of which is attached to the minutes as a record.

433/05 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

a) District Council

Cllr Sadler reported on the following matters :-

- The planning application in respect of Sunrise, Trelawney Close, Maenporth had been discussed at that week's meeting of the Kerrier Planning Committee, which had decided to refuse it. This was against officer recommendation, and still could be taken to appeal.
- The final civic service of Kerrier DC had been held at St Keverne the previous Sunday, and had been very well attended.
- Constantine Parish Council was that evening debating the issue of the lack of Planning Enforcement action at Anna Maria Creek.
- Penwith District Council had voted to support the latest proposal from the "One Cornwall" team, for 123 members of the Unitary Council, and it was likely that other districts would do the same.

b) County Council

C Cllr Hatton reported that :-

- The first edition of a "One Cornwall" newspaper was about to be distributed to all households within the county.
- There had recently been several garage and outbuilding thefts in local villages, and residents were reminded to ensure that buildings were locked.
- Civilian Parking Enforcement – This was now being enforced more rigorously, and members and residents were informed that, in the Falmouth area, there was currently a 50% discount available for prompt payment of parking fines.
- Post Office closures – All proposals within Cornwall were being debated by the County Council the following day. A meeting was due to be held in Budock Water, to oppose the closure of its Post Office the following Sunday, 20th July 2008.
- Speed Visor – Although the Budock scheme had been rejected, he had challenged the situation.

434/05 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) To Note Planning Decisions received from the Planning Authority

The Clerk reported on decisions received, details of which are attached to the minutes as a record.

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

The Clerk reported on decisions received, details of which are attached to the minutes as a record.

c) To Consider Planning Applications Received From the District Authority

- i) **PA08/01055/F – Mrs C Hill, Loren House, Budock Vean, Mawnan Smith – Loft conversion and extension to dwelling**

OBSERVATIONS : No objections.

- ii) **PA08/01064/TPO – Mr T Adams, The Nest, Maenporth – Topping, lopping and felling of various trees**

The Clerk stated that he had visited the site with Cllr Moyle, and that the trees in question were either diseased or small/weak. None were at the front of the site, and their lopping or removal would encourage the healthy growth of remaining mature specimens.

OBSERVATIONS : No objections.

- iii) **PA08/01068/F – Mr A Benny, Rosemullion Farm, Old Church Road, Mawnan Smith – Conversion of redundant barns to form three dwellings, and installation of a treatment plant**

Cllr Sadler took no part in the discussion of this item.

The applicant was present, so Standing Orders were suspended to allow him to address the council. Planning permission had already been granted to convert the barns to holiday letting accommodation. However, in the present economic climate, there were concerns that holiday rentals might not fund the cost of conversion, so the current application was for full residential use. A full financial appraisal had been included within the application. Standing orders were reinstated.

OBSERVATIONS : No objections.

- iv) **PA08/01146/LBC – Mr & Mrs S Sawyer, Penwarne House, Mawnan Smith – Listed Building Consent for the creation of an internal doorway**

Having declared a prejudicial interest in this item, Cllr Gilmore left the room for the duration of its discussion.

OBSERVATIONS : No objections.

435/05 FINANCE AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

a) Payment of Accounts

It was proposed by Cllr Dearnley seconded by Cllr Gibbons and

RESOLVED that the payment of an account for **£167.50**, representing a cheque already raised and signed for the planning application fee for the graveyard extension, be ratified.

It was proposed by Cllr Dearnley seconded by Cllr Gibbons and

RESOLVED that accounts totalling **£1,992.30** be approved for payment and duly signed. A schedule of these is attached to the minutes as a record.

436/05 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

a) Footpaths

Cllr Mrs Loomes reported on the continuing problems of slurry on Footpaths 12 and 17 and also problems of bramble growth on Footpath 12. The Clerk was asked to organise a meeting with County Farms concerning the slurry, and check the footpaths maintenance contract in respect of Footpath 17 and organise for it to be cut.

The Mawnan entrance to Maenporth Beach was also overgrown, and the sign and chain appeared to have been vandalised. The Clerk was asked to arrange for the footpaths contractor and handyman to address these problems.

b) Junior Playing Field Trust

Cllr Gartside reported that there had been further problems with dog excrement, which must be caused by people opening up a gate to let dogs in. He also reported that weed killer was now being used around the wooden equipment supports, rather than strimming.

c) Police Report

The council noted that no Police Report had been received, and that there had been no apologies for non-attendance.

437/05 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Mawnan Parish Council would be held on Thursday, 18th September 2008, commencing at 7.30pm, in the Memorial Hall.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

a) Dog Bins

It was reported that some dog bins had still not been repaired/replaced. The Clerk was asked to remind Kerrier DC that these had now been outstanding for over a year.

b) Planning Appeal in respect of Bosulla, Budock Vean Lane

A representative of the Helford River Association stated, as this application had been refused by Kerrier DC's Planning Committee, against planning officer recommendation, that the current appeal was being handled by the District Council without any officer assistance. The Clerk agreed to seek clarification from Kerrier DC's Planning Department.

Signed : 18th September 2008
Chairman