



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2005, IN THE MEMORIAL HALL

PRESENT: Cllr D Gartside (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs M Briars, M Dearnley, N Gilmore, R Sadler, R South, C Stimson, (L Tuffery – Minutes)

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

Mrs Gill Glover asked if it would be possible to hang Christmas lights onto the Macrocarpus tree providing it was still there during the Christmas period. The Chairman asked L Tuffery to contact Oliver Bennett to arrange a meeting to find out in detail the future of the tree.

82/05 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs D O'Dell, C Hibbert, P Moyle, Clerk Sarah Mason and Mrs A Loomes.

83/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) In Items on the Agenda

Cllr Mrs M Briars and Cllr R Sadler both declared a personal interest in Planning, item iii – Mr M Sadler.

Cllr N Gilmore declared a personal interest in Planning, item iv – Mrs P Spread.

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

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

84/05 TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr M Dearnley and seconded by Cllr R South and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the previous meeting be approved as a true record and duly signed.

85/05 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA (for information only.)

a. County Council Footpaths Event - Cllr M Briars reported that she was unable to attend the footpaths meeting held at County Hall as mentioned in item 80/05b in the previous minutes.

b. Public Toilets

Upgrading Facilities - Cllr M Dearnley had spoken to Phil Walsh at Kerrier regarding the public toilets. The new floor was going to be put down the following week and a survey of the drains would be carried out and a video recording issued to the Council. Subject to completion of the work the Council agreed that it would be happy to take over maintenance of the toilets.

Spare Key - The Chairman asked if anyone had any objections to Sylvia King holding a spare key to the toilets. A recent incident of a little girl having her dog locked in the toilets and no access, (as the key was held in the parish office) until 9.00am proved a need for another key to be accessible in such emergencies. There were no objections and the Chairman thanked Sylvia King for kindly offering to be a key holder.

- c. Footpaths – Junior Playing Field -The Chairman asked L Tuffery what the situation was with Footpath 16, the path adjacent to the Junior Playing Fields. L Tuffery reported that the quotations were still with Dan Thomas, Cornwall County Council, who was obtaining a quotation from Cormac for comparison; telephone messages had been left for Dan Thomas for a decision, but had not been returned. The Chairman asked L Tuffery to try and contact him again for a reply.
- d. Re-cycling Scheme - Cllr R Sadler spoke to Phil Walsh of Kerrier District Council in connection with a re-cycling scheme for clear plastics within the village. Cllr Sadler said that supplying a skip was a possibility if someone from the village was prepared to stand over the skip during the period of time that the skip was present. The Council felt that this would not be a problem and asked Cllr R Sadler to pursue the matter with Phil Walsh.
- e. Kerrier District Council's Local Development Framework - Cllr N Gilmore reported that he had read Kerrier District Council's first draft of The Local Development Framework; he reported that it was easy to read and suggested that all the Councillors look at it prior to the Council giving their response. Anyone wishing to do so could get a copy from himself or the Parish Office. The response from the Council would be decided at the December meeting; item to go on the Agenda.

86/05 AGENDA ITEMS

a) Kerrier Liveability Grant Application – Macrocarpus Tree

Cllr South reported that Kerrier's Liveability Grant had to be used for its original purpose of replacing the Macrocarpus Tree. Unfortunately, due to the site not being suitable for a replacement tree/s he recommended that the Council withdraw the Liveability Grant application. It was proposed by Cllr R South, seconded by Cllr C Stimson and

RESOLVED that Cllr South formally withdraws Mawnan Parish Council's application for a grant from Kerrier's Liveability Fund.

b) Home Front Recall – VE/VJ Day Celebrations

The Chairman reported that the celebrations had taken place. The Children's Party and the Barn Dance had been superb and very well attended. The 12-18 year old disco had been very disappointing with only a few attending. The Sing Along, represented a hall street scene from the war and was fantastic. The members of the parish who had attended the events had enjoyed themselves. The Chairman thanked the people who had kindly given up their spare time and who had worked extremely hard organising the events.

The Chairman was happy to report that expenditure had been in-line with what had been expected. (Copy of the budget is attached for a record).

c) Report from Inspector Bolt – Helston Police Station

The Chairman greeted Inspector Bolt on his arrival to the meeting and invited him to give his report to the Council and Public.

Inspector Bolt informed all present that he was still waiting for the start date for the replacement of P C Whyte, he hoped it would be soon. He said that there had only been one reported crime since the previous meeting, which was an assault, with a fixed penalty notice issued. There had been 14 telephone calls.

Richard South said that P C Treloar had been in the village with a radar gun which had worked very well in reducing the speed of the traffic. Inspector Bolt reported that Mawnan Smith was on the list of villages to be targeted with the radar gun on a regular basis.

The Chairman thanked Inspector Bolt for his report.

d) Bus Shelter – to consider ownership and responsibility for Maintenance

The Council were still unsure about the ownership of the bus shelter. The Chairman called standing orders to speak to the public. Members of the parish who were present were unable to give any information other than they thought 1953 would be a good year to research. The Chairman closed standing orders and asked Louise Tuffery to make further enquiries, perhaps going into the archives at County Hall.

e) Budget 2006/7 – progress report by Cllr Dearnley

Cllr Dearnley reported on the progress of the budget.

The Office and Finance Committee were due to meet during the following fortnight to set out next year's budget. There were several items that the Council had set money aside for which had to date not been used, for example the circulation of the Annual Report. Cllr Dearnley felt that the Council were very good at raising money, but it was important that money budgeted for should be spent.

The Chairman said the Annual Report should be circulated as soon as possible.

f) Best Kept Village Competition – report by Cllr Stimson

Cllr Stimson reported that a meeting had been held to discuss ‘The Best Kept Village’ competition organised by the County. The meeting had been well attended and included residents, representatives of local businesses and the school. All present were very enthusiastic about tidying up the village, but not as enthusiastic about the floral side of the competition. Cllr Stimson was very pleased to have received strong support from the local village organisations.

Another meeting had been organised for 11th January 2006 to receive feedback from the groups. One idea Cllr Stimson had had to encourage participation was to send out a flyer to members of the parish giving details, perhaps holding a competition with a prize from the council.

It was suggested that details of the Best Kept Village Competition could be included with the Annual Report.

g) Mawnan Citizen Project

The Chairman informed the Council that unfortunately the Head of the School had to cancel the meeting and another meeting would be organised.

h) Cornwall County Council Footpaths Evening – report by Cllr Mrs Briars

Cllr Mrs Briars reported that she was unable to attend the footpaths meeting held at County Hall.

Cllr Mrs Briars gave the Chairman a quotation from Malcolm Rashleigh for weed killing kerbs and pathways. It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr R South and

RESOLVED that if Cornwall County Council agreed to pay for the work Malcolm Rashleigh should be instructed to go ahead.

i) Arrange meeting to consider staffing and salary review – staffing committee.

‘Under the 1960’s Public Admissions to Meetings Act’ the Chairman asked that this be carried out in private at the end of the meeting once the public and press had been excluded. (No record was taken of this part of the meeting).

87/05 CORRESPONDENCE

A list of correspondence received since the previous meeting was read out and a copy attached to the minutes as a record.

88/05 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr Hatton reported that unfortunately full planning fees would be expected with all planning applications, including those renewable energy projects. He had received a letter from John Powell, Customer Liaison Unit for the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister who informed him that they are committed to keeping

planning fees under review and would consider the issues around renewable energy sources and planning fees in any future consultation on planning fees.

Cllr Hatton also reported that it looked as though the affordable housing file would be closed. The Council felt that this was extremely disappointing; the Council supported the project and felt it extremely important to support younger residents and first time buyers in the village. The Chairman said he felt very let down and that it was a bad signal from Kerrier to the young people.

Cllr Hatton arrived after the decision had been made to withdraw the Council's application to Kerrier's Liveability Grant for the Macrocarpus tree, so the Chairman advised him of the decision and thanked him very much for all his efforts.

89/05 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM THE PLANNING AUTHORITY

a) To Approve Minutes of the Planning Committee for Site Meetings Carried Out since the Last Council Meeting

There had been no site meetings since the last Council meeting.

b) To Consider Planning Applications Received From the District Authority

- i.** PA05/01456/F – Re-sighting of an oil tank – St Michael's Church, off Grove Hill, Mawnan Smith – for the Vicar and Church wardens of St Michael's Church. **There were no objections.**
- ii.** PA05/01509/F – Erection of a granite retaining wall – River House, Budock Vean Lane, Mawnan Smith – for G Beringer Esq. **A site visit was requested.**
- iii.** PA05/01528/F – Erection of a local needs affordable dwelling – Adjacent to Bosveal, Mawnan Smith – for Mr M Sadler. **A site visit was requested.**
- iv.** PA05/01532/F – Erection of a conservatory extension to dwelling – Downfield, West Bay, Maenporth – for Mrs P Spread. **There were no objections.**
- v.** PA05/01470/F – Erection of extensions including dormer extensions to dwelling – Dracaena, Sampys Hill, Mawnan Smith – for Mr and Mrs K Richards. **There were no objections.**
- vi.** PA05/01537/F – Erection of an extension and refurbishment of lavatory block, Glendurgan Garden, Mawnan Smith – for The National Trust. **There were no objections.**

- vii. PA 05/01445/TPO – The felling of six Lime trees, one Sycamore, one Macracarpa, one Spruce, one Ash and three Cherry trees – Tranquebar, Budock Vean Lane, Budock Vean. **The Council objected strongly, TPO trees NOT diseased. The felling would be purely aesthetic and there is no re-planting schedule.**

The Chairman asked that a review of the Council's policies on site visits, particularly on the inspection of trees should be discussed and the item be placed on the Agenda for the December meeting.

c) To Note Planning Decisions of the Planning Authority

The Council noted the decisions of the Planning Authority on previous applications.

90/05 FINANCE AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Chairman read out the Accounts for the month which were approved and cheques signed by Cllr Mrs Briars and Cllr South. Copy of accounts attached.

91/05 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

92/05 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Mawnan Parish Council will be held on Thursday 15th December, 2005 in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm, after a 7.00pm meeting to Receive and Approve the Budget.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- Village Newsletter – contact details were given to Cllr C Stimson.
- Parish Council Annual Report – the cost of the circulation of the Annual Report was queried and the Chairman confirmed that this cost was included in the Council's budget.

Signed:

Date :

Chairman