



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2010 IN MAWNAN MEMORIAL HALL**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Gartside (Chairman), Mrs Loomes, O'Dell, Gibbons and Sadler.

**580/05 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Miss King, Gilmore and Barlow.

**581/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**a) In Items on the Agenda**

There were no declarations in relation to items on the agenda.

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

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

**582/05 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

Members of the public expressed their concern regarding the lack of public consultation regarding the field allocated for allotments. There was concern regarding the visual impact of the allotments on the surrounding area, parking, signage, public safety and security for both local residents and allotments holders. Councillor Gibbons explained that the Parish Council have in the past tried unsuccessfully to find an appropriate site for allotments. There is a list of 25 people from the village interested in having a plot on the allotments. The Parish Council have a legal obligation to provide allotments if parishioners request them. The Parish Council contacted the National Trust who have given the land for the use of allotments. The National Trust have stated that they will only negotiate a tenancy agreement with an allotments association. Councillors Gibbons & Miss King are liaising with interested parties to aid the formation on a legally constituted allotment society. It is believed that there will be an area allocated for parking within the borders of the field. The allocated field has a 6 foot high well kept hedge which will screen the allotments from view. The Parish Council would like to remain an independent party to the allotments to enable them to articulate the views of the public. There will be a member of the Council on the allotment society when it is formed. The Parish Council will publicise information regarding the allotments on the website and Parish notice board.

**583/05 TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**a) Meeting of Parish Council, 21<sup>st</sup> January 2010**

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

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2010 be approved as a true record and be duly signed.

**b) Meeting of Planning Committee, 4<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

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

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2009 be approved as a true record and be duly signed.

**584/05 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA**

The Clerk reported that she has not received a reply to the letter been sent to Cornwall Council requesting grit bins for the village. Councillor Gartside said that there is a sign on the notice board and the website requesting local residents to forward their names to the Clerk if they are interested in volunteer to be a village warden or to help people commute using their 4x4 vehicles during inclement snowy weather.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**a) To discuss vandalism by the public toilets including the playing of football**

Councillor Gartside said that he had been contacted by local parishioners expressing their concern regarding the removal of the 'No Ball Games' sign by the bus stop. The youths are playing football and intimidating local residents. He has contacted the police who have not received any reports of anti-social behaviour. He has asked the police to pay particular attention to the area by the bus shelter and direct any youths they find playing football on this restricted area to go and play on the local playing fields. There are also concerns for the children's safety and potential damage to properties.

**b) To receive an update on the allotments**

Covered above in public comments, members had nothing further to add.

**585/05 CORRESPONDENCE**

The list of correspondence was circulated to members for their reference.

**586/05 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

The Clerk reported on decisions received.

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

The Clerk reported on complaints notified to the council.

**c) To Consider Planning Applications Received From the District Authority**

- i) PA10/00100/TPO – Mrs M Prall, Land Opposite Roskellan, Bosanath Valley, Mawnan Smith – Crown reduction and lopping of 1 Oak tree and 1 Sycamore tree**

**OBSERVATIONS :** The Parish Council request that a certificate from a tree surgeon be gained to confirm if there is a need for the works on trees is required.

- ii) PA10/00097/TPO – Mr P Causer, Tranquebar, Budock Vean Lane, Budock Vean, Mawnan Smith – Felling of 1 Macrocarpa tree and 2 Silver Birch trees**

**OBSERVATIONS :** The Parish Council request that a certificate from a tree surgeon be gained to confirm if there is a need for the works on trees is required.

## **587/05 FINANCE AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

### **a) Payment of Accounts**

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

**RESOLVED** that accounts totalling **£767.78**, be approved for payment in February, and duly signed.

## **588/05 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES**

### **a) Police Report**

The Clerk spoke to the report forwarded by PCSO Cook in his absence. He said that since your last meeting on the 21st January there have been four crimes reported in the parish. There was a vehicle interference at the Ferryboat Inn car park, a calor gas bottle was taken from a garden in Budock Vean lane, a pedal cycle was taken from outside the Red Lion Public House that has since been recovered, and there was a domestic assault. There were no calls to the police about antisocial behaviour. It has been reported to me that there have been youths playing football in the street in certain locations and Andy and I will be speaking with the youth of the village about this. A junior road safety speed watch day has been organised with Mawnan Smith School and will be held in March.

### **b) Carwinion Pre-School Group**

Councillor Gartside said that the negotiations between the Pre-School Group, Cornwall Council and the Trustees are now complete. Cornwall Council have agreed to the requests made by the Trustees. The Solicitor representing the Trustees is currently working on drawing up the necessary legal documentation. Councillor Sadler requested that it be noted that there were no conditions attached to the conditional planning permission granted by Cornwall Council.

## **589/05 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of Mawnan Parish Council would be held on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2010, commencing at 7.30pm, in the Memorial Hall.

Councillor Hatton entered the meeting at 8.10pm.

## **590/05 REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL WARD MEMBER**

Cllr Hatton reported on the following matters:-

- The 2.9% rise in the Council Tax imposed by Cornwall Council. Councillor Gartside expressed his concern regarding the raise in Council Tax compared to the local salaries and pensions. He said that the services being delivered by Cornwall Council are deteriorating. The people of Cornwall were sold the Unitary Authority on the pretence of reducing Council Tax. He requested that Councillor Hatton provide a comprehensive breakdown of the Cornwall Council precept. It was also requested the percentage of Council Tax used to pay the pensions of officers to the Council. It was agreed that the Parish Council writes to the Chief Executive of Cornwall Council expressing their concerns regarding the rise in Council Tax.
- Allotments – he has received a letter from a member of the public expressing their concerns regarding the allotments. Councillor Gartside explained the discussion held during public participation at the beginning of the meeting.
- ‘Fouling of Land by Dogs Order’ – Councillor Hatton explained that it gives dog wardens the power to issue fixed penalties to offenders. Councillor Gartside asked

Councillor Hatton to investigate the number of fixed penalties issued and the cost of dog wardens in the County.

- Penwarne have until the end of March 2010 to remove the caravans from the site. Failure to remove the caravans will result in prosecution.
- Councillor Gibbons said that the Parish Council have written two items of correspondence to Cornwall Council's planning department regarding the same matter and have received no reply. Councillor Hatton advised that a letter be sent to the monitoring officer at Cornwall Council and copied to the chief executive explaining the situation and requesting that this issue be looked into.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**a) Anna Maria Creek**

A member of the public said that an enforcement notice has finally, after 5 years, been served on Anna Maria Creek. The notice was served on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2010 and subject to an appeal on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2010 all residential use of boats must cease. If the residential use of boats continues after this date it will be a criminal offence.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.34pm.

Signed : ..... 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
Chairman