



14th December 2023



Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend a meeting of Mawnan Parish Council on 21st December 2023 at 7.30pm in the Mawnan Bowling Club.



Please find attached the agenda for our meeting. We ask that if any member of the public has issues they would like to raise that they contact the clerk prior to the meeting so that we can best manage them. Please remember that the time allotted for *Matters of Community Concern* is not a forum to discuss what has taken place during this meeting and that any matter raised here would likely be added to the NEXT meeting agenda for discussion.

Yours faithfully,

Lisa Clements, Clerk to the Council

Agenda

- 1) **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**
- 2) **MEMBERS TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, REQUEST DISPENSATIONS OR DECLARE GIFTS OVER £50**
- 3) **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA ONLY**
- 4) **TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE 16TH NOVEMBER FULL COUNCIL MEETING**
- 5) **ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM PAST MINUTES NOT ON THE CURRENT AGENDA (tank track DMMO;)**
- 6) **TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL BY DATE OF THIS MEETING**

Ref. No: PA23/09351 Ebb Tide Budock Vean Lane Mawnan Smith TR11 5LG

Raising of roof to provide first floor accommodation with dormer windows. Single-storey rear extension, general alterations including to front porch and side terrace, and replacement of roof over existing garage.

Ref. No: PA23/09134 Dracaena Sampys Hill Mawnan Smith TR11 5EW

Replacement of the roof to the existing conservatory

Ref. No: PA23/09242 Bosulla Budock Vean Lane Mawnan Smith TR11 5LH

Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO), works include T1- Fell Black pine close to property & replace with native scots pine due to its currently low amenity value & non native

Ref. No: PA23/09806 Tregarthen Helford Passage Mawnan Smith TR11 5LD

Rear extension and west elevation lean to plus associated external material amendments





- 7) **TO RECEIVE A LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS MADE TO DATE BY CORNWALL COUNCIL – including any information in relation to outstanding Inspectorate Appeals or Committee submissions**
- 8) **TO RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE OFFICE & FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR SETTING THE BUDGET & PRECEPT FOR 2023/4 AND SOLAR GRANT BUDGET ALLOCATION**
- 9) **APPROVAL OF THE LIST OF PAYMENTS FOR DEC 2023 & TO RECEIVE NOV 2023 BANK STATEMENTS AND RECONCILIATIONS**
- 10) **TO NOTE RECEIVED CORRESPONDENCES AND AGREE TO ANY FURTHER RESPONSES REQUIRED (above those already made by clerk)**
Please be aware that items listed under 'Correspondences' could be addressed as part of the relevant Agenda item given in the Associated Papers during the full council meeting.
- 11) **TO RECEIVE INFORMATION AND MAKE DECISIONS ON ANY NOTED ENVIRONMENT ISSUES INCLUDING TRAFFIC, ROADS, FOOTPATHS & COUNTRYSIDE**
- 12) **REPORTS FROM OTHER GROUPS / INDIVIDUALS**
- 13) **REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL WARD MEMBER**
- 14) **TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON CURRENT COUNCIL VACANCIES & POSITION OF ANY NOMINEES FOR CO-OPTION**
- 15) **ITEMS FOR INCLUSION AT THE NEXT MEETING**
- 16) **MATTERS OF COMMUNITY CONCERN**
- 17) **DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: 18th JANUARY 2024 AT 7.30PM**



Further information & associated papers for this agenda can be found on the parish council website

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ASSOCIATED PAPERS-

Item 4 – draft minutes also available online

Item 5 - clerk to provide draft response to the DMMO request for PC approval – extension to submission until the New Year given due to the number of responses.

Item 6 – 4 applications received to date.

Item 7 - Planning decision to date: Nov to Dec 23

Items in red are summaries of conditions applied to applications, other than the conditions within 3 years & as to provided plans (Tree works are 2 years & to BS3998 standards)

Ref. No: PA22/08599 Carwinion Playing Field Carwinion Road Mawnan Smith
Application for proposed multi-use games area (MUGA) and extension to clubhouse to replace storage buildings.

Status: Approved with conditions (cricket ball-strike assessment needed & no lighting without full details submitted)

Ref. No: PA23/07238 Brynn Cottage Mawnan Smith TR11 5JZ

Proposed garden studio outbuilding for ancillary use replacing existing dilapidated outbuilding. Oil tank replaced with shed for garden storage and new photovoltaic panels to roof of Brynn Cottage

Status: Approved with conditions (not to be used as separate accommodations)

Ref. No: PA22/04265 6 Lowenna Fields Mawnan Smith TR11 5GW

Deed of Modification to s.106 attached to PA15/09452 to update the definition of mortgagee.

Status: Approved

Ref. No: PA23/01374/PREAPP House In The Wood Budock Vean Lane Mawnan Smith TR11 5LQ
5 day Exception Notice - Felling of Monterey Pine

Status: Closed - advice given

Ref. No: PA23/07606 Glendurgan Gardens Grove Hill Mawnan Smith TR11 5JZ

New external store for The Tea House (replacing existing) and two fixed parasols

Status: Approved with conditions (Tree protection areas to be maintained)

Item 8 – draft minutes from the O&F (budget setting) meeting are attached. It was agreed to go along with suggestions made by Cllr Reid which would mean a significant increase to the precept, mainly to cover works necessary at the JPF and a fund for advisory/legal support.

Item 9 - Payments for Dec & bank rec. for Nov 23

Item	Cost Centre	Name & Item Description	VAT	Amount
175	Postages	Royal Mail - O&F agenda	0.00	3.00
176	Toilets - Utility Charges	WaterPlus	0.00	76.83
177	Toilets - Cleaning & Materials	KC Payne	0.00	300.00
178	Clerks Salary (inc PAYE & NI)	clerk - wages inc subcontracted trust hours, xmas refreshments & graveyard plant	0.05	1,446.57
179	Grass Cutting	R Sanders	93.00	558.00
180	Toilets - Utility Charges	EDF energy	0.00	11.00
181	Clerks Pension Contribution	Nest Pensions	0.00	67.51
182	Parish Pension Contribution	Nest Pensions	0.00	118.15
183	Clerks Salary (inc PAYE & NI)	HMRC - Parish NI Q3	0.00	342.57
184	Parish NI contribution	HMRC - Clerks Tax & NI Q3	0.00	452.68
185	Graveyard Maintenance/ Grounds	Robbie's Garden Services & Fencing	0.00	484.00



186			0.00	
187	Public Services - Rubbish Bins	Biffa Environmental Services Ltd - 3 x waste bin emptying	366.08	2,196.48
188	Subscriptions	ICO - annual bill	0.00	40.00
189	MMH New Offices	Ask Asbestos Services Ltd (PAID BY CLERK) - asbestos survey for new offices	109.00	654.00
190	Parish Council Websites	Webhosts UK Ltd -annual hosting charge (to 18/12/24)	9.48	56.87
191	Admin - Telephone & Internet	BT – Nov bill	5.79	34.76
192	LMP / SWCP Footpaths	R Sanders- 3rd cut invoice (fpth 19 & 20)	52.50	315.00
193	Miscellaneous Expenses	Lidl - Xmas refreshments	0.00	8.51
194	Graveyard Maintenance/ Grounds	Robbie's Garden Services & Fencing- 2 x additional seasonal cuts. + 20 grave top-ups @£30 each	0.00	720.00
195	Postages	Royal Mail – full agenda x 6	0.00	5.25
		TOTAL	£635.90	£7891.18

Item 10- Correspondences. If councillors wish to see any more information on individual items this will need to be requested from the clerk.

	Rec'd	Description	From	actions	Agenda
1	25.11.23	PhD project/ Parish footpath assessment project	P Simmons, Mabe PC	pending	11
2	28.11.23	2024 off street parking order review	CC- business (parking)	for info	11
3	29.11.23	Request for help to compile info of Cornish parishes xmas lights/events	C Trevena	Clerk dealt	
4	30.11.23	Carparking at the MMH – buying the house next door & funding streams	Resident	Clerk dealt	
5	1.12.23	CALC news update – community ownership funds; star awards etc & training dates info for 2024	CALC	Pending/ for info	
6	4.12.23	Community Chest award (for footpath leaflet)	N Drewitt – CC Localism	Clerk dealing	
7	5.12.23	Enforcement complaint – notice of action	CC- Planning Enforcement	Clerk dealing	7
8	6.12.23	Referendums on PC precept increases	W Tarrant – CC Finance	For info	8
9	12.12.23	Explanation on the removal of turf outside the school	CORMAC	For info	11
10	12.12.23	Future elections costs calculator (for 2025)	CALC	Clerk dealing	8
11	13.12.23	Torbay Tree cutting & parish connection	Resident	pending	
12		Various newsletter – CAB, Kresen Kernow, Forest for Cornwall, Climate Eco-Hub, SWCP		Website	

Item 11 – Cllr Potter has provided notes from the meeting with Gareth Lay from the NT in the summer, given that they usually review their annual budgets at this time, just a s reminder of the many suggestions.

Item 14 – we still have 2 co-option vacancies open.





MINUTES OF THE MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16th NOVEMBER 2023 AT 7.30PM, IN THE MAWNAN BOWLING CLUB

Present: Cllrs Potter (chair), Morris, Reid, Sadler & Whibley

ALSO PRESENT: clerk + 6 members of the public

3882.23 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES - Cllr Bate

3883.23 MEMBERS TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA OR REQUEST DISPENSATIONS - none noted

3884.23 PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA ONLY – none noted

3885.23 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE 19th OCTOBER FULL COUNCIL MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr Reid seconded by Cllr Whibley and

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19th October 2023 be approved and signed by the Chair.

on a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously

3886.23 ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM PAST MINUTES NOT ON THE CURRENT AGENDA

(Remembrance Service, bottle fill signs, phone box)

Cllr Whibley reported that the garden club were due to meet on 23rd November and she would raise the telephone Box seed swap with them then.

Currently the Telephone Box had been taken over without contact and was being used as a book swap. It was agreed to leave this but that a notice needed to go up explaining that the PC was not responsible for items left/taken, pending information from the Garden Club as above.

The landmark tree (a holm oak) had been received and was going to be planted by Charlie from the National Trust next week. It was decided to look into a memorial plaque of some point for a ceremony in the spring to commemorate both Queen Elizabeth II jubilee & King Charles coronation.

The clerk reported that the community appreciated the Remembrance Day Services that had taken place, having received a note of thanks from one resident as well as comments online.

She also said that she had turned off the stopcock to the bottle refill point this afternoon as it was leaking. She would be contacting the builders to discuss this but was waiting on the next water bill so as to look at consumption – the urinals still appear to have a constant low flow which was not really acceptable.

3887.23 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL BY DATE OF THIS MEETING

Ref.: PA23/08925 River House Budock Vean Lane Mawnan Smith Falmouth

It was proposed by Cllr Whibley, seconded by Cllr Sadler &

RESOLVED that Mawnan Parish Council support this application, having seen the effort made to try to retain this tree in previous applications. However we would like to see some species of native oak used as a replacement, rather than a small leaf lime - this is on the whole an area of primarily ancient oak woodland and we would rather see this maintained.

on a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously

Ref. No: PA23/07606 Glendurgan Gardens Grove Hill Mawnan Smith TR11 5JZ

It was proposed by Cllr Whibley, seconded by Cllr Reid &

RESOLVED that Mawnan Parish Mawnan Parish Council support this considered application from the National Trust.

on a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously

3888.23 TO RECEIVE A LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS MADE TO DATE BY CORNWALL COUNCIL – including any information in relation to outstanding Inspectorate Appeals or Committee submissions (inc. information on 13/11 West Sub-Area Planning Committee meeting for PA22/11402 Hotel Meudon)

Thanks were given to Cllr John Bastin for his statement and support at the planning committee hearing, where despite the planning officer being in support the committee voted unanimously to refuse the hotel's application. A copy of the reasons for the planning refusal would be attached to this agenda. Nigel Gilmore was also thanked for representing the parish council and speaking at the meeting for us.

Cllr Reid also asked that the intimidation and misdirection addressed to the chair by Liz Wallingham of Lean PR over the Thursday/Friday prior to the committee meeting about the parish website having the community drone video on it needed to be noted. It appears that several telephone calls and emails were made to the chairman about us having the community groups' drone video on our site asking it be removed. Ms Wallingham did not directly identify herself as working for the hotel's PR company, intimating that she was an upset member of staff until challenged based on info the chair received from the clerk. Cllr Reid had seen the emails to/from Cllr Potter & the clerk and asked that at the very least it be recorded in the minutes for future reference that this had taken place.

It was proposed by Cllr Reid seconded by Cllr Sadler &

RESOLVED that the untoward communications received by the chair during the lead up to the planning area committee would be noted for future reference but that no further action to be taken at this time.

on a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously

Correspondence had been received by Cllr Reid to look into the planning compliance at Tranquebar, Budock Vean Lane as the complainant thought that trees (specifically an oak on the riverside) had been illegally removed and that the plans were providing a 'party house' and not a replacement to the original boathouse. The clerk explained that she had looked into the planning history for this dwelling and that permission had been sought to remove the oak when it partially failed in 2019 (PA21/02976/PREAPP) but this was deemed unnecessary by the planning department, with works to other trees being obtained in 2023 (PA23/00682), which the parish council had supported. It was decided that the clerk would contact the planning officer & building enforcement to have this item reviewed.

3889.23 NECESSARY ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FROM THE INQUORATE O&F MEETING OF 23RD OCTOBER (draft 24-25 budget initial draft, setting date for O&F precept setting meeting & information on solar grant fund allocation & use)

The clerk explained that usually at this point the initial draft budget had been reviewed by the O&F committee prior to general circulation, but their October meeting was inquorate so they draft budget was going out undiscussed. It would still need to be discussed by an O&F meeting before the full council meet on 21st December, when their recommendations for the budget, precept and solar grant contribution for 2024/5 would be considered. The clerk had already talked to GreenNation about the possibility of 'borrowing' against the Solar Farm Grant capital to

offset possible cash-flow issues. They accepted that this would not be against the principle of the agreement as it was providing a sustainable community resource.

It was agreed that an O&F meeting to discuss the budget/ precept etc. be arranged for early December (agreed date is 6th December).

Cllr Reid felt that in his mind the precept was significantly under what the parish council were looking to be able to spend (he referenced JPT volunteer group works specifically) and felt that a more strategic expenditure planning needed to be taking place – including 3 years budgets. In his view a 30% increase to the precept (taking a Band D property to £72.44) would be more in keeping to raise funds. It was made clear to the public audience that this was a preliminary suggestion and it had just been tabled by Cllr Reid without any prior discussion and was not the position of the parish council, it needing to be properly evaluated and discussed first.

3890.23 TO AGREE AN ADDITIONAL MEMBER FOR THE NEW OFFICES GROUP

It was proposed by Cllr Sadler, seconded by Cllr Whibley & **RESOLVED** that Cllr Potter be added to the New Offices project group to work alongside Cllr Reid.

on a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously

3891.23 APPROVAL OF THE LIST OF PAYMENTS FOR NOV 2023 & TO RECEIVE OCT 2023 BANK STATEMENTS AND RECONCILIATIONS (to note NJC salary award for 23/24)

It was proposed by Cllr Reid, seconded by Cllr Morris & **RESOLVED** that accounts totalling £3292.30 Inc. VAT be approved for payment in November 2023 & duly signed.

It was proposed by Cllr Reid, seconded by Cllr Morris & **RESOLVED** that the bank reconciliation presented totalling £106,798.61 (of which £38,500.26 is retained Solar Grant Fund) for October 2023 be received & approved as a true record.

on a vote being taken both the matters were approved unanimously

3892.23 TO NOTE RECEIVED CORRESPONDENCES AND AGREE TO ANY FURTHER RESPONSES REQUIRED (above those already made by clerk)

Please be aware that items listed under 'Correspondences' could be addressed as part of the relevant Agenda item given in the Associated Papers during the full council meeting.

Item 1 – the graveyard damaged reported were minor and had been discussed with the resident and the contractor. They mainly related to items being moved whilst strimming and damaged to plastic plant-pots.

Item 5 – the graveyard sign had been blown over in the storm and was currently resting against the hedge. It was not damaged but needed to be reinstalled. The clerk was looking into.

3893.23 DISCUSSIONS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF MARTYN'S LAW & CREATION OF A COMMUNITY BIODIVERSITY PLAN/POLICY

Although Martyn's Law had not yet passed through parliament, the clerk felt that it was essential that councillors be aware of it and what implications it may have going forward, as it would not be something that could just be done without preparation. It was also not just the parish council that would be affected but all venues and groups who use them – including the Playing Field Trusts.

A Biodiversity plan/policy, at least in outline form, was necessary for January (specifically we are expected to complete our first consideration of what action to take for biodiversity), although Cllr Reid felt that there is no onus on parishes to be reporting in any form on this so there was no immediate hurry. The clerk had a model version of the Cornwall County issued Environmental Policy which she had been signposted to and was in the process of tailoring to Mawnan PC & our existing policies / information. It was agreed that the clerk try to find out what lengths other parishes were doing to locally, especially Helston Town Council who were very invested with climate & environmental project works.

3894.23 TO RECEIVE INFORMATION AND MAKE DECISIONS ON ANY NOTED ENVIRONMENT ISSUES INCLUDING TRAFFIC, ROADS, FOOTPATHS & COUNTRYSIDE (inc. info on Boskensoe junction speed limit, information on Evolis Speed Signs, Old Tank Track DMMO consultation and Sampy's Hill pavement revised plans.)

- The Clerk reported back that there was no movement in relocating the speed change point between Lowenna & Boskensoe junction. It was explained that this original change had not been done legally by the developers / planning and when noted by Highways when the 20mph section came into force was reinstated to be legally compliant.
- The clerk also reported back that the suggested location of the speed sign put forward after October's meeting had been refused by highways. It was felt that a sign at this point (opposite the Boskensoe junction) indicating a 20mph zone so far away from the actual start of this would have no effect and provide contradictory information. It was agreed to reconsider this sign until a final plan for the Lowenna pavement was agreed, but that Cllr Bate would be asked where she & the SpeedWatch team thought this sign would be most effective coming into the village.
- Revised plans for the Sampy's Hill pavement had been received and circulated amongst the group – the clerk asked if another meeting was needed. Cllr Sadler felt that this had to be done as a physical meeting, with the transport team and designers coming to the village to explain themselves and the plans as they stood. He felt that it should be made clear that at the start of the public consultation phase this was an expectation, not a request. Cllr Whibley thought that the location for the presumptive crossing – from the chestnut tree corner to Thatched Cottage was not the one that people used and should be revised but could not say specifically where people actually crossed the road. Anywhere here would be expected to have a formal & visible crossing, not the likes of the one of Grove Hill at the school. Cllr Reid felt that by looking round several of the new developments going in around adjoining parishes that the 1.8m 'standard' width given for the pavements was not being adhered to elsewhere – so why here when it was obviously too large.
- The DMMO for the Tank Track had now reached the consultation stage and the parish were being asked to supply their comments/ evidence towards this. It was agreed that Cllr Whibley & the clerk work on the parish's response and circulate for general agreement prior to the December deadline. The clerk had put up information about the DMMO consultation for the public to view & respond to.

3895.23 REPORTS FROM OTHER GROUPS / INDIVIDUALS

Cllr Whibley had attended the CAP meeting on 31st October, along with Cllr Reid. Minutes of this would be circulated once received but priorities of Transport, highways and connectivity; Health and Wellbeing; Housing and affordable housing; Environment and Climate Change; Young People and Asset Based Community Development had been identified by the large group.

Cllr Potter intended to forward his previous notes on the Durgan issues to Gareth Lay again, as this is the time that the National Trust would be looking to set next year's budget and this might jog his memory to see what allocations could be included to see works done here.

A catch up report from one of the JPF Volunteers was received, since the Trust meeting was delayed. SB had just been to the CLUP event and was now feeding this information about project funding back to the larger group. They were currently looking into various funding streams available and had had one play company come to view this site but were hoping to have a landscape designer also come to take a look with a more holistic approach to redeveloping the site – it appears many groups have forgotten to look at access issues when redesigning and have had to add these in later. Phasing the works – so that they do not all happen at once – also appeared to be a likely possibility. Many of the funding / grants being looked into would need a 10% match funding element, which needed to be discussed by the Trust in more detail. The clerk agreed to forward on the information /reports received to the rest of the councillor, even if they were not able to make formal decisions on it until the Trusts meeting.

3896.23 REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL WARD MEMBER

Cllr Bastin thanked us for the comments about his assistance at the Hotel Meudon planning meeting. He also brought up planning enforcement and that Mabe Parish had a meeting with the head of enforcement at County, Alan Mason scheduled for next week. He wondered if, rather than us trying for a separate meeting for the limited number of complaints that we had logged, if contact could be made with Mabe to see if they objected to us tagging along to their meeting instead. The clerk agreed to make contact with their clerk.

Biodiversity & Biodiversity planning, following on from declarations of climate & environmental emergencies made by County was under review but that specific resources were few and far between; with specific direction for parishes being unclear. He did know that the policy as regards future sea level rises (especially at Swanpool & Maenporth) were that no pro-active works to reinforce or protect the road networks was being considered. How this would affect us was unknown.

3897.23 TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON CURRENT COUNCIL VACANCIES & POSITION OF ANY NOMINEES FOR CO-OPTION

Unexpectedly, Mr Gary Slater of Parc-an-Manns made himself known at the meeting and gave a short summary of himself. He and his husband, and dog, had lived in the village for 6 year and he felt that at this stage he would like to become more involved in the works of the parish.

It was proposed by Cllr Potter seconded by Cllr Whibley and

RESOLVED that Gary Slater is immediately elected to fill a current co-option vacancy

on a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously

3898.23 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION AT THE NEXT MEETING

Budget & precept; Open Spaces contract review; new offices building spec.

3899.23 MATTERS OF COMMUNITY CONCERN

The clerk at this point felt it appropriate to note the recent passing of Cecil Birch, a long-time resident of the parish and stalwart attender of parish council meetings. He had passed away in early November after a stay at Falmouth Court home where he had been regularly visited by a number of parish residents. A service of remembrance would be taking place at St Michael's in early December for those fields in the parish that wished to show their respects.

The clerk reported that there had been various notices from resident about a 'door to door' seller being present in the parish and possibility leaving marking on doors etc. Advice from the police about this kind of thing had been circulated to everyone on the clerk's e-mailing list of community groups to get this information around as quickly as possible. If unsure, don't open your doors; do not allow anyone into your home and ring 101 to log if you feel intimidated or threatened in any way.

3900.23 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: 21ST DECEMBER 2023 AT 7.30PM where the usual celebrations for Xmas will take place with seasonal refreshments provided.

Item 3891.23 - Payments for Nov & bank rec. for Oct 23

Item	Cost Centre	Name & Item Description	VAT	Amount
159	Toilets - Repairs & Maintenance	The Signbuilder, <i>toilet bottle refill signage</i>	11.80	70.79
160	Office Supplies	GM Crafts, <i>transparent stickers</i>	2.32	13.90
161	Footpath Repairs	B&Q, <i>chain for Maenporth lock</i>	0.81	4.84
162	Toilet - Cleaning & Materials	KC Payne – <i>contract + broom & toilet cleaner</i>		320.19
163	Clerks Salary (inc PAYE & NI)	Clerk, <i>wages + NJC increase + travel & parking in Truro for banking run</i>	0.53	1551.20
164	Grass Cutting	R Sanders, <i>October cutting</i>	73.00	438.00
165	Toilets - Utility Charges	EDF energy		11.00
166	Clerks Pension Contribution	Nest Pensions		73.85
167	Parish Pension Contribution	Nest Pensions		129.24
168	Graveyard Maintenance/ Grounds	Robbie's Garden Services & Fencing		484.00
169	Toilets - Utility Charges	WaterPlus, <i>October water bill</i>		41.13
170	Course/Conference fees	CALC, <i>M Bate - online planning training</i>	6.00	36.00
171	Donations/ Grants	RBL, <i>donation in lieu of wreath</i>		30.00
172	Telephone & Internet	BT – <i>October Bill</i>	5.82	34.91
173	Postages	Royal Mail - <i>7 x full agenda packs</i>		5.25
174	Training & Conference Fees	SLCC – <i>closed cemetery training course</i>	8.00	48.00
		TOTAL	£108.28	£3292.30

Bank Reconciliation at 01/11/2023			
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2023		100,611.93
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2023 - 01/11/2023		67,048.38
			167,660.31
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2023 - 01/11/2023		60,861.70
A	Cash in Hand 01/11/2023 (per Cash Book)		106,798.61
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 01/05/2021	0.00	
	95 Day Saver Account - Nationwide 01/08/2023	38,500.26	
	Deposit Account - Lloyds 01/10/2023	63,063.86	
	Current Account - Lloyds 01/10/2023	3,608.20	
			105,172.32
	Less unrepresented payments		
			105,172.32
	Plus unrepresented receipts		1,626.29
B	Adjusted Bank Balance		106,798.61
	A = B Checks out OK		

Item 3892.23 11- Correspondences.

	Rec'd	Description	From	actions	Agenda
1	20.10.23	Complaint about graveyard damages.	Resident	Clerk dealing	
2	25.10.23	OUTGOING - Question about 'borrowing' solar grant fund	Clerk	Full Council	8
3	25.10.23	Comment about Sampy's Hill pavement plan	resident	Pending	13
4	26.10.23	OUTGOING – letter to L Wood, CC planning about Meudon delay in decision	Clerk as PC	For info	7
5	30.10.23	Graveyard sign storm damage	Resident	Clerk dealing	
6	30.10.23	Mawnan footway update (Sampy's Hill & Grove Hill)	A O'neill – Cc Transport	Full Council	13
7	1.11.23	Approved planning application – memorial hall offices	M Webb – cc Planning	For info	7
8	2.11.23	Tank Track DMMO consultation	CC –Regulatory Services	pending	13
9	2.11.23	Request for pre-planning presentation	Resident- BVL	Full Council	
10	6.11.23	Request for map & group transport for Meudon planning hearing	Resident	Clerk dealt	7
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Explanation of actions:

Clerk dealt – clerk has replied/actioned
Full council – already on agenda

For info - forwarded to all councillors; no specific response necessary
Pending –may need further investigation/discussion

Item 3888.23 - excerpt from the Planning Decision for PA23/04402

Cornwall Council

Correspondence Address: Cornwall Council
Planning, PO Box 676, Threemilestone, Truro, TR1
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Web: www.cornwall.gov.uk



Application number: PA22/11402

Agent:

Black Box Planning Ltd - Bristol
Black Box Planning Ltd
36 King Street
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BS1 4DZ

Applicant:

Meudon Vean Ltd
Meudon Hotel
Maenporth Road
Mawnan Smith
TR11 5HT

Town And Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town And Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England)
Order 2015

Notice of Refusal of Planning Permission

CORNWALL COUNCIL, being the Local Planning Authority, **HEREBY REFUSES PERMISSION**, for the development proposed in the following application received on 22 December 2022 and accompanying plan(s), for the reasons set out on the attached schedule:

Description of Development: Full planning application comprising 10 no. holiday units (C3) (total 1,615 sqm GIA) following demolition of two units in the grounds of Hotel Meudon; guest amenity building comprising swimming pool, restaurant, gym and fitness suite (C1) (total 235 sqm GIA); cycle store, greenhouse, bat roost building and substation; demolition of existing staff accommodation block, Bream House, Meudon Cottage and other ancillary garden structures; comprehensive landscaping scheme including biodiversity enhancements and planting to northern field and northern slopes of existing garden; together with other necessary infrastructure.

Location of Development: Meudon Hotel
Maenporth Road
Maenporth
Falmouth
Cornwall
TR11 5HT

YOUR ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE ATTACHED NOTES.

DATED: 14 November 2023

Louise Wood - Service Director Planning and
Housing (Chief Planner Officer)

REFULZ

SCHEDULE ATTACHED TO APPLICATION & DECISION NO: PA22/11402**REASONS:**

- 1 The proposed development fails to conserve and enhance the landscape character and natural beauty of the Cornwall Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), which is a highly sensitive location; specifically the element of the proposal which seeks to introduce holiday units into this wooded valley garden to the detriment of the natural qualities of this tranquil setting, due to their siting, scale, design and their associated residential paraphernalia, and increased light pollution, this is particularly the case for plots 6, 8, 9 and 10 which cause the greatest harm. When undertaking the planning balance great weight has been given to conserving and enhancing landscape and scenic beauty in accordance with the advice in paragraph 176 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2023, and it is considered that the identified public benefits of the scheme do not outweigh the identified harm to the landscape character and natural beauty of the Cornwall AONB. The sites location is also considered to not be accessible to a range of transport modes. The application therefore fails to meet the aims and intentions of Policies 2, 3, 5, 7, 12 and 23 of the Cornwall Local Plan Strategic Policies 2010-2030, Policies 4 and 5 of the Mawnan Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan 2021-2030 (Referendum Version January 2022), advice contained within the Cornwall Design Guide 2021, and paragraphs 8, 126, 130, 174, 176 and 185 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2023.
- 2 In the absence of a mechanism to secure the provision of a financial contribution towards the Strategic Access Management and Monitoring Measures for the Fal and Helford Special Area of Conservation, for which there is evidence of an identified need, the proposal is considered to be contrary to Policies 22, 23 and 28 of the Cornwall Local Plan Strategic Policies 2010-2030, the European Sites Mitigation Supplementary Planning Document (July 2021), and advice in paragraphs 8, 55, 57, 174 and 180 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2023.

DATED: 14 November 2023*Louise Wood* - Service Director Planning and
Housing (Chief Planner Officer)

REFULZ



Mrs L Clements
The Parish Offices, c/o MS Electrical, The
Square, Mawnan Smith, TR11 5EP

Your ref: [REDACTED]
My ref: [REDACTED]
Date: 5 December 2023

Dear Mrs Clements

[REDACTED]

Thank you for your enquiry into the above. The matter has been formally registered under reference [REDACTED] and allocated to a Development Officer for investigation. If the description above is incorrect or if you no longer require the Council to investigate the matter please let us know.

What we will do

The enforcement investigation process is set out in our flowchart and can be accessed via the following link <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/media/2dvfbqrc/enforcement-investigation-flowchart-v6.pdf>

- We will assess whether the matter constitutes a breach of planning control. If it is not, our case will be closed and you will be notified of the outcome.
- If the matter is a breach of planning control, we will undertake further work to obtain the necessary facts to make an informed decision (see step 4 of the flowchart).
- Once we have all the necessary information we will make a planning assessment of the development.
- We will consider your comments in our assessment of the development, in particular the harm that you have identified in your complaint.
- Once our investigation has concluded and a decision has been made, we will notify you of the outcome of the matter with a brief summary of our findings.

What we are unable to do

- Respond to questions or acknowledge further letters or submissions. Please note that only planning related issues can be considered when making a decision on how to proceed.
- Due to the General Data Protection Regulations we are unable to provide you with updates during the course of the investigation. Therefore, please be aware that case officers are not available to discuss the enforcement case in detail with you.
- We can't just tell people to knock something down – it might not be a breach of planning control

What are the possible outcomes and how long does it take?

Planning enforcement action is discretionary. Councils should not take planning enforcement action as a punitive measure or purely to regularise development which is otherwise acceptable in planning terms. In determining whether it is expedient to take planning enforcement action it is necessary to consider whether the breach results in any planning harm.

Development Management Service

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If no harm is caused then no further action will be taken, however investigations and assessments are still required which can take an average of 28 weeks but can be longer. In some cases we will negotiate amendments to make the development acceptable or we will invite a planning application. Where formal action is necessary please be aware that it is a lengthy legal process which will take a significantly longer period of time than the 28 week average.

Yours sincerely

Claire Hawke
Development Technical Officer
Development Management Service
Email: planning.enforcement@cornwall.gov.uk

Frequently Asked Questions

Why is the average time so long?

Initial investigations will reveal whether the matter is a breach of planning control, however, there are lots of steps that the Council must go through to ensure that we have all the facts to make the right decision. For example, we will need to establish when the development started, the previous use(s) of the land, who owns the land, any occupiers or other people with a legal interest in it, the personal circumstances of the occupiers in order to comply with Human Rights legislation, what the planning policies would allow etc. There are a number of ways in which we can obtain this information but as you can imagine it can be a very lengthy process. We must be sure of our facts because any formal action can be challenged and the Council can be found at fault if we have not undertaken full investigations. Therefore, please bear with us and don't worry if you haven't heard from us – we will be progressing the matter as quickly as we can!

What will the Council do?

We cannot just tell people to knock something down, it is not a criminal offence to undertake development without planning permission and the planning system is not in place to punish people. Government guidance states that Council's should not take formal action merely to regularise a technical breach of planning control that causes no harm in planning terms. Harm could be risk of flooding, harm to highway safety, excessive overlooking from windows or substantial harm to heritage assets for example, but it will not directly include issues such as loss of property value, breach of covenant, land or boundary disputes.

There are a number of possible outcomes to a case where a breach of planning control has been found, the main outcomes are :

Request a planning application

The Law allows for planning applications to be submitted retrospectively. If it is considered that the development could be acceptable a planning application can be invited. However, it is important to remember that the Council cannot make someone submit an application, therefore, if an application is invited but not submitted, the Council must decide whether the development causes planning harm and if it doesn't, no action should be taken.

Request a Certificate of Lawfulness

The Law states that development can become lawful if it has been in situ for a period of time (4 years or 10 years depending on the what type of development has occurred). The developer may decide to submit an application for a Certificate of Lawfulness to prove that the development has existed for the required period of time, but again, the Council cannot make them do so. If an application is not submitted but we have evidence that the development has existed for the required period of time, the matter will be closed because the development is immune from enforcement action.

No further action (not expedient)

If the development is acceptable in planning terms (no harm is caused) the Council cannot take formal action against it. The officer will consider the development against local and national planning policies and will assess whether the development causes harm; if it doesn't the case will be closed and no further action will be taken. This is in accordance with the government guidance.

Negotiate remedial works

If it is considered that the development could be made acceptable with some amendments we could seek to achieve the amendments by negotiation in order to remedy any harm that is being caused. Negotiating a solution will always be quicker than taking formal action; it takes 16 weeks on average.

Formal action

If the development is unacceptable the Council must seek to remedy the matter amicably first by requesting its removal. If that is not successful, the Council will consider what type of formal action is appropriate to remedy the matter. If at this stage you have crucial evidence that the Council needs to rely on, we will contact you to request that you provide formal statements to support the Council in formal action and attend any appeal/court hearing as a witness. When taking formal action there are legal and procedural steps that have to be followed and this can be a lengthy process, on average it takes about 30 weeks from receiving a complaint to serving a formal notice.

More information can be found on the Council's website : <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/planning/enforcement/>

The government guidance can be found at : <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ensuring-effective-enforcement>



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE OFFICE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE OF MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2023 AT 7.00PM IN THE MAWNAN BOWLING CLUB.**

PRESENT: Cllrs Potter (Chair), Reid & Sadler

ALSO PRESENT: Mrs L Clements, clerk

463.23F TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Cllr Moyle

464.23F MEMBERS TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS IN THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, REQUEST DISPENSATIONS OR NOTE ANY GIFTS OVER £50 - none noted

465.23F PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - none noted

466.23F TO NOTE THE PREDICTED EOY POSITION FOR 23/24

The clerk explained that based on the need for the whole of the £35,000 set aside for the new offices to be used by the 31st March 2023 (as required by the MMH grant application rules) we would be left with slightly below £9000 at the end of the year – which included reserves. It was accepted that the works here, although paying for themselves over several years, would have an immediate impact on parish finances.

467.23F TO DISCUSS THE INITIAL DRAFT BUDGET TO BE PROPOSED AT THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING

The clerk went through her budget proposal line by line and some minor alterations (funding for new office furniture, additional money into the grass cutting & toilet utilities lines) were included but it was agreed this was a fairly accurate budget. There were likely to be increases to the costs for rubbish bin collections (we were not even being offered a contract past August 2024 thanks to potential County contract changes) and the Open Spaces contract, which could not be completely quantified so a 'reasonable best guess' figures has been put in. However Cllr Reid felt that this budget did not reflect the current position of the parish council and the range of commitments it was facing in the near future and that a larger increase was necessary. He explained that to his calculations and in an ideal world we would need additional sums of:

- £1,000 to implement changes required by Martyn's law
- £1,000 to cover phase 2 of any Biodiveristy Plan
- £10,000 to go towards any future planning advice fees (such as potential Inspector appeals)
- £44,500 reinstated lost or liquidated Earmarked Reserves
- £23,000 to go towards improvement at the Playing Fields – either for legal advice on the position of the current management structure; basic ongoing maintenance & replacement of equipment or match funding towards JPF grants.

He did then accept that a single such increase was simply beyond consideration and that more realistically an increase of £24,000 (plus a £10,000 Solar Grant allocation) would be necessary to cover out immediate commitments in his view, made up of:

- £1,000 to Martyn's law prep
- £1,000 to any Biodiveristy Planning
- £5,000 to go planning advice
- £9,000 to reinstated Earmarked Reserves
- £8,000 to the Playing Fields

This would give a budget of £84,900, which unfortunately the parish could not subsidise from General Reserves as had been done in previous years, so this would need to be covered in its entirety by a precept increase for the full amount. It would be a Band D property coming out to £75.30 – up £26p.a.

It was agreed that trying to make the differentiation between parish funds and those community funds being HELD by the parish was still not clear enough and that explicit explanations for the significant increase to the precept would need to be made, as once again the issues of the 'false perception' of the parish council's financial position due to the inclusion in our accounts of the increasing Solar Grant Fund (looking to be £47,000 in Feb) were noted.

Cllr Reid felt that we should be using the Solar Grant money without grants applications being received, if for the benefit of the wider community; the clerk said that this was not what the original S106 agreement stated. It was agreed that the clerk would send over to all members both Solar agreements and a copy of our grant policy for review, whilst also seeing if there was a way to remove the solar grant money from the PC account, without us relinquishing parish control of it.

468.23F TO DISCUSS THE ANNUAL SOLAR GRANT ALLOCATION INTO THE BUDGET & PROPOSAL FOR FULL PARISH COUNCIL

It was proposed by Cllr Potter, seconded by Cllr Sadler &

RESOLVED that the Parish Council contribute £2000 from this year's Solar Grant income to the 2024/25 Donation & Grants budget line

on a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously

Agreed commitments against the Solar Grant Fund now stood at £15,000 (MUGA) & £10,000 (JPF match-funding).

469.23F TO DISCUSS CURRENT/ FUTURE RESERVES

It was agreed to leave discussions of the reserves until April as a greater portion of them will need to be liquidated to fund the new offices. The CIL, Burial Fees (rollover) & Solar Grant would be prioritised. Since they did not have an actual effect on the budget reports (other than in themselves) a decision on what reserves to carry forward to the new financial year would need to be agreed then as well.

470.23F TO AGREE THE PRECEPT/ BUDGET TO BE PROPOSED AT THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr Reid, seconded by Cllr Potter &

RESOLVED that the recommendations be that the Parish Council budget for 2024/25 would be set at £84,900. No additional funding from reserves could be applied this year.

It was proposed by Cllr Reid, seconded by Cllr Potter &

RESOLVED that the recommendations be that the Parish Council precept for 2024/25 would be set at £80,803

on a vote being taken both the matters were approved unanimously

meeting finished at 9.15pm

item 467.23-

Budget Proposals 24-25 budget.

11 December 2023 (2024-2025)

Mawnan Parish Council
Summary of Receipts and Payments
Summary - Cost Centres Only

Cost Centre	Receipts Budgeted	Clerks' Draft Payments Budgeted	Cllr Reid's Draft Payments Budgeted
Administration/Rent	0.00	1,350.00	1,350.00
Insurance	0.00	790.00	790.00
Meeting Room Hire	0.00	600.00	600.00
Internal Audit Fees	0.00	225.00	225.00
External Audit Fees	0.00	315.00	315.00
Parish Council Websites	0.00	60.00	60.00
Publications	0.00	0.00	0.00
Salaries	0.00	18,750.00	18,250.00
Training & Conference Fees	0.00	550.00	550.00
Allowances	0.00	100.00	100.00
Subscriptions	0.00	1,650.00	1,650.00
Paths & Open Spaces	1,697.36	6,580.00	7,080.00
Public Services	0.00	6,700.00	7,300.00
Misc	0.00	0.00	0.00
S19 - Carwinion Playing Field	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
S19 - Junior Playing Field	0.00	6,000.00	11,000.00
S234 (PH Act) - AED Grant	0.00	150.00	150.00
Donations & Grants	0.00	2,150.00	2,150.00
Graveyard	0.00	5,830.00	5,830.00
Precept	*80,803.00	0.00	0.00
CTS Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank Interest	400.00	0.00	0.00
Solar Farm grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
Earmarked Reserves	2,000.00	0.00	9,000.00
Reclaimed VAT	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advisory Fees	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
Parish Office Project	0.00	0.00	500.00
NET TOTAL	84,900.36	59,800.00	84,900.00

*Proposed Precept of £80,803 + confirmed income from Cllr Reid proposals = budget requirement

Cllr Reid's suggested increases:

	Ideal scenario	Realistic option
	£	£
Replenish financial reserves	44,500	9,000
Planning advice/representation	10,000	5,000
Legal advice on Trust management	3,000	3,000
Junior Playing Field - increase in spending	5,000	5,000
Junior playing field matched funding	15,000	10,000*
Terrorism Act preparations	1,000	1,000
Biodiversity Act – Prepare plan for year 2	1,000	1,000
Total	79,500	34,000
Funded from Precept	79,500	24,000
Funded from Solar Grant		10,000*

Mawnan Parish Council
Summary of Receipts and Payments
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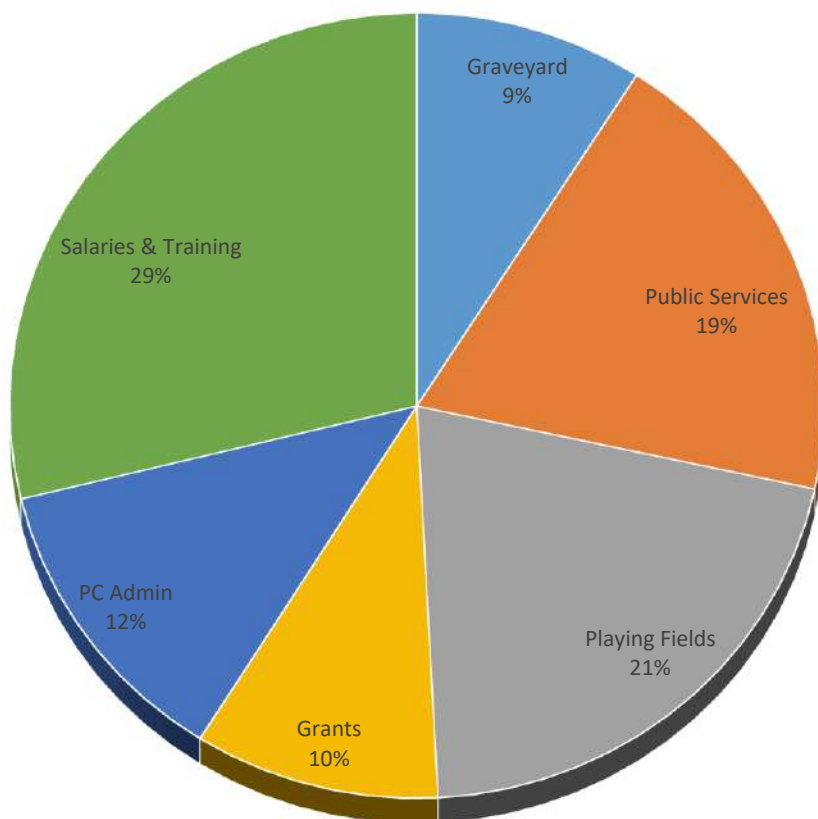
Cost Centre	Receipts			Payments			Net Position
	Budgeted	Actual	Variance	Budgeted	Actual	Variance	+/- Under/over spend
Administration/Rent			0.00 (N/A)	1,350.00		1,350.00 (100%)	1,350.00
Insurance			0.00 (N/A)	790.00		790.00 (100%)	790.00
Meeting Room Hire			0.00 (N/A)	600.00		600.00 (100%)	600.00
Internal Audit Fees			0.00 (N/A)	225.00		225.00 (100%)	225.00
External Audit Fees			0.00 (N/A)	315.00		315.00 (100%)	315.00
Parish Council Websites			0.00 (N/A)	60.00		60.00 (100%)	60.00
Publications			0.00 (N/A)			0.00 (N/A)	0.00
Salaries			0.00 (N/A)	18,250.00		18,250.00 (100%)	18,250.00
Training & Conference Fees			0.00 (N/A)	550.00		550.00 (100%)	550.00
Allowances			0.00 (N/A)	100.00		100.00 (100%)	100.00
Subscriptions			0.00 (N/A)	1,650.00		1,650.00 (100%)	1,650.00
Paths & Open Spaces	1,697.36		-1,697.36 (-100%)	7,080.00		7,080.00 (100%)	5,382.64
Public Services			0.00 (N/A)	7,300.00		7,300.00 (100%)	7,300.00
Misc			0.00 (N/A)			0.00 (N/A)	0.00
S19 - Carwinion Playing Field			0.00 (N/A)	8,000.00		8,000.00 (100%)	8,000.00
S19 - Junior Playing Field			0.00 (N/A)	11,000.00		11,000.00 (100%)	11,000.00
S234 (PH Act) - AED Grant			0.00 (N/A)	150.00		150.00 (100%)	150.00
Donations & Grants			0.00 (N/A)	2,150.00		2,150.00 (100%)	2,150.00
Graveyard			0.00 (N/A)	5,830.00		5,830.00 (100%)	5,830.00
Precept	80,803.00		-80,803.00 (-100%)			0.00 (N/A)	-80,803.00
CTS Grant			0.00 (N/A)			0.00 (N/A)	0.00
Bank Interest	400.00		-400.00 (-100%)			0.00 (N/A)	-400.00
Solar Farm grant			0.00 (N/A)			0.00 (N/A)	0.00
Earmarked Reserves	2,000.00		-2,000.00 (-100%)	9,000.00		9,000.00 (100%)	7,000.00
Reclaimed VAT			0.00 (N/A)			0.00 (N/A)	0.00
Advisory Fees			0.00 (N/A)	10,000.00		10,000.00 (100%)	10,000.00
Parish Office Project			0.00 (N/A)	500.00		500.00 (100%)	500.00
NET TOTAL	84,900.36		-84,900.36 (-100%)	84,900.00		84,900.00 (100%)	-0.36

Total for ALL Cost Centres

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GROSS TOTAL

Actual Budget for 23-24

**How we spend our precept:**

PC Admin – all the back room working costs; office rent, rates, phone & broadband, postages, insurances, meeting room hire, professional subscriptions, audit fees.

Public Services –inland & SWCP footpath cutting; weed spraying; rubbish bins; public toilets; maintenance of parish green spaces, bus shelter & Telephone Box.

Graveyard – maintenance of both Mawnan churchyard & the Community Graveyard - includes rates, grass cutting, maintenance & tree works.

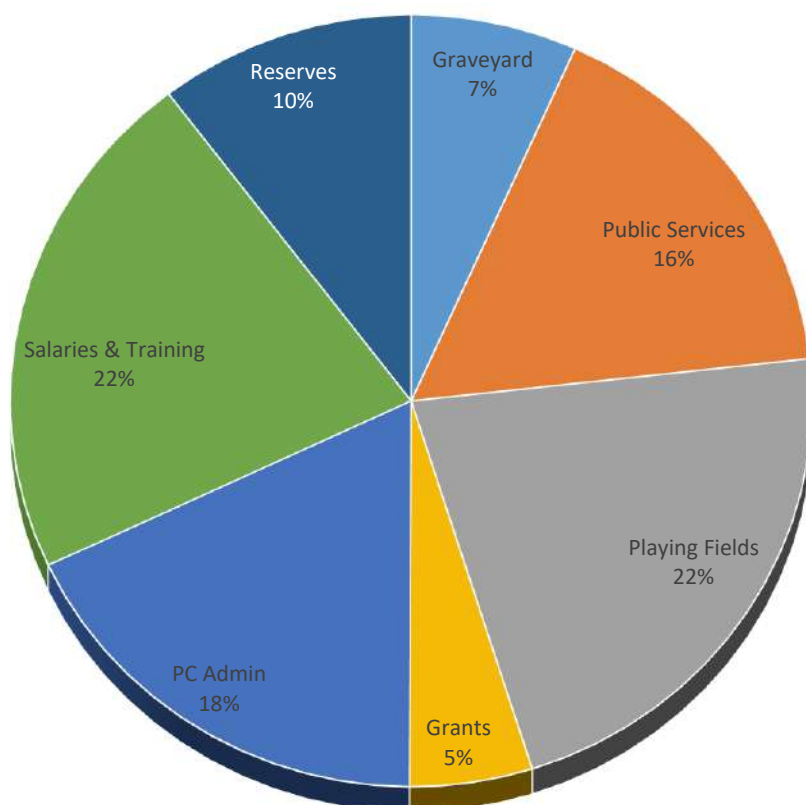
Playing Fields - support grant for the Junior Playing Field & Carwinion Field (covers insurances, grass cutting, maintenance, & inspections)

Salaries & Training – clerks wages & costs (inc. pension) as well as training for the whole council and any necessary travel costs.

Grants – monies given out each year as help to community organisations & groups

Reserves – monies needed for predicted expenses (like elections, emergency Health & Safety spending) planned future projects (traffic & roads works, Climate Group, MUGA) or ring-fenced income (CIL funding). This year (23/24) we are spending a lot of our existing reserves on the refurbishments & office at the MMH, so need to refill these to some degree.

Proposed Budget for 24/25



Lisa Clements

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 November 2023 10:38
To: Lisa Clements
Subject: Re: Linking the surrounding parish's footpaths - a PhD research project

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Hi Lisa

Thanks for getting back to me.

Yes, this is the crux of the research.

With my councillor hat on, last year we had LMP money for furniture so we replaced a lot of signposts added more discs and improved the network signage.

As you know, like all parishes we have a cutting regime which is based on gold, silver and bronze and that is what hampers an equitable cutting regime and access issues that should include a better network between parishes overall.

With both councillor and student hats on, we need to take into account the modern infrastructure, so different from when the paths were created. Our needs are different now, especially within the narrative of the need to transition to a low carbon economy, improving health and wellbeing, green corridors and access to new estates, schools and surgeries as some of the examples.

With my student hat on, the research is based on coming up with a co-created idea of how we can achieve a cutting regime (separate from LMP money) that the CC / CAT will agree on. We put our cutting plans out to tender and it is a slow process to get them to micro manage and cut according to the needs as the present payment scheme concentrates on the gold/silver designations. A work in progress but they also agree with the principals of cutting where needed and enjoy a close working partnership. It will take time.

By micro-managing each path, say for instance a gold path that half of it doesn't need cutting and transferring that to another part of another path that doesn't usually get cut makes more sense and can be economically better or at least equal to what is spent.

It relies on a wish list of all communities, the local knowledge of each path and what needs to be cut and the relationship with those who cut the path. In Mabe, we have paths that are gold and concrete and there are so many instances locally in all parishes that just don't make sense for access and use – a time for a rethink, hence the inter parish research with proposals, discussions and hopefully solutions to improve the networks for many reasons.

I hope that goes some way to answer your query.

You are right in questioning the financing of cutting and that is exactly what I am doing and hopefully proposing a game plan to use as a template for change to present to CC. If 9 parishes can thrash it out and look at the feasibility of it then I would say that is progress and a benefit for one and all.

Best regards

Paul

[REDACTED]

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From: Lisa Clements <clerk@mawnan.org.uk>

Date: Wednesday, 29 November 2023 at 09:53

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Linking the surrounding parish's footpaths - a PhD research project

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Hi [REDACTED]

Whilst we did a slightly similar review of footpaths against their need/priority for cutting a few years back we had trouble in working this alongside the LMP, which was annually funding a lot of these cutting works.

The then Countryside Access Team were not too happy about us 'changing up' the cutting designated on their original maps & schedules - if we modified in any way we lost funding for that stretch.

If this review is to involve actual cutting changes would we still be able to claim the LMP funding in good conscience - or would the parish council have to add this amount into our budgets?

Ta

Lisa C

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 November 2023 09:51
To: clerk@mawnan.org.uk
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Linking the surrounding parish's footpaths - a PhD research project

Dear Lisa

I am writing to you as a mature PhD student at the Institute of Cornish Studies based at the Tremough campus. I am also a Mabe parish councillor.

Wearing my hat as a student the working title of my research is *"The role of footpaths in the 21st Century within both a climate and ecological emergency and an emerging low carbon economy"*. I am making suggestions as to how every parish can improve the use of their local footpath system in a variety of ways which includes for personal and collective health and wellbeing, integrating into the existing infrastructure system including transport and new housing estates and for linking up green corridors.

Specifically, I am writing to you about the practical side of the research, which is something we are looking at in Mabe. I am proposing that we can micro-manage each footpath in our own parish network of paths by cutting according to need, not classification of gold, silver and bronze. With a collective plan we can co-create an integrated wider parish network, working out where the important inter-parish paths are and, just as importantly, save money with our individual and collective cutting regimes, working with contractors through local knowledge of our footpaths.

Local knowledge and a chance to update the classification of paths will lead to an interconnected network of paths of multiple usage that will be a contribution to establishing solutions of working towards a low carbon economy through the many guises of walking. I also propose that the economic savings will also be fundamental to the implementation and success of the plan.

Defining the needs and wants of the variety of users not only for health and wellbeing and green corridors but to improve access to the modern infrastructure of new housing estates, schools, bus stops and doctors surgeries, as examples, is central to the research of the future use of the 2700 miles of Cornish footpaths. Working both independently and together, parishes can also save money in a way I would like to demonstrate to the parish council.

I am confident that if the results are positive from working collectively we could then present to the County Council a working model for the future. Economically, culturally, socially and regeneratively I propose that this would be beneficial to one and all.

I am asking if I could come to talk about working together on this part of the research. I would be very happy to send some paperwork to help demonstrate the financial and practical solutions prior to coming to either make a presentation or have my allotted minutes that the public are allotted at the beginning of the parish meeting. I do have the blessing of Mabe parish council as I have been portfolio holder for the footpaths for the council and have been working with mixed results with our present contractor for path clearance. I am also aware of the ethical considerations as a councillor and as a student.

I have produced a map and historical pamphlet of our parish network to encourage use of the footpath network which has been very well received. I attach a pdf version in this email and am happy to bring along some real A5, 16 panel copies.

My goal is to promote walking for a multitude of uses and contribute to the many solutions to the climate and ecological emergency that most parishes and the county council have declared.

Yours sincerely
[REDACTED]



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Lisa Clements

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 November 2023 13:02
To: Lisa Clements
Subject: Re: Mawnan Parish Council "Documenting the history of Cornwall's Christmas Lights"

Good afternoon, Lisa.

That is a banquet of information. Thank you. Very much appreciated.
 I'll be in touch upon the completion of the timeline, if it is of interest.

From: Lisa Clements <clerk@mawnan.org.uk>
Sent: 29 November 2023 10:12
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Mawnan Parish Council "Documenting the history of Cornwall's Christmas Lights"

Hi [REDACTED]

I can only give you a little info from the Christmas Lights committee, set up in 2000.

The first year 2000 – they 'loaned out' strings of clear/coloured light to homes in the village of Mawnan Smith for residents to decorate their gardens themselves. Unfortunately the storms that year caused this to fail, as did the rain the next year.

Come 2002 larger 'set pieces' were being created in garages in the village by a team of volunteers (powered by lots of coffee & biscuits) and added to each year rather than continuing with individual strings of lights. Come 2018 we were in the beginnings of a 'reindeer herd' theme with set displays throughout the village on hedges, outside the pub and in residential gardens. Most of the shops in the village take part in one way or another now, lighting and decorating windows and displays themes especially for December. String of lights are put up across Grove Hill by a small group of volunteers at the end of November/ beginning of December ... so that Santa can see them for light-up weekend at the beginning of December. A real tree used to be set up outside the pub annually, but as the celebrations at switch on grew this ended up slightly blocking the road so got moved into the carpark in The Square where it could have even more lights and twinkles.

We have on occasion tried 'tree alternatives' ... but these all end up being not quite so holly- jolly so are going back to a real tree this year. No-one can remember a year since 2000 where there have been no lights – even during lockdown the reindeer came out to play, even if a bit spread out.

Hope this is enough info for you

Ta

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From: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] 2023 09:03

To: Lisa Clements <clerk@mawnan.org.uk>;

Subject: Re: Mawnan Parish Council "Documenting the history of Cornwall's Christmas Lights"

Hi Lisa

I was involved for a short time the first people I remember being involved were Percy and Beth ,Martin Tremayne and possibly Philip Moyle

Martin made the original Wooden candles which I still have one.

If I find anything else I will let you know

I have some photos of the lights somewhere

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

From: Lisa Clements <clerk@mawnan.org.uk>

Sent: 22 November 2023 08:32

To:

Subject: FW: Mawnan Parish Council "Documenting the history of Cornwall's Christmas Lights"

Hi [REDACTED]

Don't suppose that you might be able to answer any of this ... apart from the last 9 years I have no idea

Ta

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 November 2023 23:13
To: clerk@mawnan.org.uk
Subject: Mawnan Parish Council "Documenting the history of Cornwall's Christmas Lights"

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Documenting the history of Cornwall's Christmas Lights

Message Body:

Hello, Mawnan Council.

I am writing to enquire about the history of Mawnan's Christmas Lights. This will be for a interactive time-line of when and where Christmas lights first appeared. Ideally, the date and month. However, the year alone is very beneficial.

Additionally, if there are years to which the Christmas Lights did not turn on for any reason, establishments of parades, that would be great to know.

Thank you very much,
[REDACTED]

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Lisa Clements

From: Lisa Clements <clerk@mawnan.org.uk>
Sent: 30 November 2023 10:01
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Funding

Ok

Not sure what you mean by insurances for switch on? The PC cover gets lumped into our public liability so we cover those setting up the light in this and then the lights from setting up to taking down on an accidental damage basis nothing more. We don't cover any related events to switching them on.

As for buying the house next door to the memorial Hall that has been raised before but the £500,000+ price tag then was a bit steep, hate to think what it would be now. I can't think of any funding as it's not currently in use as a community asset/venue, so cannot tap into the Community Right to Bid funding streams. The only other option would be some form of 'community share issue' where the parish buy into it ... but that would need additional regular funding to maintain/do repairs/cover bills & utilities - I cannot see storage or an irregular community café covering this.

It also wouldn't have much of an effect on hall parking as there are only a couple of spaces outside ... unless you intend taking out the garden to the rear and paving it, but that would only give a handful of new spaces (time you factor in an entrance from the hall side and an exit on the Eveleth side- so losing the hall's existing rear parking) and a lot more costs for very few parking spots.

Ta

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 30 November 2023 08:47

To: Lisa <clerk@mawnan.org.uk>

Subject: Funding

Hi Lisa

I hope you are keeping well.

I just wanted to ask you about funding for the village to purchase the house next to the memorial hall, it would lend itself to great car parking facilities, plus the house could be used for storage or even turned into a tea room for the hall to raise revenue. On that note do you know of any funding streams that would allow for the purchase of such a property that would be beneficial to the village. I know we can do crowdfunding and get some from other areas, I just wanted to know if there is anything else that could come from the PC or from the County Council, especially if they do double yellow the road.

Christmas light switch on Friday 1st December are we still covered?

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

Durgan Meeting Notes (Summer 2023)

Date: 31st July 2023,

In Attendance: Gareth Lay (General Manager, National Trust), Guy Potter, Robert Reid, Rex Sadler, Phil Moyle (Parish Councillors), Graham Lawrence (Resident)

Introduction:

These notes are from a meeting on the 31st of July between members of the Parish Council and residents of Durgan with Gareth Lay, (National Trust). The aim of the meeting was to discuss the multi-faceted issues experienced in the local area (Grebe, Durgan, Bosveal) and explore possible solutions that can be actioned by the National Trust and the Parish Council together. The intention is to find solutions to relieve pressure on the area from increasing visitor numbers and changes in usage - for residents, locals and visitors alike.

Quick Summary of suggestions:

National Trust related:

1. Bosveal Car park: Height restriction bars, improved overnight camping enforcement, bins/toilets/facilities, changes to the dates of granite block cut-off for overflow, installation of gravel/plastic matting to remove need for granite blocks (PC could contribute), **installation of a Car Park team (Volunteers, NT team, shed/booth).**
2. Access down the hill: Clarify ownership of verges down the hill and if NT owned then reduce size of lay-bys/passing places, increase/renew signage, & again installation of car park team with comms to fish cellar would help reduce this issue at peak times.
3. Durgan Village: Enforcement of slipway fees at peak times working together with possible car park team to advise/filter, clarify the parking for overnight visitors and residents (monitor with Fish Cellar team), provide window permits/signs for overnight guests (both NT and residents?) manage the dinghy/tender dumping on the slipway more effectively with permit reduction/regulation by fish cellar team.
4. Bosveal/Durgan car park junction: improve NT signage on entry and clearly state that Bosveal Car Park is the allocated/correct place for Grebe Beach and Durgan Village.

Cornwall Council/Highways Related:

1. Bosveal Car park: N/A (owned by NT).
2. Access down the hill: change in restrictions to 'no stopping/waiting' as suggested by Viv Bidgood using Ferryboat hill/Helford passage as precedent – but is desired that this only be pursued if NT actions did not work.
3. Durgan Village: Making sure any future restrictions end at the slipway tarmac.
4. Bosveal Car Park Junction: refresh signage as currently in disrepair and in poor positioning, also suggested that the white lines on the road surface should funnel the road traffic into Bosveal car park first, rather than Durgan - both are dead ends and it currently encourages you to drive straight into a restricted zone unaware.

Detail:

Bosveal Car Park:

Upon meeting in Bosveal Car Park we briefly discussed areas of concern from the previous meeting (of just Parish Councillors) the summer before (2022). These included:

1. Concerns around the numbers of people camping overnight & in motorhomes /campervans - the car park's access is unrestricted with only a polite notice of 'no overnight camping' exists currently. **Suggestions:** height restriction bars and some form of enforcement (Guy Potter discussed being moved-on by a NT employee in a van near St Ives whilst working at the G7 summit due to being in a layby overnight himself, yet that doesn't happen in this area?).
2. Toilet paper, presumed human waste & rubbish in the bushes. Increasing occurrences due to overnight camping. **Suggestions:** bins/toilets, or overnight restrictions.
3. Large granite stones installed to block off the grass area for winter parking: Current plan of opening and closing overflow grass area depending on seasonal demand doesn't seem to be working with the tourism season becoming less clear-cut and visitor numbers increasing. **Suggestions:** open-up earlier, but that raises the issue of grass being damaged. Which leads to...
4. Grass damage from cars parking on 'overflow' grass section. **Suggestions:** plastic matting or extension of the gravelled area to keep it open year-round and prevent chance parking in Mawnan Smith. Parish Council has paid for gravel at the crossroads on the NT's behalf already – open to contribution again? As Mawnan parking already an issue, we need to stop a spread from Bosveal to the village/crossroads.
5. It is believed by residents, parish councillors and National Trust that increased NT presence (volunteers, team, a car park shed/booth) at peak times or beyond would greatly reduce the pressure on the village, beach and chance parking down the hill - using other areas like Kynance Cove or Godrevy as precedent. Visitor numbers at Grebe/Bosveal/Durgan are becoming similar to these other hotspots at peak times yet the approach of managing it is not the same.

Access down the hill, to Grebe Beach & Durgan

Chance parking beyond Bosveal towards Durgan is an increasingly contentious issue, with visitors' cars regularly parking in the 'emergency service only' passing places, residents bays & even on Durgan beach. This makes the legitimate back and forth access for the slipway, drop-off and residents/holiday lets overnight parking even more difficult than it already is.

1. The emergency lay-bys/passing places opposite the footpath entrance to Grebe are consistently full of cars despite signage. This causes back-ups and congestion and, in the past, has prevented emergency services from accessing the beach/village in life-threatening situations. **Suggestions:** clarify ownership of the verges/lay-bys and determine whether that is National Trust or Highways/Council. If National trust, the lay-bys could be filled in slightly (Rex Sadler explained this has happened before further up) so they resemble passing bays rather than parking bays. NT could also increase/improve their signage and attempt to enforce accordingly but would be best if people prevented from coming down at the top to avoid conflict. If Highways owned, then there is an available option pre-discussed to change restrictions on the road to 'no stopping/waiting' using Ferryboat Hill/Helford passage as precedent.
2. Road restrictions are currently 'permitted vehicles only'. By Highway's own admission there is no list of permitted vehicles, cannot ever be one and it's now not enforceable even if they have done so in the past. Viv Bidgood has suggested changing the restrictions to 'No stopping/waiting', therefore enabling enforcement. However, this has its own complications, and is desired by all parties for this be the final option. Further suggestions that NT car park presence

in Bosveal and refreshed signage at the Bosveal Car Park junction could help with this and prevent it – especially if a car park team could communicate with fish-cellar team pre-warn etc. It is thought the majority of passing bay parking is due to Grebe Beach, and people not understanding access or wanting to carry equipment.

Durgan Village:

The village is small, busy and is a dead end with restricted access. As such it experiences pedestrian crowding and vehicle congestion, mixed with boat launches and beach-users driving down to access/try park closer to the beach. There is parking for residents and overnight visitors (National Trust & Private holiday lets) on NT land, but no public parking available. It is believed that solving problems further up the hill would be best approach.

1. Boat/equipment launches using the NT owned slipway are meant to be done on a fee-paying basis but currently this isn't enforced. There is fear of conflict as this has previously been experienced. It is also hard to manage with tidal launching and local knowledge of this, but a lot of the car traffic is due to smaller craft launching (SUP & Kayak) and then people trying to park in the village to avoid driving up to car park and walking back down. **Suggestions:** enforcement in peak times (Summer holiday weekends etc) using either the Fish Cellar team or the possible car park team to filter before they reach Durgan, rather than hoping people pay to launch within Glendurgan Gardens which few people do. Also suggested that if preferred maybe signage and an honesty box would help.
2. Visitors trying to park in un-allocated spaces within the village. **Suggestions:** clearly sign/mark out which space does what for whom, pre-warn overnight guests about no two car parking, temporary laminated signs for car windows provided by NT/private holiday lets. Fish cellar could help manage situation at peak times if & when they clearly see beach users empty a car and abandon it in the village.
3. Overcrowded boats on the slipway – either too many permits available for tenders/dinghies or not enough enforcement of random dumping. It is thought there are 10 permits available for the slipway currently, but 15+ boats on it over the summer and on the telephone box side too. It was agreed however that all parties preferred boats to cars, as boats fill spaces otherwise possible to park in.
4. Fish cellar has increased in its presence, now selling ice cream, with internet connection and providing seating/bins. No parties object to this, but it was believed that increased presence causes a hotspot at peak times with visitors' cars pushing through to escape with the crowd present, having made the error of travelling down. However, the presence of bins was very welcome. **Suggestion:** again filter cars from the top first via car park team, fish cellar could help enforce if pre-warned.

Back up the hill, to the Bosveal car park Junction:

The group travelled back up the hill to check on existing highways & car park entry signage.

1. The council provided signage is dirty, out of shape and not directly in plain view – sometimes hidden by foliage. **Suggestion:** either new/replaced signage or repair from council. Including some cleaning/cutting back. Addition of a 'dead end' sign.
2. The lines on the road actively encourage users to continue down the hill when coming down the hill, rather than go into the car park first – both are dead ends. **Suggestion:** different lines on the road, funnelling people into car park first, acting like a turning junction into Durgan: currently it encourages users straight down.
3. Signage into Bosveal Car Park not obvious that it's for Grebe Beach (the majority of users) despite that being a NT advertised destination. **Suggestion:** specific signage, 'for users of Grebe Beach and visitors to Durgan' or similar.

Conclusion:

As described by many of these points, the consensus is to try and nip the issues in the bud at Bosveal car park first, prior to attempting to micro-manage the issues caused by knock-on effect at Grebe and in Durgan Village. It was thought by all parties that the formation of a NT presence in Bosveal Car Park be the most useful/desired of all these suggestions as this would render the other issues less of a priority - despite the issues all being relevant and equally impactful. Both the residents and Parish Councillors were keen to see more National Trust presence in the area as it is believed the 'left to it's own devices' approach to Boseval Car Park and Grebe Beach is the root cause of many of the issues faced. All parties agreed to make effort to solve the problems experience by the area, and that the issues the National Trust were capable of solving be prioritised, prior to any approach being made to County Council/Highways for their solutions - as changing the road restrictions was seen as the action to take should the rest not work.