

St Martin – By - Looe Parish Council

**MINUTES FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AT 7.30PM. HELD ON THURSDAY
25th JULY 2024 AT NO MAN'S LAND MEMORIAL HALL.**

Attended by:

Chairman: Robert Henly.
Vice-Chair: Roberta Powley.
Parish Councillors: Barbara Reynolds, Andrea Lankston,
County Councillor Armand Toms.
Charles Hyde, Parish Clerk & Proper Officer of the Council.

Public Question Time and Councillors Comments on Declared Interests:

The Oaks Caravan Park – Informed Members present that the trees on Bucklawren Road will be trimmed to 2 metres below the electricity cables running along the road. The work is anticipated to start in the first week of October.

Agenda Item 1: Declarations of Interest:

None declared.

Agenda Item 2: Apologies for absence:

PCSO David Billing.
Parish Councillors: Jill Spicer, David Keeble, Simon Lawes.
Matt Way – Tregoad Holiday Park.

Agenda Item 3: Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting:

3.1.1: Minutes for the Parish Meeting held on 13th June 2024 Unable to approve due to insufficient Councillors attending. Carry forward to the September meeting.

Agenda Item 4: Planning Applications:

4.1.1: Application No: PA24/04612.

Proposal: Change of use of land to recreational uses in connection with the holiday park.

Location: Tregoad Caravan And Camping Park, St Martin, Looe, Cornwall.

Applicant: Tregoad Holiday Park Ltd.

Grid Ref: 227222 / 55940.

Parish Council's Decision: Approved by delegated authority, following email consultation.

4.1.2: Application No: PA24/04758.

Proposal: Infilling the existing holiday park with up to 9 lodges (7 lodges retrospective and 2 proposed), with up to 5 lodges to have mixed holiday and staff accommodation use, and the installation of a new bus stop, together with associated works.

Location: Tregoad Caravan And Camping Park, St Martin, Looe, Cornwall.

Applicant: Tregoad Holiday Park Ltd.

Grid Ref: 227222 / 55940.

Parish Council's Decision: Approved. Proposed by Vice Chairman Powley, seconded by Councillor Reynolds, all agreed.

Agenda Item 5: Planning Decisions received by the date of the meeting:

5.1.1: Application No: PA24/01461. APPROVED

Applicant: Ms. Olive and Louise Western.

Location: The Oaks Holiday Park, Bucklawren Road, No Mans Land, Looe, Cornwall, PL13 1QR.

Proposal: Proposed creation of 6 additional touring pitches, retention of the permeable surfacing in respect of 6 existing touring pitches, use of 5 existing touring pitches approved under PA16/05973 for year-round holiday use, and extension to toilet/shower block.

Cornwall Council's Decision: Approved with conditions, (as circulated to all Parish Councillors by email).

Agenda Item 6: Planning Matters:

None received.

6.2: Correspondence: Forwarded by email where possible.

Agenda Item 7: – Finance.

7.1.1: Summary of Accounts.

Reconciled balances date 25/07/2024.

Opening Bank Balances 1 st April 2024	£25,227.05
Income to date	£6,792.43
Expenditure to date	£1,777.05
Balance to date	£30,242.43

7.2: Accounts paid in June 2024.

Cheque No	Organisation	Amount
BACS	CF Hyde – Clerks May 2024 Internet package & expenses.	50.00
BACS	Cornwall Council - Clerks Salary May 2024.(Including backpay)	800.28
BACS	Paid by C Hyde – HP Smart Ink Plan April – May Invoice	5.49
BACS	CALC Code of Conduct Training Jill Spicer	24.00
	Total	879.77

7.3: Income in June 2024.

13-Jun-24	Samantha Griffiths AD REVENUE	£	60.00
21-Jun-24	Tregoad AD REVENUE	£	20.00
28-Jun-24	Bond interest	£	24.36
	Total	£	104.36

It was proposed by Councillor Reynolds, seconded by Councillor Lankston that Items 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 are ratified. ALL AGREED.

7.4: Requests for Funding received by date of meeting.

None received.

7.5: Receipts and letters of thanks received by the date of the meeting.

None received.

7.6: Financial Business.

7.6.1: New Financial Regulations – Sent to all Parish Councillors to review. Need to formally adopt at this meeting. Formally adopted at this meeting, proposed by Councillor Lankston, seconded by Vice Chairman Powley. All agreed.

7.6.2: Annual Audit Completed – Auditor recommended Asset Register be revisited for next year. Fee £100 to be and honorarium amount donated to the Monkey Sanctuary.

7.7.1: Accounts to be paid in July 2024.

It was proposed by Councillor Reynolds, seconded by Vice Chairman Powley that the following be authorised for payment. ALL AGREED.

Cheque No	Organisation	Amount
BACS	CF Hyde – Clerks June 2024 Internet package & expenses.	50.00
BACS	Cornwall Council - Clerks Salary June 2024.	722.93
BACS	Cornwall Council – Magazine printing	57.95
BACS	Western Webb – setting up email accounts for councillors	86.40
BACS	Business Services – Annual insurance Premium	424.58
BACS	HP Instant Ink (Monthly Subscription, paid by C Hyde)	5.49
BACS	Honorarium Audit Fee to be donated to the Monkey Sanctuary	100.00
	Total	1447.35

Agenda Item 8: Reports on Matters arising from the Minutes.

8.1.1: No 6 Bucklawren Road – Numerous vehicles parked on the grass verge, including a camper van with appears to have someone using it overnight, also concerns about its legality. The Clerk contacted Cormac as own the land in question. Response from William Glassup received below:

If the vehicle has no tax or MOT this needs to be reported to the DVLA. Cornwall Council do not have powers to remove vehicles or enforce poor parking, without the aid of a Traffic Regulation Order (parking restrictions).

Dangerous parking/obstructions causing safety issues need to be reported to the Police.

Discussions ensued, and it was agreed County councillor Armand Toms would contact William Glassup at Cormac again on our behalf to express our disappointment at his reply.

8.1.2: B3253 Hedges need cutting – Millendreath junction visibility poor due to hedge growth, also at the Cuddy Shack entrance. The Clerk to reported to Cormac. Email received stating work has been completed.

8.1.3: B3253 proposed speed reduction – In view of the two serious accidents at Island Cross could we please ask again for a rethink into extending the proposed 40mph limit to Dovers. The Clerk contacted William Glassup at Cormac. Response received below:

Dear Charles,

Thanks for your email.

I acknowledge the concerns of the Parish Council, after the recent incidents on the B3253.

The details from the Police have yet to be released to the council, so would be wrong to comment on the causes of the incidents. However, blanketing this entire area as a 40mph limit would no doubt cause lack of compliance. The following are important factors when considering what is an appropriate speed limit:

- *history of collisions, including frequency, severity, types and causes;*
- *road geometry and engineering (width, sightlines, bends, junctions, accesses and safety barriers etc.),*
- *road function (strategic, through traffic, local access etc.)*
- *composition of road users (including existing and potential levels of vulnerable road users),*
- *existing traffic speed;*
- *road environment (rural, level of road-side development, shop frontages, schools etc., impacts on residents),*

With the lack of development upon this section of highway, the road characteristics and environment doesn't 'feel' like it should be a 40mph limit (this limit is predominately used within built up areas), this statistically will allow for lack of compliance.

Discussions ensued and it was agreed to express our disappointment at the reply from William Glassup from Cormac. The Clerk to write again.

8.1.4: New Parish Councillor Email addresses – Now up and running, the Clerk will continue to send to old and new for the next two months, however if you are confident the new system is working for you let the Clerk know and you will only receive email on the new account.

Agenda Item 9: Business received after publication of agenda:

9.1.1: Meeting with South West Water – Email received from Simon Lawes below:

Is it possible to ask PC present to agree to contact CC and request a change in legislation to make it mandatory for SWW (or whoever is responsible for sewage) to make them a mandatory consultee and confirm that there is ample capacity even in heavy rain to process sewage from that application. If not then the application is refused or alternative actions made. Please can we request all other Parish Councils do the same.

I will see how Anna Geldred MP responds before attempting to get a petition raised to get the matter debated in Parliament (only 10,000 signatures needed for a government response and 100,000 for a debate, easy).

County Councillor Armand Toms told all present the meeting was very productive with several items discussed, he agreed to keep Members informed at to progress made.

Agenda Item 10: Information received from CC and other Authorities:

10.1.1: Newsletters and Special Bulletins and Notices sent by email.

Agenda Item 11: New Business:

Nothing received.

Agenda Item 12: Around the table:

Councillor Reynolds:

Nothing raised.

Councillor Lankston:

Nothing raised.

Vice Chair Powley:

Bindown Stores – Vice Chairman Powley and Councillor Reynolds have been approached by a Parishioner about the proposed redevelopment of the shop to a takeaway.

Discussions ensued and County Councillor Armand Toms agreed to send the Clerk the original planning application to see if a shop was part of the original conditions. Once received and if found to be the case the Clerk will contact Morval Parish Council.

Widegates Lane – The large pothole by the Reading Rooms is back again, it appears to be water damage causing the pothole to keep coming back. The Clerk to report to Cormac.

The Chairman.

Nothing raised.

County Councillor Armand Toms:

Fair Funding for Cornwall – County Councillor Armand Toms is a co-signatory for the campaign for fair funding for Cornwall, compared with Scotland and Wales Cornwall is underfunded by many billions of pounds.

A38 – Since 2015 only one of the identified projects has been completed and that was the Carkeel roundabout improvement. So many more projects were identified and have been continually shelved. In 2014 – 2018 there were 6 fatalities on the road. 2018 – 2023 there were 9 fatalities.

Airbnb – There are 22,000 properties in Cornwall.

Biffa Waste Collections from properties classified as a business – Discussions ensued as this is an issue in St Martin's Parish also, with holiday accommodation putting out waste with the domestic collections. County Councillor Armand Toms agreed to ask Biffa for a reporting system to be put in place for Clerks to report properties identified as a business.

Date and Time of Next Meetings: 5th September 2024, **Parish Council Meeting** at 7.30pm at the No Man's Land Memorial Hall.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.47pm.