

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2011 at the W.I. Hall, Turnpike Road, Connor Downs commencing at 7.00pm.

<u>Present</u>	Councillors	D Cupples	T Homes
		R Marks	Mrs S Negus
		L Pascoe (Vice Chairman)	B Pocock (Chairman)
		M Roberts	B Slade-Elmes

Others present                      11 members of the public  
Mrs Vida Perrin, Clerk to the Council

To present the Kelvin Jenkin Community Achievement Award. The Chairman advised that due to a family bereavement Mr Thomas, the recipient of the award, was running a little late and the meeting agreed to defer the item until he arrived but for the purposes of the minutes is in agenda order. The Chairman advised the meeting that the award had been given in memory of Cllr Kelvin Jenkin who as a past Chairman of the Council had played a pivotal role in the creation of the Parish Plan and contributed a great amount of time, skill and effort in to the Parish Council in his time with us and it was only fitting to dedicate the award to him and thanked Tracey his wife and his daughters Kylie and Becky for attending tonight to present the award. The Chairman said that Mr Roland Thomas had been nominated by two local Parishioners for his efforts on behalf of the Gwinear Football Club. The comments made by his nominees were as follows: - 'Roland was a founding member of the club and has been constantly involved throughout. The spirit and community among the players and their families that has been created is incalculable, and doubtless has changed lives for the better. This is the sort of enterprise that would solve many social problems today, and the Parish Council must be very proud of it'. 'For approx the last 20 years Roland and the helpers he managed to persuade have leveled a field, moved a Cornish bank and put up goal posts. Roland has washed the kit, marked the line, built the dug outs, fetched the balls from the fields next door and given lots of the local teenagers somewhere to go on training nights and on Saturdays. He built the showers in the barn and when pushed out built the new unit that is there now. I have lived in the Parish since the early 70's and I cannot think of anyone else who has made so much impact to the youth of the Parish than Roland has, if you can find someone better I would like to meet them'. The Chairman along with Kylie and Becky Jenkin presented the award to Roland Thomas and the Chairman thanked everyone again for attending.

To award the winners of the Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council Connor Downs Allotment competition 2011 The Chairman advised the meeting that Cllr Rowe had judged the competition on behalf of the Council and thanked him for his time. The Chairman awarded the prize of best worked allotment to Mr and Mrs Broad and congratulated them on their efforts at the allotment. The Chairman advised the meeting that best kept allotment had been awarded to Diana Rowe and that the award would be posted to her in due course. The Chairman advised the meeting that the allotments had been judged just before Dave Curtis passed away and he was proud to be able to present best overall allotment to Dave's wife, he said that the shield would also be commemorated to Dave Curtis from now on and thanked all those who had attended for the allotment awards.

1. Routine matters

- a) Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr's Spence, Rowe, Crocker & Young and CCllr Tovey.
- b) Members to declare personal and prejudicial interests (including the details thereof) in respect of any items on the Agenda. None.
- c) Public Participation. The Chairman advised that the members of public were in attendance regarding agenda item 5b and that Cllr Marks had received a letter from them but that they had asked her to read it out on their behalf.

*The meeting agreed to bring forward agenda item 5b but for the purposes of the minutes is in agenda item order.*

2. Minutes

- a) To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2011.  
RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

## b) Business arising from the Minutes.

(i) 21/053 (6e) – Events – Gwithian/Godrevy – Cllr Homes informed the meeting that he had been in correspondence with Environmental Protection at CC and the National Trust regarding the ongoing issues with large scale events. He advised that EP have said they will be meeting with the owners this week and are hopeful that there will not be a repeat of the problems made at past events. Cllr Homes said that he would be monitoring the event on the night and would take pictures if required if there is any disruption as evidence against further events. A discussion ensued on how best to protect Gwithian Green to include positioning boulders to paying for security. The Clerk advised that as there was not an agenda item regarding the issue and it involved money and land not owned by the Parish Council she felt it would not be wise to make any hasty decisions. Cllr Pascoe said that he was concerned about anyone volunteering to monitor events on behalf of the Parish Council. The meeting agreed to wait and see how well managed this event was and to ask the GGAG for their comments on future protection of Gwithian Green.

3. Reports

## a) Verbal and Written reports from Parish Councillors/representatives.

i. CNP – Cllr Marks advised the meeting that she had attended the recent CNP meeting where Maxine Hardy gave an update on proposals for a business park at North Quay in Hayle, there is a meeting being organised to encourage potential developers to come to Hayle, some have links to the University in the South West. It is hoped to make a case for the SW marine renewable park, the case will be presented to Ministers in November. ING are still discussing the Hub development, the whole development has an obligation to EU to provide 100-200 jobs. Inspector Jean Phillips was at the meeting and she advised that all the cut backs in Police funding have put immense pressure on local Police forces. Cllr Marks advised that she did raise the issues we face in our Parish with Inspector Phillips but did not really get any answer to the questions raised. The Chairman thanked Cllr Marks for attending the CNP meeting and after a brief discussion the meeting agreed that if no response was forthcoming from the letter written last week to Inspector Phillips a letter be written to the Chief Inspector for Cornwall.

ii. Devolution – The Chairman advised that he had met with Cllr Tovey and Scott Sharples of the devolution team at CC regarding the possible takeover of services such as Gwithian car park and public convenience. He advised that the meeting was positive and that Scott had agreed to get a plan of the area and try and find out who owned what. Scott said that he would also contact a planning officer regarding a meeting to see if the Parish Council's ideas were a possibility in planning terms or not.

b) Update – Objective 9 (VDS/NDO) Cllr Homes. Cllr Homes informed the meeting that he had created an evidence base spreadsheet with two main headings, one for stakeholders and the other for documents/resources. He said that he would pass it to the Clerk for circulation and any information other Cllrs could give him to help create the evidence for the project would be a great help to him. He also advised that he had looked at the application form from CC for the next tranche of grant funding for NDO's and the deadline was 31<sup>st</sup> October, he said that he was happy to fill out the form and would send it to the Clerk before it was submitted. He advised that he was also working on the project initiation document which would help with any grant applications.

4. Correspondence received

a) Devon & Cornwall Police – Engagement with DCPA. Noted

b) Local resident – complaint motorcycle event adj. to Parish cemetery. The Chairman advised that he had been to see the owner of the field who had said that the event had been set up by an outside group but that he was aware of it and in retrospect it probably was too close to the cemetery. The owner said that he was allowed to hold about 6 events per year without needing a license but if there were any further events he would try and ensure they were as far away from the cemetery or any houses as possible.

c) CC – Consultation on proposed changes to the pre-application service. Noted.

d) CC - Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site Consultative Forum. Noted.

e) CNP – community action against crime innovation fund – Reawla. Noted.

5. To consider planning applications

- a) PA11/07542-Bawden-[Erection of extension and associated works - Speckled Hen Barn Penhale Road Carnhell Green Camborne Cornwall TR14 0LT](#) **Planning zone officer – Cllr Slade-Elmes.** Cllr Slade-Elmes said that the area around the application was quite crowded but as the extension in question went out to the back of the property and did not seem to encroach on anyone else she could see no reason to object, she said she had spoken to neighbours and they had raised no concerns, after a brief discussion the meeting RESOLVED that there is no objection.
- b) PA11/03014 - [Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 dwellings - 33 Turnpike Road Connor Downs Hayle Cornwall TR27 5DT](#) **Planning zone officer – Cllr Marks.** Cllr Marks read out a letter she had been given from the residents of a neighbouring property which stated that they objected to the development due to the height of the proposed dwellings and the long and narrow nature of those dwellings which would inhibit the amount of light to the ground floor rooms in their property. The integrated garages reduce the living space to an unacceptable level and the timber cladding to the front in out of character with the surrounding properties. The development will also create another entrance on to the main road. Cllr Marks advised the meeting that she felt the applicants had tried to address the issues raised at the Parish Council meeting when this application was last discussed, she did still think that it would be better to put semi-detached properties on the site and move them over towards the garage to make the light loss minimal on the neighbouring property and had advised the applicant of this, she also felt that the properties were squeezed in to the plot and the living accommodation was inadequate particularly downstairs. After a discussion the meeting RESOLVED that although the new plans are an improvement the Parish Council still believes the two dwellings are over development of a small site and that the living accommodation is sub-standard particularly on the ground floor. The Parish Council are concerned if approved this development will set a precedent for further similar development and would prefer to see either a single replacement dwelling of good proportion or better use of the space to ensure no lack of light to neighbouring properties and better sized internal accommodation.

from correspondence

- c) Cornwall Council - 35 caravans, SEF Fraddam. After a discussion the meeting agreed to write to the planning officer and the chief planning officer expressing their concern and disappointment over the lack of power held by Cornwall Council regarding planning breaches.

6. Other matters requiring decisions of the Council

- a) To approve payment regarding the lease of office at Bosproval Farm and solicitors costs. The meeting RESOLVED that the payment be approved.
- b) To approve a draft statement of works for ESPF and personal protective equipment risk assessment. The meeting RESOLVED to adopt the statement of works for ESPF and personal protective equipment risk assessment but that the Clerk ensures that any Contractor who is approved to work for the Parish Council carries out their own risk assessment for the works.

## 7. Parish Plan To discuss the priorities of the Parish Plan and update the objectives. The Chairman ran through the main projects that had been discussed at the last PPIC meeting as follows:-

**Objective 7: Protecting and preserving our heritage and our community assets.**

- i. Cllr Crocker advised that she had received one quote for fingerposts but needed more information on the condition of the posts. The Clerk said that she would forward former Cllr Thurnell-Read's report to her.
- ii. The meeting agreed that the Clerk ask Maxine Hardy if there was any other funding streams open for refurbishing the posts.
- iii. Cllr Crocker agreed to contact other local councils who have had work done to their fingerposts

**Objective 10: Explore the potential for the Parish Council to engage in housing development schemes for affordable homes.**

The Clerk advised the meeting that the possible developer had met with the potential land owner and the meeting had gone well. She advised that the landowners were currently discussing the possibility of entering in to a contract. The Clerk said that the developer was going to liaise with the Senior Planning Officer at Cornwall Council to talk through the viability of a possible application.

The Clerk noted that she had asked Cllr Rowe to make sure that the Parish Council were copied in on any correspondence between the developer and the planning department as it was crucial that the PC were involved in pre-application discussions.

**Objective 14: To develop initiatives that build upon the tourism industry in the Parish in order to create benefits for the wider community.**

Cllr Crocker advised that she had spoken with a local contractor regarding granite markers and once the PC had decided what size they wanted she could get a better idea of price. The meeting agreed that it would be best for the Clerk and Cllr Crocker to liaise over the possible positions for the boulders so a budget could be set aside.

**Objective 19: Develop a Parish website.**

- i. Cllr Homes advised that the issue of email accounts needed to be resolved and he advised that it may be that the PC has to pay a couple of pounds per person per month for some accounts or a fixed sum per year for this service, but that it was worth having as you could set up emails for things like consultations etc to filter them out over other PC business.
- ii. Cllr Homes said that he would be looking at the profiles sent so far and would contact Cllrs with outstanding profiles to get them all ready for the launch.
- iii. Cllr Homes felt it would be easier if he did the photos and the meeting agreed that a period of time be set aside for this at the next FC meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> October.
- iv. Cllr Pocock advised that there was still an issue with the website not fitting on the page correctly and Cllr Homes agreed to follow this up.
- v. Cllr Roberts asked if we would be holding a launch party and maybe contacting the press. Cllr Pocock thought it was a good idea but that some thought into how we launched the site was needed and Cllr Homes agreed to formulate some ideas.
- vi. The Clerk said that it was imperative that an edit/filter facility was in place for both the website and social media links so that nothing untoward could be placed on the site by outsiders.
- vii. The meeting discussed launching the site and agreed that it was better to do this soon and that it could be added to as and when needed. The Clerk asked that training on how to upload and edit/filter the site be given to staff and key website team members before it is launched and this was agreed.
- viii. The Clerk said that she did feel the planning link was important but that it should not hold up the launch, Cllr Homes agreed to do more research on a possible link.

**Objective 25: Seek to establish and enhance village centres through improvements to the streetscape and traffic management schemes.**

Streetscape Reawla

- i. Cllr Roberts advised that he had contacted British Gas regarding the bollard in the path leading to the playing fields and he had had a phone call from their field person. The bollard is more than just a marker, it has a transmitter in it to monitor the gas flow through this point, and it is possible to move it at a cost although he could not be specific. The field engineer suggested the job to move the bollard was more like a day's work and it would be moved to a position closer to the edge of any new path created.
- ii. The meeting discussed the next steps and ideas such as a 3D model or a Parish tour were discussed. After a discussion the meeting agreed to look in to the feasibility of a Parish tour which would involve borrowing cones to simulate the possible road layout and taking Parishioners along the stretch and getting their views of the project on the ground rather than in a hall with pictures.
- iii. Cllr Roberts said that he was happy to draw up a letter to PHA and run it past the Clerk to see if the idea of moving the hedge back next to the park entrance and putting in a communal shelter and this was agreed by the meeting.
- iv. The meeting discussed extras such as the communal shelter and a new bus shelters and agreed a wish list was needed so that once the project had been budgeted the PC could see what they could and could not afford. Cllr Pocock said that there was a meeting set for the 8<sup>th</sup> November at Trevaskis Farm at 12noon with Maxine Hardy to discuss the way forward with Reawla projects.

**Objective 30: To expand our provision of recreational and play space, and embrace sporting activities, particularly those that can underpin our vision for a more connected community, and for engaging with our young people.**

CDRA – Horsepool project

The Clerk advised that she had informed the CDRA that some money may be available from the PC towards this project. She said that the CDRA were currently working with the owner of the land to draw up a lease which would be held by the CDRA. The meeting agreed that the PC ask the CDRA for a timetable and budget so that the PC could allocate the grant.

Reawla Park

Cllr Roberts said that a letter was needed to consult those living around the park. The Clerk said that as the park was owned by CC we would need to run the letter past them, she agreed to try and get some of the info that was used to promote the project at the meeting at Gwinear Golf Club earlier in the year and put something together.

8. Late or urgent items not on the agenda.
  - i. Sita grant funding - The Clerk advised that information regarding grant aid from Sita had been received and the funding covered most of the Parish, Cllr Homes agreed to look at the criteria on behalf of the Parish Council to see if it could be used to fund projects at Gwithian Green and Reawla.
  - ii. Cornwall Council Budget event-14 November 6pm-8pm. Cllr Homes agreed to attend on behalf of the Parish Council and gave his apologies in advance for the Parish Council meeting that night.
  
9. Agenda items for future meetings
  - a) Raised in public participation. None.
  - b) Raised by members. None.
  - c) Late items notified to the Clerk. None.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.