

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council held on Monday 8th August 2011 at the WI Hall, Turnpike Rd, Connor Downs commencing at 7.00pm.

<u>Present</u>	Councillors	A Crocker	T Homes
		R Marks	Mrs S Negus
		M Roberts	S Rowe
		A Young	

Others present

Cllr R Tovey CC
 Mr Duncan Thurnell-Read
 Mrs Vida Perrin, Clerk to the Council

Cllr Rowe agreed to Chair the meeting

1. Routine matters

- a) Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr's Slade-Elmes, Pocock, Cupples, Pascoe & Spence.
- b) Members to declare personal and prejudicial interests (including the details thereof) in respect of any items on the Agenda. Cllr Negus declared an interest in item 5b of the agenda.
- c) Public Participation. None.

2. Minutes

- a) To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 25th July 2011. After two minor alterations it was RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
- b) Business arising from the Minutes.
 - (i) 21/037 (2) – Cllr Roberts asked that an item be placed on a future agenda regarding a discussion on the way forward on planning issues at the Towans and this was agreed by the meeting.
 - (ii) 21/038 (4b) – Cllr Rowe advised the meeting that he and the Clerk had attended a site meeting along with a Planning Officer and Senior Planning Officer from Cornwall Council and local residents regarding a planning application to convert a ruin at Callose Lane West in to a dwelling. Cllr Rowe advised that the officers would be sending their observations to the Council on the application once they had spoken to Building Control and had not at this point made any decision on the application.

3. Reports

- a) Report from the Police Neighbourhood Beat Manager. The Clerk circulated the Police report and advised the meeting that Sgt Dobson was arranging a meeting with the Chairman of the Council and CCllr Tovey for September to discuss speeding issues in Connor Downs. The meeting agreed to ask the Chairman to raise issues regarding speeding both in the Gwinear Ward and Roseworthy at the meeting with Sgt Dobson.
- b) Verbal and Written reports from Parish Councillors/representatives. Cllr Young gave a report on the conversation event held by Alex Robertson of Cornwall Council at the end of July. He advised that the meeting was very well attended and mainly focused around the problems Cornwall Council had had amalgamating the six District Council's methods of work and computer systems which were not compatible and even though a lot of progress has been made in setting up a new system and up to date policies there was still a lot of work to do and it would take at least a couple more years before any real progress would be seen. There were questions from the floor regarding cuts to services and the length of time being taken on certain projects and the answer always seemed to be there is not enough money in the pot. The question of the large expenditure on Camborne and Truro was raised and the answer was that 78 major offices were inherited throughout Cornwall, a number of offices are to close and others will have some departments moved to Camborne or Truro hence the expenditure but this over time should save money in the long run. Desk sharing will also be introduced to minimize the extra accommodation required. The idea of moving the Council's One Stop Shop services into Libraries should make considerable savings and ensure the continuation of both services. One final point: Cornwall Council now has to work and liaise with a total of 213 Parish and Town Councils across Cornwall.

4. Correspondence received

- a) PHA Annual Review – Invite – Tue 20 Sept – 6.45pm – Tregenna Castle, St Ives. Cllr Roberts said that he would like to attend if the Chairman could not and this was agreed.
- b) Cllr Tovey – Correspondence re Car Parking Charges. Cllr Tovey explained that it would be another couple of weeks before Cornwall Council would know if the new pricing will work but he was confident that they were fairer for all without cutting revenue. Cllr Tovey advised that with possible devolution Parish and Town Councils could take over services and could look at ways of generating income.
- c) CC – Local Council Planning Forum – Invite – Mon 3 Oct 5.30pm – St Austell One Stop Shop. Cllr Homes said that he was happy to attend the meeting and this was agreed.
- d) CALC – The future of the Code of Conduct. The meeting agreed to send a representative to the meeting in September once information on dates had been received

5. To consider planning applications

- a) PA11/05691-Lloyd-Valley View 6 Calloose Lane East, Leedstown. Installation of a domestic scale ground mounted PV array. **Planning zone officer – Cllr Rowe.** Cllr Rowe advised the meeting that he had visited the site and in his opinion it did not overlook anyone else or would cause any nuisance to anyone and in his opinion could see no reason to object. The meeting discussed the application and Cllr Rowe's observations, voted and RESOLVED that there is no objection.

From correspondence

- b) PA11/02650-Nunes-25 Reawla Lane. Extension to dwelling-Correspondence from local resident. The Clerk advised the meeting that she had received a letter from a local resident which had been copied to Councillors with the agenda. The resident had concerns over the way in which the Council dealt with planning applications and after a discussion with the Chairman she had written a draft letter explaining the Council's procedure. The draft letter was passed to members to read and after a discussion the meeting RESOLVED that the letter be sent.

6. Other matters requiring decisions of the Council

- a) Receipts and payments: to approve the statement for the period ending on 8th August 2011 and the payments due.

1380	Wybone – 2 no. Litter bins – ESPF	664.49
1381	GDVA – Signpost Article – Aug/Sept 2011	10.00
	Cuthbertson & Rapson – Refurbish cemetery	
1382	gates	456.00
1383	Grassmats – plastic pegs for grass matting-ESPF	7.50
1384	Cornwall Council – CPO June 2011	180.00
1385	Hall for Gwinear – Hall hire 21/6/11	10.00
1386	Red Snapper Design-logo work to date	150.00
1387	Mrs V Perrin – staff wages	1283.42
1388	PAYE & NI	440.64
1389	Multesign – GGPC Banner	86.40
		3288.45

RESOLVED that the payments be accepted.

- b) To receive and approve the Income & Expenditure Statement for the first quarter of the 2011/12 accounts. The Clerk advised the meeting that Cllr Crocker as Financial Auditing Councillor had signed off the quarter and the meeting RESOLVED to approve the statement.
- c) To consider designs for a Parish Council logo. After a discussion the meeting agreed to defer the item due to the number of absent Councillors.
- d) To approve clean up maintenance to the office laptop. The Clerk advised the meeting that after speaking with the Chairman he had felt it would be worth updating the office laptop to Windows 7 which would speed it up and this would cost around £80 and would be taken from the office equipment reserve. The meeting RESOLVED to approve the expenditure.

- e) To approve dates for Parish Council Award events. Cllr Negus noted that if the ceremony was held in September the Parish Council would not be able to advertise in local newsletters as one published late in September and the other had no issue in September. The meeting RESOLVED to hold the events one month later in October.

7. Late or urgent items not on the agenda

- a) Reawla projects-Vintage Rally. Cllr Roberts asked if any Councillors could assist him with the stall at the vintage rally and Cllrs Crocker and Homes agreed to contact Michael to arrange a timetable for Saturday. Cllr Tovey said that he may also be able to help on the day.
- b) PPIC – The Clerk advised the meeting that an informal meeting of the PPIC would be held on Thursday the 18th August at Cllr Pocock’s home and that he was hoping to invite the Website designers to show the draft website and help Cllrs with their emails.
- c) ESPF vandalism – The Clerk advised that she had been contacted by the Police regarding restorative measures for the offenders. She advised that the Parish Council would have to check its own insurance if any voluntary work was to be carried out. After a discussion the meeting agreed it would be fairer for all the offenders to carry out some voluntary work and agreed to ask the youth group if they would accept the offenders working with them alongside the Parish Council in the area and if not that the offenders could possible work with the Community Pride Officer.
- d) Dog Fouling – Higher Goneva Lane, Rosewarne Road to Gwinear School. The Clerk advised that she had received a phone call last week regarding the issue and had asked the CPO to take a look and asked the contractor who cuts the rights of way to prioritize the path which was in urgent need of trimming. The Clerk advised she had today received 3 letters from residents living close to the lane regarding the issue. The meeting resolved to copy the letters to the dog warden and ask that he investigate the matter and speak with the residents to try and ascertain who the culprits were. The Clerk also agreed to write back to the residents to advise them that action was being taken.
- e) Annual Return – The Clerk advised that the Audit Commission had today returned the Annual Return for 2010/11 and had raised no concerns or questions.

8. Agenda items for future meetings

- a) Raised in public participation. None.
- b) Raised by members. Cllr Homes asked that an item regarding community provision of Library Services be put on a future agenda, he said that a recent paper on the issue had been written and agreed to read the paper and make a report for Council to discuss.
- c) Late items notified to the Clerk. None.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.05pm.