

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council held on Monday 28th January 2013 at the Parish Office, Unit 3 Bosproval Business Units, Penhale Road, Carnhell Green, Camborne commencing at 7.00pm.

<u>Present</u>	Councillors	A Crocker	D Cupples
		T Homes	Mrs S Negus
		L Pascoe	B Pocock (Chairman)
		M Roberts	S Rowe (Vice Chairman)

Others present

Mrs Vida Perrin, Clerk to the Council
 Cllr Spencer-Smith - St Erth Parish Council
 Mr & Mrs Kent, Mr Law.
 Ms Edwards – Good Energy

1. Routine matters

- a) Safety Procedure – The Chairman advised the meeting of the fire exits, location of toilets and asked that mobile phones be switched off during the meeting.
- b) Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Young and Slade-Elmes and Mrs S Furneaux.
- c) Members to declare personal and prejudicial interests (including the details thereof) in respect of any items on the Agenda. *Cllr Pascoe declared that “In commenting on any item on this agenda I should make it clear that my comments are based on the information currently available and do not commit me to taking the same position when the matter is discussed at Cornwall Council and full information is available”.*
- d) Public Participation.
 - i. Mr Law advised that he had nearly fallen over trying to negotiate the car park outside the office when he attended the last meeting and had asked that a light be put up. The Chairman noted that a light had now gone up and this was working at present. Mr Law acknowledged this.
 - ii. Mr Law of Rosewarne Park advised that he would like the Parish Council to consider providing a salt bin for the road outside the complex and the entrance in to it.
 - iii. Mr Law asked for an update on the footpath project for outside Rosewarne Park leading to the railway crossing. The Clerk advised that the Parish Council had formally passed the project over to the Carnhell Green Traffic Management Group. Cllr Roberts advised that the group had put together a survey, which included the notion of a footpath and the results of this survey were being collated.
 - iv. Mr Law asked if the management group at the complex could take over ownership of the grassed area outside of Rosewarne Park. The Chairman felt that the first port of call would be Highways as this would probably fall under their ownership. The Chairman advised that the Parish Council have written to George Eustice regarding the issues of traffic and road safety and he had stated in a conversation that the letter should be with us shortly with a contact at Cornwall Council regarding this particular issue.
 - v. Mr Law advised that a contractor had cut the hedging opposite Rosewarne Park and had left debris in the road. The Clerk advised that she had contacted CC regarding this and they confirmed the debris had been cleared. Mr Law said that there was still some branches in the gateway past Rosewarne Park leading towards Trevaskis and farm machinery coming in and out was dragging the debris back on to the road. The Clerk agreed to investigate the matter further.

As Ms Edwards was late for the meeting the meeting agreed to continue with the agenda from item 3, which is in agenda order for the purposes of the minutes.

2. Presentation

Presentation by Good Energy – Proposed solar development; Lanyon Farm.

- i. Ms Edwards presented a slideshow of the proposals to include the extent of the site, community benefit, land use, access, security and workforce.
- ii. Cllr Roberts advised that the existing solar site had stated originally that they would have panels high enough for animals to graze under but had since had to change them due to wind conditions. Ms Edwards stated that an easy way around this would be to increase the length of poles underground to ensure the land could be grazed.

- iii. Cllr Rowe said that the land at Lanyon was not currently grazed anyway. Ms Edwards said that it would not be compulsory for the land to be grazed but could be of benefit if it was.
- iv. Cllr Homes felt that it was very important for the company to look at the landscape assessment carefully. He felt that the site had potential to be visible from Godrevy Head and St Ives. Cllr Pocock felt that good photo montages, particularly from areas of visibility would be required.
- v. Cllr Homes said that the access along Gwinear Lane was very poor and there were already problems with regard to the School and parking. He felt that access to the site, particularly during construction needed to be right.
- vi. Cllr Cupples asked if the panel would be fully fixed or trackers. Ms Edwards advised they would be fully fixed panels.
- vii. Cllr Roberts said that the other solar site had changed hands throughout the process which made it difficult to keep a track of works. Ms Edwards said that she could not guarantee this would not happen with this site but that she felt it would be in the company's best interest to keep the site.
- viii. Cllr Pascoe commented that in the presentation Ms Edwards had said the Country could be self sufficient through renewable energy by 2050. How much agricultural land would be left if more schemes like this are needed to be self sufficient and where will food be grown. Ms Edwards said that sites are usually grade 3 so not for crop growing and there are other renewable that can sustain the Country such as wind, wave and bio mass. Ms Edwards did say it was a valid point to make.
- ix. Cllr Spencer-Smith asked if could speak and this was agreed. He asked whether there would be a local rate for the electricity. Ms Edwards advised that they would be carrying out the scheme under a renewable obligation certificate so it would not fit into this particular scheme.
- x. Cllr Pocock felt that the community benefit was low compared to other sites within the area.

3. Minutes

- a) To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th January 2013. RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
- b) Business arising from the Minutes. None.

Ms Edwards of Good Energy arrived and item 2 was taken here but is in agenda order for the purpose of the minutes.

4. Reports

- a) Verbal and Written reports from Parish Councillors/representatives.
 - i. CGTMG – Cllr Roberts advised that he had written a report and asked for approval to write to Cllr Pascoe as CC rep to ask for support with the projects the group were looking at. It was RESOLVED that a letter be written to Cllr Pascoe.
 - ii. Towans Partnership - Cllr Roberts advised he written a report and asked for approval to write to GTRA and ask if the Parish Council could have a copy of the Management Scheme for the car park. The meeting RESOLVED that a letter be written to GTRA.
 - iii. Streetscape – Cllr Pascoe advised that he had spoken to the Clerk and asked if it would be worthwhile him trying to speak to Highways about the project in his capacity as Local Member and the Clerk had felt this would be helpful. Cllr Pascoe had spoken with Mike Peters and had been advised that the project had been held up due to a number of changes along the way. A discussion ensued and it was felt that the Parish Council had not altered the scheme unless it had been prompted to do so by Highways since the scheme was signed off by the PC in July 2012, it was unclear if Mr Peteres was referring to the Parish Council and clarity was needed. The meeting RESOLVED that the Clerk put together a list of correspondence between the Parish Council and Highways since the project was signed off and send this to Cllr Pascoe for further investigation with Highways.
 - iv. CDRA – Cllr Homes advised that the CDRA had agreed to hold its fete on the 1st June this year and it would be their 10th anniversary. He advised that the Horsepool Road project was coming along nicely and that the area had been seeded with grass and the project should be on its way again shortly. He advised that the CDRA facebook page should be going live soon. The CDRA had queried whether the pedestrian opening on the Ocean Housing was too wide and were concerned that no barrier was in place. The Clerk agreed to investigate.

5. Correspondence received

- a) Cornwall Council – Notification of intention to issue a Temporary Road Closure Order; Gwinear Road, Connor Downs; 2nd-3rd May 2013; Annual level crossing review. Noted
- b) Cornwall Council – Notification of intention to issue a Temporary Road Closure Order; Relistian Lane, Reawla; 25th February to 1st March 2013; Block paving works. Noted
- c) CPRE – Invitation for 3-5 members of the Parish Council’s NDP team to attend a Cornwall Neighbourhood Planning “Getting on Track” workshop; 20th February 2013, 9:00-16:30, in Truro. The Clerk agreed to attend.
- d) Local resident – Letter of concern with debris left on the highway (Gwinear Road) from contractors cutting hedgerows. The meeting noted this had come up under public participation and had agreed to look in to it further.
- e) CPRE – Request for Groups to lobby Cornwall Council on the 31st January 2013 to reduce the proposed housing target for the county from 38,000 to 29,000; and notification of a meeting of TruroCONCERN to discuss this on Friday 25th January 2013, 7pm, Trelawney Room, New County Hall. It was felt by the meeting that this Parish Council would be looking at the evidence through discussions with Homechoice, developers and through the Neighbourhood Planning process.

6. To consider planning applications

- a) PA12/11969 - [Conversion of barns to form two dwellings, installation of septic tank and associated works - Agricultural Buildings Adjacent To 4 Coswinsawsin Lane Coswinsawsin Lane Carnhell Green Cornwall](#) – Mr Smith. **Planning zone officer – Cllr Roberts.** Cllr Roberts did note that the Parish Council had felt they could not support an application in 2010 due to the buildings not being worthy of retention. The meeting discussed the application and felt that under the current system this reason may not be enough to object to the application. The meeting RESOLVED that there would be no objection assuming a suitable section 106 contribution with an element of community benefit was sought and that under the draft Local Plan any development with 2 or more new residents would need to contribute in this way.

Cllr Roberts declared an interest in items 6b&c as a neighbour to the site.

- b) PA13/00284 – [Listed building consent for a proposed domestic 2 bay carport and domestic store - The Old Manse 41 Wall Road Wall Hayle Cornwall TR27 5HA](#) – Mr Vickers. **Planning zone officer – Cllr Homes.** Cllr Homes advised that this item and item 6c were for the same development and that the existing entrance would be retained, the building would be of timber construction with a slate roof and there was space on sight for vehicles to turn. RESOLVED that there is no objection.
- c) PA13/00283 - [Proposed domestic 2 bay carport and domestic store - The Old Manse 41 Wall Road Wall Hayle Cornwall TR27 5HA](#) – Mr Vickers. **Planning zone officer – CllrHomes** RESOLVED that there is no objection.
- d) PA13/00193 - [Two storey rear extension and alterations to fenestration - 30 Rosewarne Road Wall Gwinear Hayle Cornwall TR27 5LD](#) – Mr Laity. **Planning zone officer – Cllr Roberts.** Cllr Roberts said that the application was straightforward and could see no reason to object. RESOLVED that there is no objection.

7. Other matters requiring decisions of the Council

- a) To receive and discuss a letter from Cornwall Council regarding “Council Tax Support Funding for the 2013/14 Financial Year”. The meeting RESOLVED to accept the funding and to take the amount off the precept.
- b) To approve the draft budget for the 2013/2014 financial year. The meeting discussed the projects sheet and RESOLVED to add £500 towards a speed monitor for the Parish and £1000 in principle towards Reawla Play Park. The budget was accepted, Cllr Cupples proposed and Cllr Negus seconded and it was RESOLVED that the budget be set at £64528 (£5539 of which would be grant funding from CC) this equates to an approximate rise from £36.52 to £58.06 per Band D Household per year.
- c) To receive correspondence from Cornwall Council regarding “Community Emergency Planning” and agree a way forward. The meeting RESOLVED to defer this item to another meeting.

- d) To receive an update on the pre-application development at Relistian Lane, Reawla. The Clerk advised that the agent had contacted her to advise that the planning officer dealing with the pre-application had felt that there was a greater need for affordable housing within the site and that he could see no reason to have a community facility on site. The agent had asked if he could come and look at the Parish Plan as it was his understanding that this was the reasoning behind Cllr Ray Tovey putting forward the site to Planning Officer originally before he had become involved in the site. The Clerk had spoken to the Chairman and the Chairman felt that it would be prudent to ask Cllr Pascoe as Ray's predecessor to be involved in any discussion. Cllr Pascoe felt that it would be worth visiting the planning officer looking at the pre-application and advising him of the history of the site and Cllr Tovey and that the Parish Council should send a representative to advise the officer of the objectives within the Parish Plan, one of which is to alleviate the burden of renting an office space and halls within the Parish for meetings by finding a permanent office and hall. The meeting RESOLVED that the Clerk attend a meeting with Cllr Pascoe and the planning officer to update him on the Parish Plan objectives. Cllr Roberts felt that there was a concern that housing developments with a high number of affordable properties will not provide any community benefit as under current legislation they do not require a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). He felt that the Parish Council should be asking its MP to lobby Government and ask that where large scale affordable development is planned in rural areas the Government should grant those areas with the equivalent funds a CIL would bring on open market housing. It was RESOLVED that a letter be written to the MP.
- e) To receive a report on the Reawla Park project and agree the way forward. The Clerk advised that the Silvanus Trust had offered the Parish Council a £200 grant towards trees and these could be used to start the scheme within the Park. After a discussion the meeting RESOLVED to accept the grant and to formally write to those who expressed an interest in forming a community group asking them if they would like to help with tree planting as well as advertising the event in the signpost and parish website.
8. Late or urgent items not on the agenda
 i. The Clerk advised that the Chairman had received another complaint regarding the condition of the cemetery lane and the CPO would be filling the holes this week.
9. Agenda items for future meetings
 a) Raised in public participation. These had been dealt with earlier in the meeting.
 b) Raised by members. Cllr Homes asked if the item in information from SWW could be an agenda item for discussion next time and this was agreed by the meeting.
 c) Late items notified to the Clerk. None.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.57pm.