

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 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	

<u>Others present</u>	7 members of the public
	Sgt Simon Dobson
	Mrs Vida Perrin, Clerk to the Council

### 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 for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs Slade-Elmes, Rowe & Young.
- c) Members to declare personal and prejudicial interests (including the details thereof) in respect of any items on the Agenda.
  - i. *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. The Chairman asked if there was any public comment other than for planning applications and there were none. The Chairman proposed moving agenda item 5 to this point in the meeting, this was seconded by Cllr Negus with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

*Item 5 was taken at this point but is in agenda order for the purposes of the minutes.*

### 2. Minutes

- a) To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2013. Cllr Negus proposed the minutes be approved, this was seconded by Cllr Cupples and it was RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
- b) Business arising from the Minutes. None.
- c) To confirm the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Parish Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2013. Cllr Homes proposed the minutes be approved, this was seconded by Cllr Roberts and it was RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
- d) Business arising not already on the agenda from the Special Meeting. None.

### 3. Reports

- a) Report from the Police Neighbourhood Beat Manager.
  - i. Sgt Dobson advised the meeting that it had been a good month with very little crime to report.

The Chairman proposed that the public be allowed to speak under item 3a and this was seconded by Cllr Negus with all in favour the proposal was RESOLVED.

- ii. Mr Goodere asked if the Police had made any progress with the problem of motorbikes on the Towans. Sgt Dobson said that they were making some progress and that a press release was being drawn up to highlight the problem.
- iii. Mr Crocker asked what the Police could do about unlawful vehicles using the bridlepath known as Old Mill Lane. Sgt Dobson said that enforcement of bridleways lied with Cornwall Council but agreed that the Police could intervene if vehicles with no number plates were coming off the lane onto the highway and vice versa. Sgt Dobson agreed to highlight the issue with the Team.
- iv. The Chairman proposed the Council write to CC to ask them to investigate the problem and this was seconded by Cllr Crocker with all in favour and the proposal was RESOLVED.
- v. Sgt Dobson advised that the speed visor which was set up in Station Road was not working properly and he would report this to the Team.

- b) Verbal reports from Parish Councillors/representatives.  
Walkers are Welcome - Cllr Crocker advised that the group is talking to Asda as they have suggested they may be able to promote the group and the work they undertake and ways to link Parish walks to the main Towns.
- c) Written reports from Parish Councillors/representatives.
  - i) Gwithian Towans Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group Meeting, held 19<sup>th</sup> February 2013. Cllr Homes advised that the group were working closely with the Consultant on the design appraisal and the meetings so far had been very positive. He said that the group would meet again this Friday and the following Friday.
  - ii) Carnhell Green Working Group – Cllr Roberts advised that his meeting with Highways had gone well. He said that Mike Peters had stated that the speed visor planned for our area was a good idea but that we may have trouble deploying it. He said that he would advise the Council more once he had had a chance to discuss it fully with Mike Peters.

#### 4. Correspondence received

- a) Gwinear CP School – Notification of their consideration in becoming a foundation school and forming part of the Penwith Education Trust with Connor Downs Primary School and two others; invitation to attend the public consultation meeting at Connor Downs School on the 12th March 2013 at 5.15pm. Cllrs Cupples and Roberts will be attending the meeting.
- b) Cornwall Council – Consultation - Roseworthy Speed Limit Ratification. A discussion ensued and the Chairman proposed the Council write to Highways regarding the other measures mentioned at the site meeting and the enforcement team once the speed limit had been ratified to ensure the limit is enforced. This proposal was seconded by Cllr Cupples with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED. Cllr Pascoe asked the Clerk to copy him in on any correspondence.
- c) Ocean Housing – Update on the new residential development, Horsepool Road, Connor Downs. The Chairman said that he had concern over the number of applicants being considered for the affordable housing that do not have Parish connection and wondered if the system was the problem. A debate ensued and Cllr Pocock proposed the Council write to Ocean Housing asking them to explain the process for allocating affordable homes, this proposal was seconded by Cllr Pascoe with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- d) George Eustice MP – Response letter to the Parish Council’s Community Infrastructure Levy concerns. After a debate the meeting agreed to note the letter and put an item on the next agenda regarding the CIL tariff consultation from Cornwall Council.

The Chairman proposed that the public be permitted to speak during item 5, this was seconded by Cllr Negus with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

#### 5. To consider planning applications

- a) PA13/01057 - [Kitchen extension - The Post Office 5 Churchtown Road Gwithian Hayle Cornwall TR27 5BX](#) – Miss Ward. *Site visit 5<sup>th</sup> March 2013; Cllr Homes to report.*
  - i. Cllr Homes gave a verbal report on the site meeting, advising that the planning officer had attended and visited both the application site and the neighbouring property and spoken to both parties. Cllr Homes felt that generally there was no material planning considerations to object to the application but that in his opinion a condition should be placed on approval that ensures any windows to the rear of the property are both obscured and are designed to open in the least obtrusive manner to the amenity space behind the property. He stated that he was now satisfied with the design of the vents and did note that vent design is not a material consideration in planning terms anyway.
  - ii. Mr Goodere expressed concern about the possible design of the windows which could overlook his amenity space. He said that he had concerned about how the extension would be finished and maintained as it was in such close proximity to his garden. Mr Goodere advised that the planning officer had stated that any work could underpin the boundary wall and had mentioned floating foundations. Mr Goodere quoted from the NPPF that greater restrictions could be applied to the rear of properties where major alterations were to take place, he felt that the extension would constitute major development. Mr Goodere said that he had concerns about the design within a conservation area and under the NPPF this application was not in line with the historic and distinctive look of the village and that the use of a flat roof on the rear extension would set a precedent.

iii. The Applicant, Ms Ward advised that she had already stated that she would be more than happy to have obscured glass and look at the design of the opening of the window to ensure privacy on both sides, as long as she was able to clean the external glass of the windows from the inside. Ms Ward noted that on the finish to the rear of the property, as she would be unable to gain access to the rear over the neighbour's property they would ensure the extension was water tight and finish it the best they could without access. Ms ward noted that the existing extension was a newer addition to the oldest part of the property and was not fit for purpose at present and would need to be rebuilt regardless of whether they extended or not. Ms Ward noted that there are a number of properties in the village with flat roofs, the neighbouring property has a flat roof extension to the side and rear of their property, the side extension being visible from the road. She advised that the flat roof extension proposed was to the rear of the property and would not interfere with the character of the village from the road aspect. Ms Ward felt that a pitched roof would be higher and more obtrusive to their neighbours.

iv. Cllr Homes advised that on speaking with the planning officer at the site meeting, she had said that she had no concerns with regard to the construction and finish and there would be no restraints regarding this.

v. Cllr Pascoe felt that he still had concerns over the construction and finish of the extension and the application should go to committee.

vi. The Chairman asked for planning reasons for this view and Cllr Pascoe conceded that these reasons did not hold enough weight in planning terms.

vi. Cllr Homes proposed that there be no objection to the application as long as conditions are attached to the approval that all windows to the rear of the property be obscure glazed and of a design which is the least obtrusive to the neighbouring properties when open. This proposal was seconded by Cllr Negus. A vote was taken and the proposal was RESOLVED.

#### 6. Other matters requiring decisions of the Council

- a) Receipts and payments: to approve the statement for the period ending on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2013 and the payments due.

The following income has been received:

Dep	Description	Amount
Bacs	Cornwall Council	2860.00
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Dep 17	Cornwall Council – Reawla Park (paid in 11/02/13)	700.00
Dep 17	Cemetery fee (paid in 11/02/13)	98.00
Dep 17	Allotment fee (paid in 11/02/13)	10.00
Dep 18	Allotment fee (paid in 20/02/13)	10.00
Dep 19	Cemetery fee (paid in 25/02/13)	98.00
Dep 19	Allotment fee (paid in 25/02/13)	10.00
Dep 20	Cemetery fee (paid in 04/03/13)	91.00

The following payments are now due:

Chq	Description	Amount
D/D	Scottish Power (monthly £41.00, 14th Jan 2013)	41.00
S/O		
1782	Cash – for petty cash and postage	30.00
1816	P Miners – CPO duties for the period 11/02/13 – 11/03/13	896.00
1817	Cartridge Shop – Supply of 2no. printer cartridges (£27.89)	55.78
1818	Cory Environmental – Refuse collection charge for March 2013	12.66
1819	BT – Office telephone; line rental, call minder & broadband charge for period 4/3/13 to 3/6/13 and calls for period 5/12/12 to 27/2/13	135.72
1820	GVA – Advertisement in Signpost magazine – March 2013	10.00
1821	Martin Rule – Maintenance of Gwithian Green, 2012/2013	680.00
1822	Trade UK Account (B&Q) – Combination padlock for cemetery	19.99
1823	The Groundwork South Trust Ltd – Attendance at event 2/2/13	10.00

1824	Mrs V Perrin (Clerk) – Staff wages, February 2013	1271.90
1825	Mrs C Thomson (Admin Asst) – Staff wages, February 2013	372.31
1826	HM Revenue & Customs – PAYE & NI	403.21
1827	Mrs V Perrin – Reimbursement of office sundries and lunch for GTNPSG meeting, held 6/3/13	26.37
1828	OfficeSmart – Stationery order dated 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2013	71.10

Cllr Cupples proposed that the payments be accepted, Cllr Roberts seconded with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

- (b) To discuss the recent sale of land by Cornwall Council at Churchtown Road, Gwithian and to give consideration to requesting details on any remaining land/assets within the Parish that are in Cornwall Council ownership. The meeting felt that Cornwall Council still owned land at Coswinsawsin, Gwithian and Roseworthy. Cllr Pocock proposed the Parish Council formally write and ask for a list of land owned by Cornwall Council within the Parish and this was seconded by Cllr Homes with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- (c) To receive an update on the devolution of Reawla Park and agree a way forward. The Clerk gave a brief update on the meeting with the devolution team from her report which had already been circulated. Cllr Roberts proposed that the Parish Council write to Cornwall Council to formally request the freehold transfer of Reawla park to include a request for funding from the devolution team and ask for CC to provide the information noted in the Clerks report. This proposal was seconded by Cllr Cupples with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- (d) To agree the wording and plan for a Neighbourhood Area application and resolve to make an application. The meeting received the wording, plan and report. Cllr Homes proposed that the wording and plan be accepted with the alterations specified in the report and the application be made, Cllr Cupples seconded with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- (e) To consider further entering into an agreement with Cornwall Council to provide public convenience services at Gwithian. Cllr Pocock advised that although the Parish Council had asked for an updated Service Level Agreement this had not been carried out by Cornwall Council. He said that a Parishioner had emailed the Parish Council noting that the times/dates for the opening of the car park adjacent to the public convenience had been extended and this would bring in more revenue. Cllr Pocock proposed writing a letter to Cornwall Council regarding the cuts being made to the public convenience and the additional revenue being raised from the car park, this was seconded by Cllr Negus with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

7. Late or urgent items not on the agenda

- i. PA12/04555 - 45 Turnpike Road. The Clerk advised that the planning officer required a written statement from the Parish Council on the application. Cllr Roberts still had concern about the capability of the sewerage system in Connor Downs. The Chairman proposed a letter be written to SWW direct asking what the capabilities and condition was for sewerage for the whole Parish to try and get to the bottom of the issue and this was seconded by Cllr Roberts with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED. After a discussion on the other concerns raised regarding the application, Cllr Cupples proposed supporting the application assuming the Parish Council are involved in the process of negotiating and allocating the section 106 money between affordable housing and education needs within Connor Downs in line with the information the Parish Council had received on both issues, this was seconded by Cllr Pocock with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- ii. Locality – Neighbourhood Planning case study. The Clerk advised that Locality would like to make our Neighbourhood Plan a case study on their website. Cllr Homes said that he would be happy to work with Locality on the study. Cllr Pocock proposed the Council agree to the case study and Cllr Homes liaise with Locality, this was seconded by Cllr Homes with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- iii. PA13/00146 – Callose Lane West. The Clerk advised the Planning Officer recommended refusal for the application which was contrary to the PC recommendation. A debate ensued and Cllr Pocock proposed the PC agree to disagree on this application, this was seconded by Cllr Homes with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- iv. PA11/09228 - 81 Gwithian Towans. The Clerk advised that the planning officer recommended supporting the application. The meeting discussed the issues and felt that the height of the decking was the most contentious issue.

Cllr Homes proposed that the PC ask that a meeting be held between CC planning and PC to discuss the application in light of the emerging Design Appraisal Study being undertaken by the PC, this was seconded by Cllr Crocker with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

v. Cllr Negus advised that two buses were collecting workers from Parbola Holiday Park daily and queried whether the Park was holiday use only. Cllr Pocock proposed the Clerk raise the query with Planning Enforcement, this was seconded by Cllr Negus with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

vi. The Clerk advised that two locations, one in Connor Downs and one in Gwithian had been put forward for siting of a defibrillator, two people had put their names down for training and community groups and schools had been asked to get involved in the project.

8. Agenda items for future meetings

- a) Raised in public participation. These had been dealt with earlier in the meeting.
- b) Raised by members. None.
- c) Late items notified to the Clerk. None.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.54pm.