

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council held on Monday 23rd March 2015 at the Parish Office, Unit 3 Bosproval Business Units, Penhale Road, Carnhell Green, Camborne commencing at 7.00pm.

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| <u>Present</u> | Councillors | Mrs S Negus L Pascoe M Roberts M Smith | R Norman B Pocock (Chairman) S Rowe (Vice Chairman) J Tovey |
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| <u>Others present</u> | 11 members of the public Mrs Vida Perrin, Clerk to the Council |
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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 to silent during the meeting.
- b) Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs A Crocker, J Crocker, D Cupples & T Homes.
- c) To receive personal and prejudicial interests (including the details thereof) and preapproved dispensations in respect of any items on this Agenda. There were no preapproved dispensations in respect of any items on this 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".*

Cllr Pascoe proposed that item 6 be taken after public participation, seconded by Cllr Rowe with all in favour. The item is in agenda order for the purpose of the minutes.

d) Public Participation.

- i. Mr Young advised that due to the mixed response to the consultation undertaken by Cormac the Carnhell Green Traffic Survey Team had held a local meeting and it had been agreed that the group would undertake its own consultation.
- ii. Mr Carter advised that the consultation undertaken by the group resulted in a petition signed by 99 Carnhell Green residents in favour of the scheme as proposed. He stated that a number of residents said they had not received the consultation from Cormac. He also advised that 13 people from outside the village had also signed the petition in favour of the proposals.
- iii. Mr Sweeney asked whether the scheme was still due to go ahead.
- iv. The Chairman advised that the Parish Council (PC) had to be led by the democratic figures and unfortunately the consultation results from Cormac were inconclusive. He stated that further work would be required as until the PC had a clear mandate from the public it could not approve expenditure for the scheme but that did not mean some form of traffic calming would not go ahead.
- v. Mr Sweeney raised issue with the consultation undertaken by Cormac and the efforts of the PC and stated that he did not feel enough had been done.
- vi. The Clerk advised that the PC had arranged for the consultation period set by Cormac to be extended and that the PC had photocopied the consultation letters with the new date and had delivered them to all areas of the village.
- vii. Mr Sweeney questioned whether this had been done.
- viii. Cllr Roberts advised that he and Mr Young had split the area between them.
- ix. Mr Carter raised issue with the fact that a vote had not been undertaken at the public meeting prior to the consultation as Cllr Roberts felt it was unnecessary.
- x. Cllr Roberts advised that he did not want to put those who were in opposition or undecided regarding the scheme on the spot prior to the formal consultation.
- xi. Mr Young asked whether plans with dimensions could be obtained.
- xii. The Chairman said that they would ask Cornwall Council (CC) for these. He stated that further consultation was required and the plans may need to be changed in line with comments made and this would take time. He said that although the petition was a step in the right direction the PC would have to undertake its own consultation but he welcomed the input of the group.
- xiii. Mr Harrison asked who could make the decision on whether the scheme went ahead or not.
- xiv. The Chairman advised that CC were the Highway Authority and therefore no plans could be undertaken without their permission. He said that once CC had signed off any plans the public would need to support them by a reasonable majority before works could commence hence the need for the PC to go back to the drawing board. He said that the PC did have the funds in place to do the works but that the public had to bear in mind this was not the only project the PC is working on and the money had to be shared between the whole Parish.

2. Presentation

Presentation by Ulrika Oberg-Wright regarding planning applications at 27 and 59 Gwithian Towans. Mrs Oberg-Wright gave a brief outline of the proposals for numbers 27 and 59.

3. Minutes

- a) To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 9th March 2015. Cllr Pascoe proposed the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Cllr Smith seconded with all in favour and the proposal was RESOLVED.
- b) Business arising from the Minutes. None.

4. Reports

- a) Verbal reports from Parish Councillors/representatives
 - i. Cllr Pascoe advised that it was likely a new application would be made regarding Sunset Surf shortly.
 - ii. Cllr Pascoe advised that the solar farm application at Mably had been refused and that he had been advised that Good Energy had pulled out of the appeal for Lanyon.
 - iii. Cllr Smith advised that he had attended an event at Connor Downs School on behalf of the Chairman for the official launch of the Cultivating Futures project.
- b) Written reports from Parish Councillors/representatives
 - i) Neighbourhood Plan update. Noted.

5. Correspondence received

- a) CC – Police & Crime Panel – Decline of Neighbourhood Watch. Noted.

6. To consider planning matters

- a) PA15/00796 [Demolition of existing chalet and construction of replacement chalet - 59 Gwithian Towans Gwithian Cornwall TR27 5BT](#) Mr Craig Burkinshaw *Planning Zone Officer : Cllr Smith*. Cllr Smith gave a report on the application which was in line with the draft Design Guide and proposed the Parish Council have no objection to the application, this was seconded by Cllr Tovey with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- b) PA15/01802 [Demolition of existing timber frame chalet. Replacement timber frame, timber clad chalet of single storey design. - 27 Gwithian Towans Gwithian Cornwall TR27 5BT](#) Mr & Mrs Andrew McCullagh *Planning Zone Officer : Cllr Smith*. Cllr Smith outlined his report for the application and proposed the following:-
That the Council objects to this proposal in that it does not comply with the Gwithian Towans Design Guide as it;
 - Exceeds the recommended height being over 5m.
 - The ridge height is more than twice that of the eaves.
 - The chalet would dominate that particular stretch of the Fringe Zone because of its length and height.
 - The increase in bedrooms from 2 to 4 without additional car parking spaces.
 - Excavation of the site.
 The proposal was seconded by Cllr Tovey with 5 in favour and 2 abstentions. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- c) PA15/01909 [Agricultural storage building - Churchtown Farm Land East Of Pennance Veian Gwithian Road Connor Downs Cornwall TR27 5EB](#) Mr Adrian James *Planning Zone Officer : Cllr A Crocker*. After reviewing the plans Cllr Rowe proposed no objection, seconded by Cllr Roberts with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- d) PA15/02006 [Erection of a Dwelling with a Detached Garage and a new access off Deveral Road - Land Adj To 12 Deveral Road Fraddam Cornwall TR27 5EP](#) Mrs T Bryant *Planning Zone Officer : Cllr Rowe*. Cllr Rowe advised that the Parish Council had supported as similar application but with the provision that it be affordable. He advised that new legislation meant that sites with 5 or less dwellings did not need to be affordable and the pre-application had received a positive response from Cornwall Council. Cllr Rowe proposed there be no objection, seconded by Cllr Pascoe with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- e) PA15/01574 [First floor rear extension and enlarging of rear terrace and change of use of land to domestic curtilage - 6, Trelowek 34, Penhale Road Carnhell Green Cornwall TR14 0LU](#) Mr D Shaw *Planning Zone Officer : Cllr Roberts*. Cllr Roberts advised there was no issue with overlooking and the scale of the development was in keeping with the area. Cllr Roberts proposed no objection, seconded by Cllr Pascoe with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

- f) Planning Correspondence – to receive list of notifications from Cornwall Council 5th Mar to 17th Mar 2015. Noted.

7. Other matters requiring decisions of the Council

- a) To review and approve the Planning Policy.
- i. Cllr Roberts raised issue with the flexibility of the policy and considered that the monitoring officer for Cornwall Council did not perceive breaches for Parish Council's as strictly as the policy suggested.
 - ii. The Clerk advised that the policy was there to protect Councillors but still gave them the freedom to interact with the public. She stated that a working group could look at the policy but it would need to be reviewed along with the Code of Conduct and the Council's standing orders and that any revisions would need to be checked by CALC before the Council formally approved them to ensure they were lawful.
 - iii. A discussion ensued and Cllr Pascoe noted that he felt the policy was fine other than that two Councillors should review each planning application. Cllr Pascoe proposed the policy be adopted in its current form, seconded by Cllr Negus with 7 in favour and 1 against, the proposal was RESOLVED.
 - iv. Cllr Pascoe proposed two Councillors be nominated for each new planning application, seconded by Cllr Negus with 6 in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- b) To receive information regarding office equipment and agree the way forward. Cllr Norman proposed the Clerks recommendations be approved, seconded by Cllr Rowe with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- c) To consider information received regarding Reawla Park and agree the way forward. Cllr Norman proposed the Clerks' recommendations be approved and that all searches are undertaken, seconded by Cllr Pascoe with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- d) To approve the request to keep bees on Gwithian Green. Cllr Pascoe proposed the request be approved, seconded by Cllr Tovey with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

8. Late or urgent items not on the agenda

None.

9. 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 8.24pm.