

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council held on Monday 25th July 2016 at the WI Hall, Turnpike Road, Connor Downs commencing at 7.00pm.

<u>Present</u>	Councillors	A Burt	D Cupples
		T Homes	Mrs S Negus
		R Norman	L Pascoe
		M Roberts (Vice Chairman)	S Rowe (Chairman)
		M Smith (Vice Chairman)	D Wilkins

Others present

Mrs Vida Perrin, Clerk to the Council
2 members of the public
Lee Gardiner (Head of Gwinear School)

1. Routine matters

- a) Safety Procedure – The Chairman advised of the fire exits, location of toilets and asked that mobile phones be switched to silent during the meeting. He stated questions through the Chair only.
- b) Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs Bawden & Tovey.
- 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”.
 - ii. Cllr Pascoe advised that he is willing to give a presentation on item 5b but would not be making any recommendations as he felt he had a conflict of interest as a CC planning committee member.
- d) Public Participation.
 - i. Mr Gardiner advised that he was present regarding item 4a.

The Chairman brought forward item 4a which is in agenda order for the purposes of the minutes and permitted Mr Gardiner to speak on the item.

2. Minutes

- a) To confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th July 2016. Cllr Wilkins proposed the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Cllr Pascoe seconded with all in favour and the proposal was RESOLVED.
- b) Business arising from the Minutes. None.

3. Reports

- a) Verbal reports from Parish Councillors/representatives
 - i. Cllr Pascoe advised that a local resident had contacted him regarding speeding issues in Relistian Lane, suggesting that he thought a tabletop was in the plans for the development at Relistian Lane.
 - ii. The Clerk advised that she thought Cornwall Council Highways had asked for the tabletop to be removed prior to the plans being approved? She said the PC could add the issue to its INA.
 - iii. Cllr Homes felt it would be better for the PC to see how the extension of the 30mph on Relistian Lane worked before taking any action and this was agreed by the meeting.
 - iv. Cllr Pascoe advised that he had a phone call from a resident complaining about the amount of ragwort around particularly on the roadside but appreciated this was due to CC not spraying and half the community had not wanted the PC to take over spraying. He had also had an issue with a birdscarer which he had fixed.
 - v. Cllr Roberts advised that he had attended a Governance meeting for CC along with Cllr Smith, he advised these meetings were for the public too and were part of the Cornwall Devolution deal a process which takes 5 years although the public consultation only ran for 3 weeks with very short notice and changes in venues it was poorly put together and although the process ends in 2018 it appears that decisions will be made this month on Governance. He raised concern over a question which seemed to be about reducing the numbers of Councillors although it was not clear, he felt that reducing Councillors could leave rural areas vulnerable. He attended the follow up meeting called the GREG report this morning which was for P&TC but only 3 Councils out of 213 attended which he felt was mainly due to the short notice given for the meeting. He felt that the whole consultation had not been transparent enough and suggested CC officers should also be involved in the process. He said a webcam was present at the GREG meeting but he had not been able to find the meeting online.

vi. Cllr Smith said he had reviewed the process which started in December 2015 and ran until the end of 2018 but only 3 weeks was being allocated for public consultation. He raised concern regarding the issue of less Cornwall Councillors and felt that for planning purposes committees should be split between rural Cornwall Councillors and Town Cornwall Councillors as the issues in rural areas were rarely understood by Cornwall Councillors from Towns. After a debate the meeting agreed a letter be written regarding the issues raised above to CC and CALC.

vii. Cllr Norman advised that GGSCF had changed its rules so that Directors did not have to be Parish Councillors, the rules stated that 1 Councillor from the Gwinear Ward and 1 from the Gwithian Ward would form part of the Director Board.

viii. Cllr Cupples raised concern over the democracy and scrutiny of the charity which was set up by the PC, Cllr Pascoe raised the same issue and felt the Chairman of GGSCF should be invited to the next meeting to discuss the decision.

ix. Cllr Homes advised that he had been told his services were not required anymore as Company Secretary.

x. A debate ensued and Cllr Cupples proposed the Clerk write to GGSCF to ascertain the reasons why this course of action was taken and ask for copies of their latest minutes and financial records if they were not available online, seconded by Cllr Pascoe with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

b) Written reports from Parish Councillors/representatives

i) Projects update. Noted.

4. Correspondence received

a) Gwinear School – letter to George Eustice reference parking.

i. Mr Gardiner advised that the school wanted to resolve the issue of parking and was seeking support from the PC, he advised a local landowner had been approached and may be willing to sell land but no finances were available for a car park. He said that the School had written to the local MP and he had a meeting with him in September regarding the issue.

ii. A debate ensued regarding different options such as a pull in with footpath, ROW improvements, purchasing land for a playing field and using the playing field for parking and a grasscrete (or similar surfaced) football pitch which could be used for parking and sports activities.

iii. The general consensus was that further information regarding possible costs involved was required and the meeting agreed that the Chairman contact the head teacher regarding the meeting in September to offer assistance with the project.

b) CALC – Weekly news roundup 8/7/16 and 15/7/16. Noted.

c) Email from local resident reference Streetscape works. After a discussion it was agreed to forward the email to CC for comment.

d) Communities and Devolution - Alternative delivery of Libraries and One Stop Shops. Noted.

e) Cornwall Development Company – Community Led Local Development in Cornwall – Drop In Event 5th Aug 1.00-6.00 The Hub Club, Carn Brea Leisure Centre, Station Road, Pool. Noted.

5. To consider planning matters

Cllr Roberts left the room at this point

a) PA16/05864 Construction of 2 detached dormer bungalows Land East of 55 Turnpike Road Connor Downs Hayle Mr W Jenkin *Planning Zone Officers : Cllr Cupples (lead) Cllr Smith (support)*. Cllr Cupples advised that the plans had not changed from the last set. Cllr Smith advised that the plans had been resubmitted due to a technicality with a S106 agreement. Cllr Smith proposed the parish council objects to this application, in that we consider the scale of the proposed dormer bungalows as detailed in drawings 337-06, 337-05 and 337-04 are not consistent with neighbouring properties to the immediate south of the site. Partially with regards to the ridge height at 7m being considerably higher than those adjoining bungalows, and the ratio of plot size to dwelling being smaller will present problems of vehicle parking on the stretch of Greenbank leading to the dwellings and industrial units to the north of the site. This was seconded by Cllr Cupples with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.

Cllr Roberts returned

b) PA16/03717 Outline planning permission with some matters reserved: Formation of dwelling. Land Adj, The Royal Standard 50 Churchtown Gwinear Hayle Mr C Bows *Planning Zone Officers : Cllr Pascoe (lead) Cllr Rowe (support)*. Cllr Pascoe outlined the application and a debate ensued. Cllr Homes proposed the Parish Council object to the application on the following grounds:-

1. It is not felt by the Parish Council to be acceptable to approve an outline planning application within a conservation area and site of a Grade II listed building as no detail of the dimensions, heights, materials and openings etc are submitted, general practice for many LA's is that they will not accept outline applications for CA and LB
2. The lack of evidence shown that there is a need for the new development
3. With a number of local residents objecting to the application, the lack of local support for the development
4. The potential harm to the character and setting of a conservation area
5. The potential harm to the character and setting of multiple Grade II listed buildings/structures
6. The loss of public amenity space in a small village community and the possible harm it could do to the viability of the well used public house
7. Mature hedging/trees on the site and on the adjacent areas within the site which will be removed to allow for the development/parking and changes to the pub garden
8. The unlawful vehicular access proposed onto a bridleway
9. That the access off the bridleway is not suitable for vehicular access and visibility is extremely dangerous
10. That the block/location plans are inaccurate as number 52 does not exist and therefore the site does not constitute infill
11. That there is a lack of supporting information showing how the proposal will relate to the conservation area, such as elevations of adjacent buildings, full details of the proposal and examples of materials and colours
12. That the application sits outside the draft Settlement Boundary for the Neighbourhood Plan and no evidence showing a need for the development and why it could not be accommodated within the Settlement Boundary has been offered.

Seconded by Cllr Cupples with 9 in favour and 1 abstention the proposal was RESOLVED.

- c) PA16/04300 Outline planning for two residential dwellings with all matters reserved Land ESE of 30 Rosewarne Park Gwinear Road Connor Downs Mr & Mrs Cookson *Planning Zone Officers : Cllr Bawden (lead) Cllr Cupples (support)*. The Clerk read out Cllr Bawden's report. Cllr Cupples proposed the PC object to the application as follows:-

1. The unsustainable location in the countryside
2. The overdevelopment of the site
3. Potential for the development to be opened up with access on to a 60mph road
4. Close proximity of the development to the railway lines/crossing (Network Rail should be consulted)
5. Lack of garden/amenity space
6. No parking allocation or room for potential parking provided

Seconded by Cllr Homes with all in favour the proposal was RESOLVED.

- d) PA16/05845 Erection of an Agricultural Livestock Building Lemin Farm 36 Reawla Lane Reawla Mr S Rowe (*Please note all Cllrs should review this application*) Cllr Rowe advised the meeting that he was unable to rent a building and this was the reason for the application.

Cllr Rowe left the room and Cllr Roberts took the Chair

A discussion regarding the size and location of the building took place and Cllr Pascoe proposed no objection, seconded by Cllr Cupples with all in favour the proposal was RESOLVED.

Cllr Rowe returned and took the Chair

6. Other matters requiring decisions of the Council

- a) To consider renewal of electricity contract at Reawla Park. Cllr Wilkins proposed quote A be accepted, seconded by Cllr Cupples with all in favour the Proposal was RESOLVED.
- b) To receive an update & timetable on the streetscape project and agree the way forward.
 - i. The Clerk gave a brief update on the meeting Cllr Pascoe and Rowe had with Cormac and said a timetable was still awaited.
 - ii. A discussion ensued and Cllr Cupples proposed that the current figure proposed to be spent in Connor Downs be ring fenced, seconded by Cllr Pascoe with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
 - iii. Mr Young asked if he could speak and the Chairman allowed this. He stated that he felt a lot of time and money was being wasted and the project was going round in circles. He said a pole had been installed on Station Road for more traffic monitoring. He asked if he could receive updated information when available.
 - iv. Cllr Pascoe said that Tregony had a good system which seemed to work, the meeting agreed the Clerk investigate who put the scheme together.

- v. The meeting agreed to ask for the timetable ready for the next meeting so progress could be made.
- vi. The meeting agreed to ask CC to pay for the dragons teeth at Roseworthy.

7. Late or urgent items not on the agenda

- i. Cllr Cupples said he had investigated the cost of nets for ESPF which ranged from £30 to £200. The Clerk advised there was enough finance in the ESPF reserves for the higher figure. Cllr Norman proposed the Clerk and Cllr Cupples be given delegated authority to purchase the nets, seconded by Cllr Roberts with all in favour. The proposal was RESOLVED.
- ii. Cllr Roberts said he would not be able to hold a stall on behalf of the PC this year at the Vintage Rally but would be happy to help anyone else who wished to.
- iii. Cllr Cupples asked if the Clerk could arrange another meeting of the Pensions working group and this was agreed.
- iv. Cllr Negus asked if CC could be contacted to cut back the bus shelter at Reawla Stores as it was very overgrown and this was agreed.

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 8.37pm.