

# CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

**held at Cardinham Parish Hall on Tuesday February 17<sup>th</sup> 2015.**

Present: Councillors Mrs J Best (Chairman), M Frost, S Haynes, Mrs T Irwin, T Keat, M Martin, S Smart, P Tucker and Parish Clerk.

At the commencement of the meeting the Clerk welcomed back Mrs J Best following her recent operation and this greeting was endorsed by all members of the Parish Council.

There were 4 members of the public present.

Before the Council went into committee the Chairman invited Gareth Davies, Planning Manager of Clean Earth Energy to give a presentation on the potential project of upgrading the wind turbine at Callybarrett Farm. He then answered questions from councillors and it was explained that no indication of the Council's thoughts on a potential future application could be given at this stage.

Mr Davies was thanked for his presentation and left the meeting.

### **16 /15 Public Session**

#### **Public**

Mrs Bonker reported that the roots of a fallen tree (recently removed) at Peach's Hill were causing problems in the road . It was stated that the land owner was Audrey Runnalls at Tawna. Also the hedge at Treslea Cottage had not been cut back and traffic was now moving onto and damaging the Treslea triangle.

Both matters to be reported to County Highways and Cty Cllr C Batters with the suggestion that a compulsory cut of the hedge be requested.

Both Mr & Mrs Bonker welcomed back the Chairman. Mr Bonker then stated that he had attended the recent Bodmin Community Network Panel meeting and questioned why no representatives from Cardinham were in attendance. It was explained that the 2 normal attendees Cllr Mrs J Best (just returned from hospital) and Cllr M Martin (holiday) were both unavailable.

#### **County Councillor**

The Clerk stated that County Councillor C Batters had given his apologies as he was committed to a very busy day at County Hall. He had indicated that there was little to report on his work during the month only looking after individual matters for parishioners.

#### **Police Report.**

There was no police report. It was agreed that this could be removed from the monthly agenda.

### **17 / 15 Apologies**

There were apologies received from Councillors G Rogers, G Tucker and County Councillor C Batters.

### **18 / 15 Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest from councillors.

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### **19 / 15 Minutes of Previous Meeting.**

The minutes for the Council Meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2015 had been circulated and were approved, proposed by Cllr S Haynes and seconded by Cllr Mrs T Irwin. All in favour. One amendment to the minutes was the addition that Cllr P Tucker had given his apologies.

### **20/15 Matters Arising.**

Most matters would be covered by agenda items later in the meeting:

Min 15/15 The Clerk apologised that he had not written to the Headmaster of Cardinham Primary School for permission to erect the commemorative stone. **Action taken.**

Min 07/15 Cllr S Smart enquired about the increase of the annual precept. The Clerk explained that the 1.99% was in line with the Cornwall Council increase and it is anticipated that more services will be passed down from County to Parish Councils in the future and we need to budget for these items.

### **21/ 15 Correspondence**

- (i) Notice from Cornwall Council on the future of their Face to Face services i.e Libraries and One Stop Shops.
- (ii) Beating the Bounds on Wednesday April 8<sup>th</sup> invitation to meet the walkers at Fletchers Bridge 10.15- 10.30am.
- (iii) Cornwall Council DVD and consultation on Draft Energy Supplementary Planning document. Cllr S Smart to review and report back
- (iv) Cornwall for Change the group of parishes seeking changes within Cornwall Council are requesting for a short online survey of members concerns <http://whodareswinsokcornwa.polldaddy.com/s/council-concern-survey>. before March 2nd. The Clerk agreed to forward details to Councillors.
- (v) Homes for Britain launch - Lands End- London roadshow.
- (vi) Information that our community link officer is still Sarah Sims.
- (vii) Details from Drew Memorials on risk assessment, method statement, qualifications and public liability insurance details.
- (viii) Zurich offering a quote for the council's insurance. (Quote to be obtained and confirmation of the Council's church sub-committee to be established.)

### **22/ 15 Finance**

The Income & Expenditure statement for the financial report showed that the relevant payments of 3 cheques to the value of £364.03p. Cllr S Smart proposed payment of all accounts, seconded by Cllr P Tucker. All in favour.

### **23/15 Planning Applications**

PA15/00914 Vodafone Ltd – prior notification for proposed removal of existing 17.5m monopole and installation of a 17.5m monopole with 0.3 dish and associated equipment adjacent Dreason Lane, Cardinham. **Support.**

The Clerk expressed his thanks to planning officer Mark Wrigley for supplying a hard copy of the plans at short notice.

### **24 /15 Planning Decision**

No planning decisions to report but Cllr S Haynes stated that application PA14/11769 Mrs L Hanbury-Tenison was now showing on the planning website as being approved.

### **25/15 To consider correspondence and requests from a parishoner**

The Chairman, Cllr Mrs J Best called upon the Clerk to give the council's responses to the various matters raised in correspondence by parishioner, Mr Bonker. Firstly a complaint re planning application had been acknowledged and the appropriate actions have since been taken. Letters were read from Cllr Mrs J Best and P Tucker, together arrangements being put in place for all councillors to attend a training session on C Code of Conduct. The complaint on why the Council's decision that it was necessary to go into closed session on December 16<sup>th</sup> 2014 was explained. Under Standing Order 16 states 'that in the view of the (special) (confidential) nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw' Matters relating to continual requests for a copy of the draft minutes prior to the meeting, it was explained to the complainant that the Standing Orders of Cardinham Parish Council item 15 reads 'no minutes are to be provided to the press or public until approved by the Council and signed'. Many points raised in all the correspondence had been insulting to Council members and factually incorrect.

### **26 /15 Neighbourhood Survey**

Cllr M Martin confirmed that councillors had now received a copy of the narrative summary of the Parish Survey. A member of Cornwall Council had commented 'never seen a more comprehensive survey' when in comparison to some from other Councils which were only 2 sides of A4 paper. Discussions on the way forward felt that the cost implication would be far too much to send to each household and it was decided that it be put on the Council's website to be downloaded or it could be purchased via the Clerk for a price to cover printing/postage of £3.

### **27/15 Footpaths**

No report.

### **28 / 15 Highway Matters**

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Road closures : Turfdown road – Fletchersbridge Hill Feb 26<sup>th</sup> – March 6<sup>th</sup> (surface dressing/ patching work.

Lecudden Road – Copshorne Road Feb 19<sup>th</sup> tree trimming.

### **29/15 Dualling the A30**

Cllr M Martin was pleased to report that on February 5<sup>th</sup> the Secretary of State gave the final go ahead to the road. He gave details of the work to be completed in the forthcoming months and emphasised the amount of care being taken to protect the local wildlife. It was hoped that there would not be too much disruption as the appointed contractors would be working to a comprehensive traffic plan with the main site to be based at the A30 airfield entrance. Throughout the work there will be a 40mph CCTV monitored average speed.

### **30 /15 Parish Matters**

Cllr S Smart spoke of the ‘remarkable’ piece of tarmac in Berry woods.

Cllr S Haynes questioned whether the roads had been gritted as had been promised throughout the Winter.

Cllr T Keat felt that a letter be sent from the Parish Council to the committee of the Dual the A30 Action Group to acknowledge the work that had been done by certain personalities( namely founder members H Kendall, A Ludgate, M Martin) to achieve the new road. Proposed by Cllr T Keat, seconded by Cllr S Smart.

Cllr S Haynes asked who was responsible for the ‘ugly’ oil drums with painted notices stating no cars etc on the common land by the A30.

Cllr Mrs J Best declared an interest.

It was agreed that a letter be sent to the land owner (Mr C Dyer) expressing the Parish Council’s disappointment at the quality of the notices.

Cllr S Smart stated that the Council needed to now follow up on the work and constructive comments emulating from the survey. He also spoke about the defribilliator and the possibility of approaching major employers in the area to fund or provide sponsorship.

Before the end of the meeting the Clerk stated that a decision had not been made on which material be provided to the parishoner’s request for various Council documents. It was proposed by Cllr S Smart, seconded by Cllr S Haynes that a formal reply of the Council’s responses read to the meeting and a copy of the approved Council’s Standing Orders be forwarded.

Next Parish Council meeting on Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> 2015 to be held at Cardinham Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm.

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