

CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

held at Cardinham Parish Hall on Tuesday July 21st 2015.

Present: Councillors M Frost, G Rogers, S Smart, G Tucker, P Tucker and the Parish Clerk plus PCSO Andrea Crocker

There were 7 members of the public present.

In the absence through illness of Chairman Cllr Mrs J Best it was agreed that Deputy Chairman Cllr G Tucker chair the meeting. He sent his best wishes to Julie for a speedy recovery and to enjoy better health in the near future. This was endorsed by all members of Council and members of the public.

93/15 Police Report

The Chairman welcomed PCSO Andrea Crocker stating everyone's pleasure to see a member of the Police at a Council meeting after such a long time.

PCSO Crocker introduced herself and explained that she had been switched from Bodmin to the Parish to replace Linda Thomas. She stated that she hoped to attend most Council meetings if duties permitted and would also provide a monthly report.

Traffic issues caused by the Dualling of the A30 were highlighted and this led to a number of complaints and problems during recent weeks being mentioned by Councillors and members of the public. The Clerk also read a letter of complaint from Mrs B Bullion and suggesting that road in the Fletchers Bridge area be made one-way. The officer stated that this wasn't a police matter and should be referred to Cornwall Council and Kier the road contractors.

PCSO Crocker then spoke of a theft of cattle crime from a farm between Helland and Bodmin and she asked for everyone to be vigilant of any strange vehicles in the area.

Public Session

Mrs Bonker stated she was pleased that the grass had been cut on the triangle at Treslea.

Mr Saunter reported that a 'dumpy bag of sand' had been left on the airfield at Higher Cardeast.

Mr Bonker questioned if the Clerk had circulated correspondence that he had sent to him. It was confirmed that these items would be discussed in agenda item re correspondence.

County Councillor

County Councillor C Batters apologised for his non-attendance and the Clerk read his report. Issues covered and action taken on:

- Hedge overgrown and stones on the Fletchers Bridge road.
- Grass on Littledowns triangle needed cutting.
- Phone kiosk in Cardinham still awaiting a reply from Scott Mann MP.
- Verges on A30 at airfield junction dangerous to motorists and needed cutting.
- Traffic gridlock on Fletchers Bridge road.

He also stated that Cardinham Parish Council were again not represented at a Network meeting at Blisland.

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94 / 15 Apologies

There were apologies received from Councillors Mrs J Best, Mrs T Irwin, T Keat, M Martin and County Councillor C Batters.

95 / 15 Declaration of Interest.

There were declarations of interest from Cllr G Tucker on Agenda item 8 Planning application PA15/ 06047 Mr & Mrs D Toy and also Agenda item 7 Finance

96 / 15 Minutes of Previous Meeting.

The minutes for the Council Meeting on June 16th 2015 had been circulated and were approved, proposed by Cllr G Rogers and seconded by Cllr S Smart. All in favour.

97/15 Matters Arising.

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

Min 81/15 and 86/15 Letters requesting quotations had been written to DP Solomon and Kerrow Memorials.

Min 88/15 Cllr G Tucker had completed most of the work on the list of footpath repairs.

98/ 15 Correspondence

- (i) The Clerk read extracts from a number of e-mails being circulated by various Parish councils complaining about Cornwall Council's decision to change from paper copies of plans to using the planning website. It was agreed that Cardinham should also express their displeasure in particular about the cost implications of buying the necessary equipment and the inadequacies of the website. **Action taken.**
- (ii) Information on the alternative service on library and one stop shops being provided by Cornwall Council
- (iii) Purchase order re Local Maintenance Partnership 2015.
- (iv) Information re the case for Cornwall being the first rural authority to agree to the Devolution for Cornwall.
- (v) Correspondence from Mr A Bonker (circulated to councillors prior to meeting) commenting on difficulty of hearing and audibility at Parish Council meetings quoting Local Government Act 1972 and Disability Discrimination Act 1992. Agreed that it will be an agenda item August meeting. A second e-mail also requesting draft minutes of meeting June 16th 2015 prior to the meeting. The Clerk asked councillors to confirm that at the Annual General Meeting held on June 16th it was unanimously agreed that the standing order 15 precluded any minutes being provided to the press or public until approved by the Council and signed. This was confirmed by councillors. The Clerk then stated that the rest of the e-mail would not be read because he considered it unnecessary and derogatory.

99/ 15 Finance

The Income & Expenditure statement for the financial report showed that the relevant payments of 6 cheques to the value of £845.07p. Cllr S Smart proposed payment of all accounts, seconded by Cllr P Tucker. All in favour.

100/15 Planning Applications

Prior to discussions on the first application it was agreed that the Council come out of committee to allow Mr D Saunter the opportunity to speak on his application.

Proposed by Cllr S Smart, seconded by Cllr M Frost. After information provided by the applicant the Council went back into committee.

PA15/ 05803 Mr D Saunter- new dwelling at Kingsley, Teason Hill, Cardinham Support.

Cllr G Tucker left the meeting whilst the next application was discussed.

PA15/ 06047 Mr & Mrs D Joy- fenestration alterations to east elevation of existing lean-to. New external patio area at Old Cardinham Lane. Support.

Cllr G Tucker returned to the meeting.

101/15 Planning Decisions

PA15/04323 Forestry Commission – construct a concrete pre-barrage fish easement with low flow notch below the culvert bridge to improve fish migration at Ladyvale Bridge, Cardinham. **Approved.**

102/15 Cemetery

The Clerk stated that he had not received any communication from DP Solomon re contract for weed- spraying and replacing chippings on the cremation plots. Cllr G Tucker stated that he would not be forwarding a quotation because his insurance policy did not cover spraying.

It was confirmed that Kerrow Memorials had not contacted either the Clerk or the Deputy Chairman to estimate the repair work on the war memorial.

103 /15 Neighbourhood Survey

In Cllr M Martin's absence there was no report and discussions would be put back until the August meeting. **Agenda item for next meeting.**

104/15 Footpaths

Cllr G Tucker stated that he had nearly completed the list of work on footpaths presented to the last meeting and he was cutting the remainder of the footpaths on the LMP register.

Closure of Bridleway 21 for public safety due to flood damage extended to July 12th 2016.

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105/ 15 Emergency Plan

Cllr S Smart said there had been no movement this month and would now contact CRCC for some assistance. It was hoped that a meeting could be set up together with a training session for the defibrillator.

106/15 Dualling the A30

In Cllr M Martin's absence no report was available.

107/15 Highway Matters

Cllr G Tucker suggested that Cornwall Council (Cormac) be requested to trim the hedges on all the busy back roads to improve visibility and road safety during the work on the A30.

Cllr G Rogers suggested that also 30 mph speed signs be erected. He then mentioned that he assumed that the original reason for the A30 work to be done during the busy Summer months was to make use of the extra hours of daylight. It would seem however that there is no work being done in the evenings.

108 /15 Parish Matters

Cllr G Tucker had received complaints that neighbours had been covered in spray during a recent aerial spray of bracken surrounding the airfield. The Clerk would make further enquiries.

Cllr G Rogers questioned if the telephone kiosk was now owned by the Parish Council it should be insured.

Cllr S Smart reported that there is a Pasty and Ice Cream Day at the airfield on Saturday July 25th.

Cllr G Tucker stated that the cattle grid at the bottom of Treslea Hill was in need of repair.

Cllr P Tucker said that an excellent job had been done on fencing the commons at Treslea by the owner Mr Marshall Helleur. Cllr S Smart to contact other owners to get the rest completed.

109/15 Any Other Business

Cllr G Rogers requested the questions be asked to County Councillor C Batters if it is correct that top-soil is being purchased from South Wales to backfill certain local amenity sites. He then proposed that planning applications should be put on the agenda at the start of meetings in order that applicants could then leave instead of sitting through most of Council meetings, this proposal was seconded by Cllr P Tucker. All in favour.

The Clerk then read a letter giving notice that he would be ending his role as Parish Clerk as from the next meeting August 18th.

Next Parish Council meeting on Tuesday August 18th 2015 to be held at Cardinham Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm

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