

CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

held at Cardinham Parish Hall on Tuesday November 19th 2013.

Present: Councillor Mrs J Best,(Chairman), Councillors: M Frost, S Haynes, Mrs T Irwin, T Keat, M Martin, G Rogers, S Smart, P. Tucker, County Councillor C Batters and Parish Clerk D. Stevens.

The Chairman, Mrs J Best welcomed 2 members of the public .

131 /13 Public Session

County Councillor

County Councillor C Batters reported on the fire hydrant situation within the Parish following the reports at last month's meeting of the incident in Millpool. He stated that maintenance is on a contract with Cornwall Fire and Rescue with the requirement to check and maintain hydrants once every 5 years. This is serviced by a workforce of 5 persons to cover 15000 hydrants in the County. The water pressure and water flow is the responsibility of SW Water.

He added that the issue with the beech tree at the property in the middle of the village of Cardinham should be resolved within the next 2 weeks.

Police

PCSO L Paynter tendered his apologies and the Clerk stated that he had difficulties in retrieving the monthly police report on the computer but would forward one to councillors later. It appeared that a number of incidents were now being covered by Liskeard police and the Clerk was asked if those figures could also be obtained and reported to future meetings.

Public

Mr Bonker referred to the agenda item at the previous month's meeting and the discussions on Neighbourhood Planning. He wished for councillors to take into consideration the impact of any substantial planning development, in particular affordable housing , within a small village lacking the appropriate amenities.

132 / 13 Apologies

There were apologies from Cllr G Tucker.

133 / 13 Declaration of Interest

It was recommended that there should be declarations of interest from all Councillors on Agenda item 8 Planning application PA13/09807 Cardinham Parish Hall because the Parish Council are trustees of the Hall.

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134 / 13 Minutes of Previous Meeting.

The minutes for the Council Meeting on October 15th 2013 had been circulated and were approved, subject to an addition to minute 130/13. Proposed by Cllr P Tucker and seconded by Cllr S Smart. All in favour.

135 /13 Matters Arising.

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

Min 121/13 The Clerk reported that letters had been written to Mr Robertson and the occupants of Penolver, Little Downs. Also he had been in contact with Mr Solomon (Min 122/13) and the area had now been trimmed.

136 / 13 Correspondence

- (i) Details of 92nd Lands End Trial going through the Parish on April 18th and 19th 2014.
- (ii) November update on progress from Lanhydrock Cycle Hub on recent work on proposed developments.
- (iii) Invitation from Cornwall Blind association to Xmas Carol Service at St Petroc's Church on Thursday December 19th at 3pm.
- (iv) Notes from AON Insurance on the Council's policy cover for snow clearance.
- (v) Cornwall Air Ambulance seeking a donation. (Will be considered in April).
- (vi) Nature workshops have been awarded 420 trees from the Woodland Trust to promote nationwide tree planting movement.
- (vii) Wind and Solar landscape Guidance Training at Launceston Town Hall on December 3rd at 7.00pm. (Details to be forwarded to Cllr Mrs T Irwin).
- (viii) A 62 page consultation document on Entertainment Licensing from Cornwall Council.
- (ix) Dates of rubbish/recycling collection for Parish over Xmas period.
- (x) Document on Scrap metal dealer registration following concerns of metal theft from village and town buildings,
- (xi) Offer on stickers on 'Dog fouling'
- (xii) Dates set forthcoming Bodmin Community Network meetings- Jan 30th, April 30th, July 30th and Oct 29th.

137 / 13 Finance

The Clerk circulated to members of Council the Income & Expenditure statement for the month ending November 19th 2013. It was then proposed by Councillor S Smart, seconded by Councillor M Martin to accept the financial report and make the relevant payments of cheques amounting to £ 729.30p. All in favour.

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138 / 13 Planning Applications

The Council had a lengthy discussion on the planning application PA13/09807 Cardinham Parish Hall and expressed real concerns at the proposed extension. It was agreed that the Chairman Cllr Mrs J Best should contact the Hall's committee and suggest that the application be deferred until a meeting is held with representatives of the Parish Council (Trustees) to discuss their concerns over the application.

139/13 Planning Decision

PA13/08381 Dingle Brothers – Siting of a small plug and flow Anaerobic Digester with a plant building and biogas store at Callywith Farm, Cardinham. **Approved.**

140 /13 Parish Grass Cutting Contract

The Clerk read the note from current contractor DP Solomon that clarified the current figures and that it would stay the same for the following year. It was felt that there was a need to include a regular cut for the area behind the Church and the Clerk was instructed to write to Mr Solomon asking for new figures that included this area from June to the end of the cutting season. **Action taken.**

141/13 Neighbourhood Planning

As promised County Councillor C Batters had sent details of the meeting held in Bodmin and the Clerk stated he would forward copies to all the councillors who were interested. After considerable discussion it was agreed to form a sub-committee: (Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Councillors M Frost ,S Haynes, Mrs T Irwin, M Martin and S Smart) who would produce a process and the way forward on this Project.

142 /13 World War I Centenary

Cllr S Smart reported that as yet there had been no response to the article in the Parish magazine requesting details of relatives of persons named on the war memorial. It was agreed to continue the request in forthcoming newsletters in the hope that names will be forthcoming. Also it was felt that the offer from the Woodland Trust read in correspondence should be followed up with the possibility of getting 15 trees (one for each of the local men who lost their lives in World War I) to plant in the Parish.

143 / 13 Footpaths

The Clerk reported that notification from Forestry Commission that the Bridleway 37 – Cardinham Woods would be closed for tree felling from November 4th – March 28th 2014.

144 / 13 Highway Matters

Road Closure notice. Fletcher's Bridge Hill – Ladder Lane Cardinham – surface dressing November 18th -29th.

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Cllr M Martin stated that the flooding problem in the middle of Millpool from drains being blocked by leaves continues and County Councillor C Batters agreed to report the matter.

145 /13 Dualling the A30

Councillor M Martin gave an update on progress of the process to finalise the contract. Persons have until November 22nd to register their interest with the Planning Inspectorate and all will be kept fully informed of future developments. Cornwall Council have stated that they have set aside a budget of £10 million.

The Clerk read the representations that he submitted on behalf of the Parish Council: Cardinham Parish Council have regularly discussed this matter at their monthly meetings .Within our Parish the A30 Temple – Higher Carblake stretch of road has been blighted by a number of serious road accidents over a number of years, some of which unfortunately have resulted in fatalities and/ or major life changing injuries. Figures compiled from the Highways Agency record this section of road has above average accident figures for a major single carriageway trunk road. It also suffers frequent tailbacks of traffic stretching many miles in both directions not only during the very busy Summer holiday season but now as frequently throughout other periods of the year. It ,being the main arterial road leading through the spine of the County creates major disruption to Cornwall’s business and tourist economy. Tourist information from Visit Cornwall states that the vast majority of visitors choose to drive to our County mainly for the convenience of getting around Cornwall but their adverse comments frequently refer to the frustration of sitting in 10-12 mile traffic jams on the A30 ! The area around Temple is part of Bodmin Moor and is often affected by localised extremes of weather and continuation of the dual carriageway through this stretch would make it a much safer road to travel.

The current road is not fit for purpose in this 21st century and it clearly fails in the safety criteria required for modern day road users.

146 / 13 Emergency Plan

Cllr S Smart advised that a sub-committee should be formed to draft an emergency plan for the village to ensure that the villages were aware of a procedure was in place should a ‘disaster’ type incident happen in the vicinity. The Clerk stated that he had a copy of the 54 page document prepared by St Erme Parish Council to assist councillors.

147/13 Parish matters

- (i) Problems with fly-tipping on the Common.
- (ii) Following the poor attendance in recent years, it was agreed to combine the Annual Parish meeting and the Parish Council meeting to the same evening May 20th 2014 at 7.00pm.

Next Parish Council meeting on Tuesday December 17th 2013 to be held at Cardinham Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35 pm

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