

DOBWALLS AND TREWIDLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council held in Trewidland Village Hall, Trewidland on Wednesday 19th October 2016, commencing at 7pm.

Present: Councillors J Dunn, Vice Chairman, M Morford, M Mackie, H Francis and D Finch

In Attendance: Mrs L Coles (Clerk), Cllr P Seeva (Cornwall Council)

There were 5 members of the public present.

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr P Scott, Cllr Dunn, Vice Chairman, took the Chair for the meeting.

Item 1. Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr P Scott, Chairman, Cllr D Mills, Cllr T Kitto and Cllr M George (Cornwall Council).

Item 2. Declarations of Interest a) Agenda items. None b) **Gifts.** None were declared.

Item 3. Consideration of Written Dispensations. None were received.

Item 4. Unitary Councillors' Reports.

Cllr Seeva updated the Parish Council on the recent meeting of Cornwall Council, where there had been a vote on the review of the number of councillors for the County, which is currently 123 but is looking at a reduction to between 105-115. The timing for the decision on this is May 2017 but it will not come into force until May 2021. Cllr Seeva explained that if the numbers were to be cut more drastically then the worry would be that the shared workload for those remaining would become too great and things may not be covered adequately. Also, the economics of this would not make sense because those remaining would command greater salaries to deliver the work. Cllr Francis pointed out that the number of Cornwall Councillors was cut to a third when the Authority became Unitary. Cllr Seeva did not know if this will go out to public consultation. There will be an Extraordinary meeting of Cornwall Council on the 1st November when a decision will be made on the Devon Wall and the Boundary Review. Cllr Mackie asked if Cllrs Seeva and George will provide a piece for the March edition of the Villager.

Item 5. Public Participation. A member of the public asked if the Parish Council received funding from wind turbines. Cllr Dunn explained about the funding for Trewidland from the Solar Farm. Mike Hashill asked what cooperative working there is between this Parish Council and its neighbouring parishes. Cllr Mackie explained the role of the Community Network Area meetings and talked about Neighbourhood Plans.

Pat Earl said that the Village Hall Committee had discussed the new build of the hall with the Trewidland Community Group and had given the project its support. Steve Huggett said that Viridor Credits will possibly be a major source of funding, the last round of which looks likely to be in January 2017. A Feasibility Study has been carried out and the first step is to submit a planning application to Cornwall Council. The Group is asking for a grant from the Parish Council to pay the cost of this planning application (to be discussed under agenda item 16 (c)). Cllr Francis said that the Locality Fund is available specifically for local projects. Cllr Dunn explained the Third-Party Contribution necessary for the Viridor application.

Item 6 Response to Public Participation. Responded as above.

Item 7. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 21st September 2016: Cllr Francis proposed, Cllr Morford seconded and all were in favour that the Chairman should sign the minutes as a true record of that meeting subject to the following amendment.... Page 21, Item 11.... *'Cllr Francis to be changed to Cllr Finch'*.

Item 8. Matters Arising from the above Minutes.

Page 19, Item 5, the Clerk will chase Cornwall Council regarding the overgrown bushes at 28 Twelvewoods. **Clerk**

Page 19, Item 5, The Clerk will chase up the donor of the land. **Clerk**

Page 19, Item 5, the Clerk will speak to the Post Office re the differing postal areas in Trewidland. **Clerk**

Page 20, Item 8, the Clerk has sent a map showing the areas for weed spraying to George Du Plessis, Callington Town Council, and is waiting for a quote for the work.

Page 20, Item 8, the Clerk received a letter from Enforcement who are going to visit the site of the caravan at Trewidland.

Page 20, Item 8. The Clerk will report that the path that runs from the bridge on Havett Road, joins up with Twelvewoods Lane and goes on up to Coldwinds Lane is very overgrown. **Clerk**

Page 20, Item 8. Cllr Francis asked if there was any response from Peter Heron, Highways England, to Cllr Scott, Chairman. The Clerk has not heard anything.

Page 21, Item 12. Golden Oak has informed the Clerk that the footpath beside the Trewidland Village Hall has been cut as per his schedule.

Item 9. Planning:

To receive notices of new planning applications received before the agenda finalised and RESOLVE the Parish Council's response

- a) **PA16/08998**, Mrs Stoneman, Land SW of Hendra Cottage, Tremabe Lane, Dobwalls, Cornwall. Application for Outline Consent for the construction of a dwelling with associated access and parking. It was pointed out that this development is very close to existing properties, it is over cramming of the site and the Parish Council would like to suggest that better vehicle and pedestrian access is provided. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to support this planning application with the above comments included in the response. **Cllr Finch proposed, Cllr Morford seconded, 3 votes for, 1 against and 1 abstention.**
- b) **Cornwall Council Planning Decisions received: PA16/05970.** Matt Extall, Lower Landazzard Farm, St Cleer, Cornwall. Conversion and extension of two derelict barns into 2 no two-bedroom holiday units. **Approved with conditions.**
- c) **Other Planning Matters.** The Clerk has received a response regarding Hicks Mobile Fish and Chips asking if the Parish Council would agree to the van being sited further along the road, away from the junction. It was agreed that the only site suitable would be the car park of the Memorial Hall. Failing this, it was suggested that the van is parked in the entrance of Braeside Park. The Clerk will reply to Cornwall Council. **Clerk**

Item 10. Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Cllr Mackie had circulated a report of the last meeting of the group. Dates have been set for the next two meetings, one in Dobwalls and one in Trewidland, and the final meeting in Dobwalls. An agenda and a Power Point Presentation have been set for the meetings. The Clerk will produce 20 laminated posters. Letters will be sent to all residents of the Parish and to local businesses and organisations. The Clerk will organise the printing of the letters. **Clerk**

Item 11. Police Report.

The Have Your Say Report had been circulated to Members. Cllr Finch will attend the next meeting.

Item 12. Footpaths.

There are ongoing problems with Coldwinds Lane and Tammy's Lane. Cllr Dunn will look and see what the current position is and report to the Clerk. **Cllr Dunn**

Item 13. Highway Matters.

The roundabout at Twelvewoods needs to be cleared. Rebecca Dickson needs 6 weeks' notice. It was agreed that the Clerk will contact her with a date on mid-December, on a Saturday morning, to give her time to arrange the traffic management. Cllr George has put out a call for anyone with spare shrubs that can be planted on the roundabout to come forward.

Item 14. Villager Magazine.

Cllr Mackie said that the poster that has been produced for the NDP will be used as the cover for the next magazine. Cllr Mackie said that she needs the details of the Parish in Bloom prize winners. The Clerk will write to the Dumpy Bag Man and to Rowes Garage to explain that, whilst their invoices remain unpaid, their adverts will be withdrawn from the magazine. **Clerk**

Item 15. Correspondence. To **RESOLVE** Parish Council's response to the following:
No correspondence received.

Item 16. Finance.

a) It was **RESOLVED, Cllr Francis proposed, Cllr Finch seconded and all were in favour** to make the payments and sign the following cheques:

- Cheque 101250 – Linda Coles, Clerk, September salary and expenses.
- Cheque 101251 – Post Office, HMRC, PAYE for Clerk - £80.00
- Cheque 101252 – D&L Grounds Maintenance- Maintenance & Grass Cutting - £486.45
- Cheque 101253 – Launceston Town Council Clerk's planning training- £18.00
- Cheque 101254 – Golden Oak, 2nd payment for footpath cutting - £360.00
- Cheque 101255 – M. Mackie, Reimbursement for ink cartridges used - £53.04
- Cheque 101256 – Crystal Clear, Bus Shelter Cleaning - £35.00

Receipts: None

b) The Bank Reconciliations and Statements for September were signed by the Chairman as being correct. **Cllr Francis proposed, Cllr Finch seconded with all in favour.**

c) **Grant Application from Trewidland Community Group.** After discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to award a grant of £1,540 to cover the planning application for the proposed new village hall. This money will be taken from the Solar Farm Fund. **Proposed by Cllr Mackie, seconded by Cllr Morford, four votes for and one abstention.**

d) **Conclusion of Annual Audit 2015/16.** The Clerk reported that the External Auditors had approved the Annual Return with no actions to be taken. However, the Auditor had commented that the amount of Reserves held by the Parish Council was rather high in relation to the Precept. The Clerk will email the documents to all the Members. **Clerk**

Item 18. Items for Inclusion in Future Meetings

There were no items reported for inclusion. However, the date of the December meeting was agreed to be brought forward to the 14th December.

Item 19. Date and time of next meeting.

The next meeting of Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 16th November commencing at 7.00pm in the Dobwalls Methodist Schoolroom, Dobwalls.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm

Signed.....Chairman, Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council

Date.....

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