

## DOBWALLS AND TREWIDLAND PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council held at Trewidland Village Hall, Trewidland on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017, commencing at 7.00pm.**

**Present:** Councillors J Dunn, Chairman, T Kitto, H Francis, A Tween, H Blee, J Collis and M Mackie

**In Attendance:** Mrs L Coles (Clerk), Cllr J Pascoe and Cllr P Seeva (Cornwall Council)

There were 3 members of the public present.

**Item 1. Apologies:** Apologies were accepted from Cllr P Scott, Cllr D Finch and Cllr M Morford.

**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 said that the next full Council meeting will be held next week and the big item on the agenda will be the Electoral Review, for which he gave a brief overview. Cllr Pascoe said that she is concerned about geographical representation. Cllr Seeva has been elected onto the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly LEP Board. A change to the Community Chest grant was reported, there is now an element of crowd-funding included which means that more money can be raised. Cllr Pascoe has been dealing with the problems of seagulls attacking refuse sacks left out for collection. The Clerk said that a concerned resident has contacted her about this problem. It was said that reusable seagull-proof refuse sacks are available from the One Stop Shop at a cost of £3.50 and these have proved to be very successful in preventing the seagulls from getting at the rubbish.

Cllr Mackie said that, reference the Electoral Review, if the number of councillors is reduced to 87 the increase in electorate per councillor in the Liskeard area will almost double.

### **Item 5. Public Participation.**

- Delivery vans are being hampered by the overgrown branches of trees in Trewidland. There was some discussion regarding the ownership and responsibility of the trees. Cllr Seeva will look into this matter.
- The Agent for planning application PA17/05400 gave some background to the application. The proposed five dwellings will replace a building of Mundic Block construction and the application has been submitted under the new guidelines of rounding-off; the previous application for two dwellings was submitted under the guidelines of infill. The number of actual dwellings will depend on the reserved matters.
- The owner of the property for planning application PA17/05857 spoke about his proposed plans for amendments. Skylights will be installed in the main house to provide more light and garages will be built for holiday makers' vehicles to alleviate the problems of having to park under a row of Scots Pines which shed needles and sap. Detailed diagrams and photographs were handed round.
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**Item 6. Response to Public Participation.** Responded as above.

### **Item 7. Planning:**

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

**PA17/03485**, Mr Tim Jones, Viridor waste Management, Lean Quarry, Road from Junction East Brimboyte to Liskeard Road, Horningtops PL14 3QD. Retrospective planning application for temporary use of land for the storage

of topsoil for later use in the restoration of the Lean Quarry Landfill Site. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to support this application. **Proposed by Cllr Tween, seconded by Cllr Mackie, with all in favour.**

**PA17/05400**, Mr HJ Hugh and Mrs LM Pendray, Havett View, Havett Road, Dobwalls PL14 6HB. Outline application for residential Development for up to 5 houses with all matters reserved. Cllr Mackie said that it is impossible to make an informed decision as to whether five dwellings are the right number for the site without a more detailed plan of the proposed layout. The Agent for the Developer said that the site was 2000 square metres, 0.2 hectares in size. Cllr Kitto raised a concern over the access to the site for five properties. Following discussion **Cllr Francis proposed** a motion to Object to the application on the grounds that there is no idea of the layout and no finite number of properties to be developed on the site, **Cllr Collis seconded and all were in favour.** The motion was carried and it was **RESOLVED** to object to the application.

**PA17/05857**, Mr and Mrs B Lonergan, West Tremabe Barn, Tremabe Lane, Dobwalls, Liskeard. External alterations to the house and construction of garages. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to support this application. The development will have no visual impact on neighbouring properties. **Proposed by Cllr Blee, seconded by Cllr Mackie with all in favour.**

- b) **To note planning applications received after the agenda has been published.** None received.
- c) **Cornwall Council Planning Decisions received: PA17/05204**, Submission of details to discharge condition 3 (contaminated land site investigation) in respect of decision notice PA14/07521 – The Showsite, Dobwalls, Liskeard Cornwall. **Discharge of condition – not acceptable.**
- d) **Other Planning Matters.** There were no other planning matters to discuss.

#### **Item 8. To approve the following Minutes:**

- a) Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017. Subject to an amendment to Item 14, page 10, ... visibility remains poor because the **(addition of words): “South West”** verge/hedge..., it was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman should sign the Minutes as a true record of the meeting. **Proposed by Cllr Tween, seconded by Cllr Kitto with all in favour.**

#### **Item 9. Matters Arising from the above Minutes.**

Page 9, Item 10. The drain is still blocked on the road into Trewidland. The Clerk will chase this up. **Clerk**

Page 9, Item 10. Hicks Mobile Fish and Chip Van. Cllr Jane Pascoe will visit the site tomorrow evening. **Cllr Pascoe**

Page 9, Item 10. The fly-tipping by the garages is still there and the ivy has become so overgrown that people cannot use the garages and are afraid to remove it for fear of disturbing the asbestos. The Clerk will report it to Cornwall Housing. **Clerk**

Page 9, Item 10. The Clerk will check the agreement with Wainhomes regarding the double yellow lines in Duloe Road and ask about signage. **Clerk**

Page 9, Item 10. The Clerk has chased Paul Allen regarding the outstanding grass cutting invoices. These have been submitted again and payment has been promised within 2 weeks.

Page 10, Item 10. The Clerk reported that she has booked nine places for the Members on the Code of Conduct training to be held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July at Liskeard.

Page 10, Item 13. The Clerk will send a letter to the occupants at 1 Higman Close, thanking them for cutting the hedge back but pointing out that the bottom part of the hedge has not been done and asking for it to be cut. **Clerk**

#### **Item 10. Electoral Boundary Review.**

Following discussion, **Cllr Tween proposed** a motion to **reduce the number of Councillors to 111, seconded by Cllr Mackie, two votes for and five against**, motion failed. **Cllr Francis proposed** a motion that **the number of Cornwall Councillors should remain at 123, seconded by Cllr Blee, with all in favour**, motion carried. It was **RESOLVED** to submit the following reply to the LGBC: 87 is not the right number of councillors for Cornwall. Councillors would have more electorate to serve and there would be less councillors to sit on committees. Therefore, each councillor would have to be a member of more committees leaving less time to serve the electorate directly. The electorate will not have a voice if there are less councillors to contact. The Parish Council feels that the number of Cornwall Councillors

should remain at 123. The proposed cuts would impact most on rural areas. This Network Area would lose 3 from 8 Councillors, a 40% reduction which is untenable. Clerk to respond. **Clerk**

**Item 11. Neighbourhood Development Plan.**

There was a meeting of the Steering Group on the 17<sup>th</sup> July and things are progressing. An application for funding will be submitted by the end of July, once the final quotations for the website and printing are received. Cllr Mackie said that the main focus of the meeting was for the individual Topic Groups to discuss their ideas and it is hoped that they will be able to report their initial visions and aims to the September meeting of the Steering Group. The Clerk will chase up the website provider regarding setting up a separate website for the NDP. **Clerk**

**Item 12. Police Report.**

No report available.

**Item 13. Honey Meadows Skate Park.**

- a) **Enforcement.** This item is ongoing and will be reported at a future meeting.
- b) It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk should purchase a bin from Glasdon at the quoted cost of 350.48+VAT and contact BIFFA to agree to add the bin to the weekly refuse collection cycle at a cost of £4.10 per week.  
**Proposed by Cllr Francis, seconded by Cllr Blee with all in favour.** Cllr Dunn will look at a suitable place to put the bin at the Skate Park.

**Item 14. Footpaths.**

Cllr Blee reported that the hedge at Newton Court is hanging  $\frac{3}{4}$  over the lane. There is some question over who is responsible for cutting this. **Clerk**

It was **RESOLVED** to ask Golden Oak to cut the footpaths this year, **proposed by Cllr Dunn, seconded by Cllr Collis with all in favour.** The Clerk will contact Golden Oak. **Clerk**

The Clerk has spoken to CORMAC Solutions Ltd regarding the Grass Cutting Contract for 2017/18 and reported that this might be taken over by Cornwall Council in the future.

**Item 15. Highway Matters.**

Twelvewoods Roundabout – Cllr Dunn outlined where the Parish Council is in regard to this proposed work. The Clerk has sent out the Assessment Packs to the Volunteers but they are not happy with completing the Risk Assessment. There is now a very limited number of volunteers willing to take on this project. After long deliberation, it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk will contact CORMAC and state that the Parish Council is no longer able to carry out the work at Twelvewoods Roundabout. **Proposed by Cllr Mackie, seconded by Cllr Kitto, with all in favour.**

The Clerk will contact Rebecca Dickson at CORMAC and ask that Highways England are contacted with a view to clearing the roundabout as soon as possible. **Clerk**

A large pothole was reported on Dobwalls Hill near to the 30mph sign as the Village is approached. The Clerk will report to CORMAC. **Clerk**

It was reported that motorists are speeding in Havett Close, Twelvewoods and up through the main village. It was agreed that this is a Police issue and the Clerk will report it. **Clerk**

**Item 16. Villager Magazine.**

Cllr Mackie reported that the Editorial Team has had its first meeting regarding the September issue. The copy date is the 28<sup>th</sup> July. It was agreed to have the Parish in Bloom Presentation evening at 6.00pm before the Parish Council meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup>. The Clerk will take photographs of the new Councillors for the website and email them for the magazine. **Clerk**

**Item 17. Correspondence.** To **RESOLVE** Parish Council's response to the following:

- a) Communities and Devolution Bulletin re Cabinet's priorities. **Noted**

- b) Communities and Devolution Bulletin re Residents' Survey. **Noted**
- c) Planning Newsletter. **Noted**
- d) Cornwall Council email re success of the Bodmin Dark Sky Application. **Noted**
- e) Consultation on Fixed Penalties. Agreed that CALC's levels should be adopted and Clerk to reply. **Clerk**

**Item 18. Finance.**

- a) It was **RESOLVED, Cllr Francis proposed, Cllr Blee seconded and all were in favour** to make the payments and sign the following cheques:
  - Cheque 101313 – Dobwalls United Church, Grant for cemetery - £2490.00
  - Cheque 101314 - Linda Coles, Clerk, June salary and expenses.
  - Cheque 101315 – D&L Grounds Maintenance, Amenity Grass cutting and Skate Park- £440.00
  - Cheque 101316 – The Post Office Limited, HMRC Clerk's PAYE for Month 3, June.

**Receipts:** £532.00, Magazine Account re Advertisers.
- b) It was **RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliations and Statements for June were signed by the Chairman as being correct. **Cllr Tween proposed, Cllr Kitto seconded with all in favour.**
- c) It was **RESOLVED** to add Cllr Kitto as a signatory to the bank accounts. **Proposed by Cllr Francis, seconded by Cllr Tween with all in favour.** The Clerk will obtain a new mandate form. **Clerk**

**Item 19. Items for Inclusion in Future Meetings**

Cllr Francis asked that clarification is obtained from Cornwall Council Planning regarding applications that have not been notified to the Parish Council, namely regarding a development opposite Lean Cottage. **Clerk**

**Item 20. Date and time of next meeting.**

The next meeting of Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2017 commencing at 7.00pm in Dobwalls United Church Schoolroom, Dobwalls.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

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

Date.....

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