

DOBWALLS AND TREWIDLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council held in Dobwalls United Church Schoolroom, Dobwalls on Wednesday 15th November 2017, commencing at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillors J Dunn, Chairman, M Mackie, Vice Chair, T Kitto, M Morford, H Blee and D Finch

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

There was 1 member of the public present.

Item 1. Apologies: Apologies were accepted from Cllr Collis, Cllr Tween and Cllr Francis.

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. Casual Vacancies. It was agreed that the Clerk will liaise with the applicant for the January meeting. **Clerk**

Item 5. Unitary Councillors' Reports. Cllr Seeva said that the next full Council meeting will be held next Tuesday and the major motions to be discussed will be the Boundary Commission Devonwall vote and the vote of no confidence in the current Police and Crime Commissioner. There is a lot of talk about council tax rises, but no decision will be made until February. Cllr Seeva attended a meeting at Trewidland village hall and reported that the Trewidland Community Group, which was pursuing funding for a new hall, has disbanded. Cllr Seeva will send a copy of the Community Chest application form to the Clerk. **Clerk**

Cllr Pascoe said that Cornwall Council is debating and considering a new Waste contract for Cornwall; fortnightly collections of the general waste and weekly collections of recycling, including food waste. There is a desire to see recycling rates increase. Cllr Pascoe said that she has spoken to the police regarding the speeding vehicles in Dobwalls, but it was reported that it has not stopped. The crash barrier has not been repaired yet but is on a schedule of work to be done by Highways. Cllr Pascoe has had a conversation regarding the signs for the Fish and Chip Van but last week there were still eight put up in the village. The Clerk has informed Licensing that the Parish Council would like to see two signs as a maximum. Cllr Pascoe will speak to Mr Hicks. It was reported that one of the garages in Havett Close has been re-roofed, one has been cleaned off by a tenant, but the rest remain covered with ivy. The Clerk has reported this to Cornwall Housing again. It was reported that the Remembrance Day Service was well attended. Cllr Blee asked about the signage to accompany the double yellow lines in Duloe Road, which was part of the Wainhomes agreement. Parking outside the schools was discussed in general and Cllr Seeva said that Cornwall Council has started to look at this problem.

Item 6. Public Participation. A member of the Trewidland Village Hall Committee reported that it is pushing on with the quotes for the repairs to the hall roof and a new kitchen. Cllr Mackie said that it is necessary to look at the strategy of what the next steps are in the process of making the hall the best it can be, Cllr Dunn asked the committee to bring the matter back to the Parish Council once the quotes have been decided upon.

Item 7. Response to Public Participation. As above.

Item 8. Planning:

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

PA17/10083, Mr & Mrs G Wherry, Land SE of Beneathway Farm, Beneathway, Dobwalls, Cornwall. Erection of one 3-bedroom bungalow. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to support this application **Proposed by Cllr Kitto, seconded by Cllr Finch with all in favour.**

b) **To note planning applications received after the agenda has been published.**

PA17/09967, Mrs Caroline Waters, Land North West of Doublebois Industrial Estate, Doublebois, Cornwall. Construction of stables, tack rooms and hay stores. It was **RESOLVED** to Object to this application, **Cllr Kitto proposed, Cllr Morford seconded, 5 votes for and 1 against**, for the following reasons:

1. The Parish Council is very concerned that the development appears to be larger than is needed for the private stabling of horses. The size of the development seems to lend itself to that of a commercial concern. Condition 4 of the Grant of Conditional Planning Permission states that the development must be for private use only and it would appear to be larger than is necessary and leaning towards potential expansion.
2. The Parish Council still has very serious concerns about the access to the site despite the proposal to move the entrance back. Vehicles and horse riders will be exiting onto an extremely busy junction with the A38.

c) **Cornwall Council Planning Decisions received:**

PA17/07769, Conversion of first floor offices into a residential flat at Rowes Garage, Dobwalls, Liskeard, Cornwall. **Approved with conditions.**

PA17/10269, Submission of details to discharge condition 6 in respect of Decision Notice PA15/11939, dated 29/07/16 at Southern Halt, Havett Road, Dobwalls, Liskeard, Cornwall PL14 6HB. **Discharged Enforcement Notices acknowledged and Noted.**

d) **Other Planning Matters.**

- i. **Honey Meadows Skate Park.** The Skate Park has been fenced off and notices put up indicating its closure until the development is signed off by Cornwall Council. Cllr Dunn gave details of why there is a difference in the final design and reported that the remedial work to prevent flooding has been carried out.
- ii. **Planning Conferences.** The Clerk has booked four places at the Planning Conference on the 28th November for Cllr Dunn, Cllr Mackie, Cllr Francis and the Clerk.

Item 9. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th October 2017.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman should sign a copy of the above Minutes as a true record of that meeting.

Proposed by Cllr Kitto, seconded by Cllr Mackie with all in favour.

Item 10. Matters Arising from the above Minutes.

Cllr Mackie said that she has received a verbal quote of £400 for putting up the new Notice Board at Trewidland (September Minutes), generally tidying up the area, putting down a base for the new Grit Bin and building a retaining wall. This is the first phase of the project. The Clerk will order the Notice Board. **Clerk.**

Cllr Mackie had emailed details of the Parish footpaths, Cllr Dunn and the Clerk will look at these and feedback.

The Clerk has reported the mud etc. on the road in Trewidland and BIFFA has been asked to deploy the mechanical sweeper.

Cllr Pascoe will pursue the matter of the pothole on Dobwalls hill with Paul Allen, CORMAC.

The Clerk has sent a letter regarding the parking on the pavement at Dobwalls.

The Post box in Trewidland, the Clerk has reported again as it clearly is not on a schedule to be repainted every five years.

The Clerk has reported the overgrown banks and hedges through the village of Trewidland to CORMAC and is waiting a reply.

The Clerk has reported the problems with drainage and flooding in the Lane from Horningtops to Trewidland to CORMAC.

The Clerk has reported the overgrown hedges and poor visibility for motorists exiting Trewidland at the junction onto the B3252 at Horningtops.

Item 11. Trewidland Village Hall. The Clerk read out the hall report from Pat Earl. Regarding the request for a bench in commemoration of an ex-councillor, it was agreed, following discussion, that the Clerk will respond that, whilst in the past such benches may have been purchased, it is not a best spend of public money. However, the Parish Council is

willing to grant funds for the purchase of a bench for the village, to which Memorial plaques can be added. The Clerk will send a Grant Application form to Mrs Earl for completion. **Clerk**

Item 12. Local Government Boundary Review. Cllr Mackie circulated maps and gave some detail. A discussion followed. This will be an Agenda item for the next Community Network area meeting on the 16th January 2018.

Item 13. Neighbourhood Development Plan. The Clerk reported that the Locality funding has been received. Cllr Dunn and Cllr Mackie are attending Dobwalls School to talk to the children, who are doing a project on their vision for the future, and will take the display boards so that the pupils can put post-it-notes onto them showing what they would like to see in the place that they live. It is hoped to roll this out to Trewidland School at a future date. The next meeting of the Steering Group will be on Monday 20th November and Cornwall Council Officers will be attending to give a presentation. A meeting with the website providers, WesternWeb, is scheduled for the 30th November and Cllr Mackie and the Clerk will attend.

Item 14. Footpaths. Already covered.

Item 15. Highway Matters. The email from Mike Lloyd was read out. The Clerk has already covered the points raised under item 10, Matters Arising. Hedge cutting in Trewidland was discussed. Farmers are reluctant to attach the cutters to their machines because of the time taken to do so. The Clerk will write to the Landowners and will report to Enforcement. **Clerk**. It was reported that Phillip Ward, Tempellow Farm, Trewidland, is cutting down trees from which the arisings are causing flooding because they are blocking the drains. The Clerk will write to Mr Ward. **Clerk**

Item 16. Villager Magazine. The magazine is with the Printers and should be ready for distribution at the end of next week.

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

- a) Email from Nicholas law, Historic England regarding the War Memorial being considered as an addition to the List of Building and Architecture of Historic Interest. The Clerk will contact Adrian Wilton. **Clerk**
- b) Email from Michael Hancock, Cornwall Council regarding the street Trading Consent for Hicks Fish and Chip Van. Cllr Pascoe will speak to Mr Hicks re the signs. **Cllr Pascoe**
- c) Email from PC Garth Hatt stating that the Have Your Say meetings are unsustainable in the current economic climate. **Noted**
- d) Email from Carl Garner, Honey Meadow, requesting a grit bin for the new estate and asking that the National Speed Limit sign on Havett Hill is moved back towards the bridge. It was agreed to consider a grit bin at the bottom of Havett Road (by the bench), an item for the next Agenda, and a Dog and Litter bin up near the bridge. **Clerk**. The Clerk will write to Highways regarding moving the speed limit sign. **Clerk**

Item 18. Finance.

- a) It was **RESOLVED, Cllr Blee proposed, Cllr Kitto seconded, and all were in favour** to make the payments and sign the following cheques:
 - Cheque 101337 - Linda Coles, Clerk, October salary and expenses.
 - Cheque 101338 – The Post Office Limited, HMRC Clerk's PAYE for Month 7, October.
 - Cheque 101339 – Crystal Clear, Bus Shelter cleaning - £35.00
 - Cheque 101340 – D&L Grounds Maintenance, Grass cutting, skate park - £465.00
 - Cheque 101341 – Dobwalls Football Club, Room Hire for NDP - £16.00
 - Cheque 101342 – Trewidland Village Hall, hire of hall for PC Meetings - £56.00
 - Cheque 101343 – Grant Thornton UK LLP, External Audit Report 2016/17 - £120.00
 - Cheque 101344 – Cornwall ALC Limited, Conference and Good Cllr Guides - £38.96
 - Cheque 101345 – SLCC Enterprises Ltd, Training day for Clerk - £82.80

- Cheque 100136 – A-Z Printers, Magazine printing reimbursed to L Coles, Magazine Account - £484.00

Receipts: Cornwall Council, refund of legal fees: £385.80
 Groundwork Locality Funding for NDP £3608.00
 Advertisers in Magazine £96.25.

- b) The Bank Reconciliations and Statements for October were signed by the Chairman as being correct. **Cllr Kitto proposed, Cllr Mackie seconded with all in favour.**
- c) **Grant Application from Dobwalls United Church.** A grant application for 2018 was received and will be considered when setting the Precept.
- d) **Marquee.** A quotation of £447.91 had been received for the repair of the Marquee, which is a Parish Council Asset. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** that in future users will be charged a fee of £50 towards its upkeep. The Clerk will put together a form for Hirers to sign and will carry out the necessary administration and collect the money from the users. The form will include conditions of use and a disclaimer re insurance. **Clerk. Proposed by Cllr Finch, seconded by Cllr Mackie, with all in favour.** The Marquee will be stored at The Football Club for a peppercorn rent. It was **RESOLVED** to spend £447.91 on the repairs to the marquee, **proposed by Cllr Finch, seconded by Cllr Kitto.** All bookings will be done through the Clerk to the Parish Council.
- e) **Budget and Precept.** Clerk had circulated draft budget and precept papers to the Members at the October meeting. Reserves and Grants were discussed, following which it was **RESOLVED** to set the Precept for 2018/19 at £11, 982.82, (Eleven thousand, nine hundred and eighty two pounds and eighty two pence), an increase of 1.5%. **proposed by Cllr Kitto, seconded by Cllr Mackie with all in favour.**
- f) Unity Trust Bank PLC. It was **RESOLVED** to sign a cheque (number 101346) for £500 as the deposit for the opening of the new bank account with Unity Trust Bank Plc. **Proposed by Cllr Blee, seconded by Cllr Kitto with all in favour.**

Item 19. Items for Inclusion in Future Meetings

- Grit bin and Dog/Litter bin for Havett Road.
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Item 20. Date and time of next meeting.

The next meeting of Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 13th December 2017 commencing at **6.30pm** in Dobwalls United Church Schoolroom, Dobwalls.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.55pm.

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

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