

**Notes of the public Meeting held at Trewidland Village Hall, Trewidland, on Wednesday
29th May 2019 at 7pm to discuss the Community and Governance Boundary Review.**

Present: Cllrs T Kitto, M Mackie, H Francis – Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council
Cllrs S Lewis, M Toms, C Boney, J Hesketh (Clerk) – St Keyne Parish Council

In Attendance: Mrs L Coles, Clerk

There were 15 members of the public present.

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1	Welcome. Cllr Kitto welcomed all to the meeting and explained its purpose.	
2	Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllr J Dunn, Cllr A Tween and Cllr J Warburton	
3	Introduction to Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Councillors and St Keyne Parish Councillors All those present introduced themselves to the members of the public.	
4	Brief introduction to the process/maps/timetable. Cllr Mackie gave a brief overview of the process, indicating the maps to illustrate how the boundary would change if Trewidland decided to merge with St Keyne, leaving Dobwalls. Cllr Lewis spoke about the process. There will be a public meeting in St Keyne on 11 th June. Cllr Boney pointed out that if a submission is made on behalf of the parishes, Cornwall Council will decide next year whether it is viable, so there will be plenty of opportunity for public consultation in the meantime. There was discussion and questions from the floor, which were answered as the meeting went along. One member of the public was very against the joining of St Keyne and suggested that a Parish Meeting is formed instead as a breakaway from Dobwalls.	
5	Questions from the Floor One member of the public asked what Dobwalls felt about the split. It was agreed that this is something that only the people of Trewidland can decide. Another asked what St Keyne feels about the process and Cllr Lewis said that it feels quite natural for Trewidland to be part of St Keyne. The villages share natural boundaries, are both rural, as opposed to Dobwalls which is urban, and many facilities are shared. It was asked what the benefits would be of joining with St Keyne; it is logical in terms of landscape character, there is the School that would benefit from children in St Keyne attending it; there is a shared Church; St Keyne has an open cemetery. The differences between Dobwalls and Trewidland are very marked; Parish Council agendas could be more Dobwalls focussed in future and rural considerations might not be. Cllr Boney said that Trewidland would be sharing a Parish Council that will be thinking of spending money for rural needs, should it decide to join with St Keyne. The Band D variances were discussed. Cllr Lewis highlighted some of the projects that St Keyne is spending its money on which has meant that the precept has been higher and said that Trewidland would benefit in the same way. A member of the public said that, as part of the developing Neighbourhood Plan, it had become apparent very early on that the needs of Dobwalls are very different to those of Trewidland. Cllr Francis returned to the question of the Band D properties which at present, in Trewidland pay £1759 per year, £1818 in St Keyne, and pointed out that it would mean an increase of less than £5 per month at today's costs. St Keyne has recently had planning	

	<p>permission granted for 22 new homes, an increase of 10% in the Parish, so the increase in the Council Tax is likely to be less in the final analysis.</p> <p>A former Parish Councillor, who had represented the Ward of Trewidland, said that in the past he had felt that it was an uphill battle trying to get money spent in Trewidland as everything went to Dobwalls.</p> <p>Cllr Mackie said that the Neighbourhood Plan has identified that the policies for Trewidland will be very different to those for Dobwalls.</p> <p>A member of the public said that he is willing to carry out a door-to-door survey in Trewidland to canvas to see how many wish to remain with Dobwalls and how many wish to join with St Keyne. He will liaise with the Parish Clerk, who will put together the survey for his distribution.</p> <p>Cllr Kitto asked for a show of hands from the floor to see what the general opinion was tonight; 13 said that they would like to join St Keyne; 0 wished to stay with Dobwalls and 2 would like to see something else i.e. a Parish Meeting set up. However, Cornwall Council is looking to reduce the number of parishes not increase them.</p> <p>Cllr Francis said that Trewidland Village has lost a lot of its community activities and by joining St Keyne this will open up new opportunities and facilities.</p> <p>Cllr Lewis said that St Keyne is not trying to ‘take over’ Trewidland but the two have a lot in common. Cllr Lewis said that she is happy to be contacted by members of the public if they have any questions. Cllr Kitto pointed people to the websites of both Parish Councils if they wish to make contact.</p>	
6	<p>List of Attendees</p> <p>Cllr Kitto asked those present to complete their names on the list of attendance if they had not already done so.</p>	
7	<p>What happens next?</p> <p>The next Parish Council meeting for Dobwalls and Trewidland will be held in Trewidland Village Hall, on the 19th June at 6.30pm, and this will give people a final opportunity to attend and make their voices heard. This will be the meeting at which the submission is finalised, if it proves that Trewidland would like to leave Dobwalls.</p> <p>After the meeting at St Keyne on the 11th June, that Parish Council will produce a draft submission to be presented to Dobwalls and Trewidland PC.</p>	
8	<p>Close</p> <p>Cllr Kitto thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting at 8.30pm.</p>	

Linda Coles

Parish Clerk to Dobwalls and Trewidland Parish Council