

# Zennor Parish Council

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## Minutes of Meeting Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2014

**Present:** Cllrs Jon Brookes (JB); Jennifer Gourley (JG); Sam Nankervis (SN); Cllr Nick Lambert (NL)

**Also Attending:** Jeanette Ratcliffe (JR), Clerk; Roy Mann (RM), Cornwall Councillor; Jon James, Cornwall Council (left meeting after Item 5); Dylan Hudson, Zennor Backpackers (left meeting after Item 5)

**Apologies:** Lottie Millard (LM); Chunky Penhaul (CP); Nicky Monies (NM); Terry Webb (TW), Neighbourhood Beat Officer; Jenni Pozzi (JP), Parish Transport Liaison Officer

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

As above

### 2. Minutes 14<sup>th</sup> January 2014

Minutes signed as read and correct.

### 3. Matters Arising

- *Planning Application PA13/11514 (Hillside Farm conservatory).* Planning permission granted without alteration to the proposed materials.

### 4. Declarations of Interest

None

### 5. Zennor public toilets lease details - Jon James, Cornwall Council attended

- Jon James reviewed the two options already discussed - 1) Zennor Parish Council leasing and maintaining the present toilet block, with grant guaranteed for one year only; 2) Zennor Backpackers providing public access to its toilets for 5 years in return for land ownership transfer and demolition of public toilet block - and a third possibility 3) leave the situation as it is for a year (with CC continuing to maintain the public toilets) and then review.
- He stressed that, owing to budget cuts, CC cannot guarantee anything beyond 2014/15.
- Discussion focused on concern about the potential loss of public toilets after 5 years versus the onerous cost to Zennor Parish Council of leasing and maintaining the toilet block.
- There was a suggestion that CC include a clause/covenant in the contract with Zennor Backpackers which requires them to maintain public access to their toilets for as long as the building was a Backpackers. Dylan Hudson indicated that the Backpackers would not be happy with that.
- Councillors present at the meeting expressed the following views: put issue off for a year (JG); go ahead with Backpackers deal, ideally with a covenant (NL); agree to Backpackers proposal, but with parish council owning the land and Backpackers paying a peppercorn rent (SN).
- **Resolved:** to seek views from councillors not at meeting and communicate decision to CC; if it comes to an equal vote JB will cast his vote for Backpackers deal.
- **Action:** email absent councillors in order to gather their final view **(JR)**.

### 6. Planning

- a. *Registering of common land – new Notices (2850 Zennor Cliffs & 2848 Tremedda to Treveal Cliff) and NFU/Zennor farmers meeting.* The meeting expressed concern about these two

new notifications and the potential negative impact on agro-environmental management of Zennor's coastal farmland if they are successful. JB highlighted that the planning inquiry for the Watch Croft application, being heard in Zennor village hall, was scheduled for May 23<sup>rd</sup>. The National Trust has employed a common law solicitor to represent them at this inquiry. JB to provide details. SN reported that the NFU has said fencing can be done on common land if it doesn't impede public access and that cutting and burning does not need permission.

- **Action:** Continue to raise the issue on behalf of the parish council and make representations in support of Zennor farmers, after circulating to other councillors for comment (**SN**).
- b. *Planning protocol - displaying planning consultations on parish noticeboard for public information.* It was agreed to adopt this method of advertising local planning applications so that parishioners had time to submit comments to CC.
- c. *CC affordable housing SPD consultation* – poster advertising consultation has been put on the parish noticeboards and that was considered sufficient.

#### 7. Parish Plan

- a. *Neighbourhood Plan (update/next steps).* JG wrote and circulated the summary for Mermaid Echo to be published shortly under the parish council section of the newsletter. Further Fact finding via AONB forum. NL happy to go in principle.
- **Action:** Further fact finding via AONB Annual Forum 22<sup>nd</sup> March which is focusing on Neighbourhood Planning (**JR/NL**).

#### 8. Finance

- a. LMP invoice - CC have been invoiced for Gold Paths payment (£606.60).
- b. Finger post – Dave Tigwell has invoiced £55 for making sleeve for fitting sign to post; payment cheque written during meeting for JB to deliver.

#### 9. Parish Paths

- a. *Way marking & Silver path cutting.* Ali Clough is able to complete the path cutting and improvement to way marking within the remaining LMP budget. She has asked whether councillors would like her to give any parts of the Church Path priority in terms of the way marking improvements.
- **Action:** Ask Ali to give priority to the path across Trendrine, across the stream, and (subject to Harry Mann's agreement) put up additional posts to prevent the public wandering across Trewey fields (**JR**).

#### 10. Transport

- a. *Bus service update.* Email from JP highlighting the fact that the new bus arrangements will not commence until June 1<sup>st</sup> owing to CC contracting timetable. Meanwhile the Gurnard's Head part of existing service has been reinstated following representations to CC and First buses.
- b. *CC School transport consultation.* This service is also under review owing to budget constraints. **Actions:** Advertise consultation in Down Your Way (**JG**); Highlight to Trythall School (**JB**).

#### 11. Correspondence

- a. *CPRE membership invitation.* Decision made not to take up membership.
- b. *CC mobile library service consultation (12 week deadline for comments).* This currently stops at Gurnards Head, Trewey and in the village. **Action:** Talk to service users for their views and encourage people to fill in the online questionnaire (**JB, JG & SN**).
- c. *Police Report for January.* No crimes recorded. In the light of the extreme weather, parishioners asked to keep an eye on vulnerable neighbours and report any flooding.

12. Forthcoming Meetings

- a. *ZPC 7.30 Tuesday 11th March*
- b. *AONB Annual Forum Saturday 22nd March, Duchy College, Stoke Climsland*

13. Other Business

- a. *ZPC Standing Orders (adoption)*. Postponed to next meeting.
- b. *ZPC website (update)* – being finalised by Ben Lambert in the next two weeks. NL will be emailing around for final photos.

**Meeting closed 9.10pm**

**Minutes signed as correct by Chairperson**

**Signature.....**

**Date.....**

