

ZENNOR PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 11TH JUNE 2019 AT 7.30 PM IN ZENNOR VILLAGE HALL

1. PRESENT: Councillors Jon Brookes (Chairman), Sam Nankervis (Vice Chairman), Millie Ainley, Katharine Heron, Nick Lambert. **IN ATTENDANCE:** Fiona Drew (Clerk), Councillor Simon Elliott (Cornwall Council). **APOLOGIES:** Councillor Jennifer Gourley, Peggy Rickaby (Transport Officer).

2. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY & OTHER INTERESTS, RELATING TO ANY AGENDA ITEM, AND TO DETERMINE REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION WHERE APPLICABLE: The Chairman has interests as a Councillor for Towednack Parish Council, Vice-Chairman of the Dark Skies Group, on the Executive Committee of the Penwith Landscape Partnership, and regarding the parish paths.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

4. ACTION REQUIRED ON MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS AS FOLLOWS:

a) **The Parish Meeting held on 14th May 2019:** It was **RESOLVED unanimously** that the minutes, previously circulated, were a true and accurate record of this meeting.

b) **The Annual Meeting held on 14th May 2019:** It was **RESOLVED unanimously** that the minutes, previously circulated, were a true and accurate record of this meeting.

6. MATTERS ARISING:

a) **Review of Council Policies:** It was noted that due to the LLCA meeting that had taken place tonight this would be deferred to the July agenda.

7. PLANNING:

a) Applications:

i) **PA19/01373 & PA19/01374** Proposal: Replace existing septic tank with package treatment plant and relocate onto land owned by applicant. Installation of an effective land drain and outfall dropping down into stream and the associated Listed Building Consent for this change of use. Location: Lower Tregarthen, Zennor. Applicant: Mr Steven Jones. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED unanimously** to support the application and the associated listed building consent, provided it complies with the 2020 General Binding Rules for Septic Tanks, which come into force on 1st January 2020.

ii) **PA19/04336 & PA19/04337** Proposal: Internal alterations and replacement of existing single storey rear extension with new single storey rear extension and the associated Listed Building Consent for this change of use. Location: Winifreds Cottage, 1 Post Office Row, Zennor. Applicant: Mr & Mrs P Yates. Following discussion regarding the situation of the property and proposed design, it was **RESOLVED unanimously** to object to this application and associated listed building consent due to the poor quality of design and material choices which are not in keeping with other buildings in the immediate vicinity, and which would be very visible as the property is an end house.

iii) **PA19/04522** Proposal: Conversion of Barn to Form Dwelling and Associated Works. Location: Land South of Heather Brae, Newmill, Penzance. Applicant: Mrs S Martin. Following lengthy discussion it was **RESOLVED unanimously** to strongly object to this application for the following reasons: the application is incomplete and inaccurate (e.g. height of buildings); the building is in an isolated exposed location away from any other buildings; it is not used as a barn for agricultural purposes and would therefore be a new build and not a conversion; it would be highly visible from both the road and the valley below; the design of the plans do not fit in with the environment

and would not be in keeping with the local vernacular; it would do a significant amount of harm to the AONB; the amount of glazing and associated light pollution does not sit well with an area that is hoping to establish itself as a dark skies community. Councillors **agreed** that they potentially may be more sympathetic to an application that sat within the curtilage of the existing residential site with an appropriate design that was in keeping with the area, provided as a planning gain this included the removal of the current barn that is the subject of this application.

b) Decisions:

- i) **PA19/00665 & PA1900666** Proposal: Change of Use of vacant buildings to light industrial units, a shop / tearoom and a domestic annex and associated works and the associated Listed Building Consent for this change of use. Location: Bridge House, Road Between B3306 and the Old Vicarage, Zennor. Applicants: Mr & Mrs Banks.
APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

c) Appeals: None

d) Pre-apps: None

e) Any other Planning Matter received at or before the start of the meeting: None

9. COUNCILLOR REPORTS:

b) Cornwall Councillor Report: Councillor Elliott reported that he had earmarked £500 from his Community Chest Grant for a further year's Wifi rental for the Village Hall. He also discussed a motion he was currently proposing to Cornwall Council regarding raising awareness of the effects of the menopause. Councillor Elliot then left the meeting at 8.25pm.

a) Chairman's Report: The Chairman confirmed that Jack was still very busy so it was **agreed** that he would approach Terry Monk regarding the noticeboards, and he himself would put up the Parish Map. He reported on the CNP meeting that he had attended, where particular emphasis was on Dark Skies. He read out Kevin Hughes' request to provide a letter of support for Dark Skies, but it was **agreed** that this would be more appropriate once Councillors had actually seen the application. There was also a Climate Change presentation asking Parish Councils to start getting involved and supporting the climate emergency.

8. PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY: It was **agreed** that the Clerk would advertise the vacancy on the noticeboards and invite any applicants to attend the next meeting to give a short talk about why they wanted to be a Parish Councillor and what they felt they could bring to the role. The Chairman had already received one expression of interest.

10. POLICE REPORT: PCSO Webb reported, via the Clerk, that there had been no crimes over the past month.

11. HIGHWAY MATTERS:

a) Transport Report: The new bus timetables were out and Peggy had given them to both pubs. As thought, the Saturday buses have not been reinstated, due to not being economically viable. The Chairman confirmed that he had not heard any more from the Community Bus service.

b) B3306 at Chykembro: The Clerk read out the email received from Dan Hutchings confirming that they are waiting for approval from the Environment Agency and will then look to send over a copy of the finalized design for Councillors to see. As yet there is still no idea on timescale and it was **agreed** that the Clerk would follow this up again.

c) Highway Issues: None

d) Fly Tipping: None

12. VILLAGE MATTERS:

a) Symons Construction response re Flagpole: The Clerk confirmed that currently Symons had no flagpoles but would let the Clerk know if any became available. It was **agreed** that the Chairman would speak with Councillor Elliot and ask for details of the website previously suggested and that this would be discussed on the next agenda.

13. PARISH PATH MATTERS: None

14. COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW: The Clerk confirmed that Parish Councils were being advised to put in a submission even if they didn't want any change, to confirm why they wanted to remain the same. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED unanimously** that Councillors do not wish to propose any changes to Zennor's boundaries, or require the addition of wards. They feel the Parish boundaries accurately reflect the historic nature of the area and that the interests of the community are well met under the current arrangements. In addition, they have no wish to group with another parish or parishes, as they have no viability issues. Having a reduced number of Councillors on a common council, could only lead to a loss of identity for Zennor and its residents.

15. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

a) Annual Insurance Renewal: The Clerk had received three quotes, the cheapest of which was the renewal quote from Ecclesiastical. It was **RESOLVED unanimously** to accept the renewal quote although it was agreed that as this wasn't due to be paid until 14th July payment would be approved at the next meeting.

b) Banking Arrangements: The Clerk confirmed that the paperwork had been completed to remove Lottie Millard as a signatory and to set up the Vice-Chairman with internet access.

e) ICO Registration Renewal: The Clerk confirmed that this was due for renewal on 4th July, and as payment was set up via direct debit the Parish Council would continue to get a £5 discount on the £40 fee.

c) Summary of Accounts: The Clerk circulated a Summary of the Accounts to date and invoices of £656.00 were approved for payment.

d) Notice of Public Rights: The Clerk confirmed that this was now on the website, along with the relevant paperwork, and the Chairman would place copies on the Parish noticeboards on 17th June, to meet statutory requirements.

16. CLERK'S REPORT: The Clerk asked Councillors to note that her Annual Review was due next month and confirmed that she would send the relevant paperwork to the Chairman.

17. CORRESPONDENCE: None

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 9th July 2019

19. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: Councillors to contact the Clerk no later than Monday 1st July with items they wish to be included, other than those already noted in the minutes.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.48pm.

Signed: _____ Chairman

Date: _____