

ZENNOR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Zennor Parish Council held on Tuesday 10th November, via Zoom commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Jon Brookes (Chairman), Sam Nankervis (Vice-Chairman), Molly Banks, Jennifer Gourley, Katharine Heron, Liz Thompson.

In attendance: Fiona Drew (Clerk), Cornwall Councillor Simon Elliott and one member of the public.

81/20-21 Apologies for absence

None

82/20-21 Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation

None

83/20-21 Public Participation

None

84/20-21 Action required on matters raised during public participation

None

85/20-21 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED unanimously** that the minutes of the last meeting held on 13th October 2020, previously circulated, be signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

86/20-21 Matters Arising

The Council noted the Clerk's report regarding matters arising as follows,

- 73/20-21b) National Trust Grazing Programme – update now received.
- 76/20-21a) Pre-Application Working Party Terms of Reference – these will be available for consideration at the December meeting.
- 77/20-21a) Planning for the Future – the Clerk had submitted the Council's response, as drafted by Councillor Heron, and circulated to Councillors for their feedback. Councillor Heron had also drafted a letter to all Cornwall's MPs which the Clerk had sent. As yet only Scott Mann had acknowledged receipt of this. The Chairman thanked Councillor Heron for her all work on this response.
- 78/20-21a) CALC Code of Conduct Training – Councillors Banks, Gourley, Heron & Thompson had now attended this virtual training.

87/20-21 Planning

a) Applications: None

b) Decisions: None

c) Ratify delegated response to PA20/06063: Demolition of poor-quality extensions and replacement with new rear extension, renovations of piggeries and remodelling of garage/workshop. Track access to western residential boundary; Brook Cottage, Tredinnick, Newmill. It was **RESOLVED** to ratify the following comments submitted by the Clerk as agreed at the October meeting: Zennor Parish Council accepts the application in principle and has no major concerns regarding the building development, but would point out that it is an isolated settlement and that any light pollution will affect the isolation and ambience of the area. It would also like to clarify that on the Site Block Plan the original refers to a Garage and the proposed refers to Replacement Barn - this would therefore be a new barn as opposed to a replacement. Councillors do however have serious concerns about the widening of all the access tracks, which has already taken place prior to planning consent being sought. This work that has already been carried out, has been badly managed with spoil thrown onto florally diverse banks and moor and has resulted in a horrific scar across a unique and ancient landscape. Given that this work was undertaken without consultation or consent, it does not give confidence with the management of the future proposed development. The present definitive footpath (120/18/1) skirts close to the property but is blocked from the Southern boundary. It remains open and is used to the East and North of the property leading towards Bosporhennis and the Parish Council would support an application for a diversion to avoid the present route and improve access to the path. Whilst the Countryside Access Team has no objections to the proposals, they do state that 'Footpath 120/18/1 must remain open and accessible at all times', something it currently is not.

d) Local Council Planning Conferences 2020: It was **agreed** that Councillors Gourley & Heron would attend the meeting via Teams on 26th November.

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

88/20-21 Councillor Reports

a) Councillors Report: None

b) Cornwall Councillor's Report: Councillor Elliott reported on the Planning for the Future, consultation and Cornwall Council's response to it. He spoke about the current move for large amounts of Penwith moors and beyond to have a new designation. He advised that for any local businesses claiming small business rates relief that have been forced to close during this second lockdown, there is a grant available to support them. Please ask residents to contact him if they are an exceptional case or want more information.

89/20-21 Police Report

PCSO Webb had emailed that there were no crimes to report. He had forwarded an email regarding the Rural Themes Newsletter from Devon & Cornwall Police regarding fuel & battery theft on farms and online training available regarding loan sharks.

90/20-21 Village Matters

a) Land at Mulfra Common: It was noted that the caravan had now been moved. It was **agreed** that the Chairman would investigate the costs for a contractor to plant stones into the ground at the entrance which would still allowing pedestrian access.

b) Village Pump: The Chairman reported that the Village Pump on Pump Lane had been previously gifted to the Parish but never added to the Parish Council asset register. It was **RESOLVED** to add this on and to ensure it was included on the Council's insurance policy.

c) Parish Plan: The Chairman noted that the Parish Plan was now very old and it was **agreed** that something stronger be considered to represent the views of the Parish. Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDPs) were highlighted and Councillor Elliott confirmed that funding is available for these. It was **agreed** that the Clerk would circulate some background information on NDPs and this would be an agenda item for the next meeting.

d) Drone activity in the Parish: Councillor Heron reported on issues with drone activity recently in the Parish which have been very close to residential properties. It was **agreed** to find out the legal position for using drones and the Chairman would include this in his article for the next issue of the Mermaid's Echo.

91/20-21 Highway Matters

a) Highways Issues: None

b) Fly Tipping: None

92/20-21 Parish Path Matters

a) Any footpath or coast path issues: The Clerk reported that the second cut on the coast path would be completed shortly. Councillor Gourley reported problems with rain and mud on the coast path between Veor Cove and Porthglaze Cove. Councillor Thompson reported that the steps on the bridge on the coast path near Treen Cove were broken. It was **agreed** that the Clerk would report these issues to Cornwall Council.

b) National Trust Grazing Programme: A response has now been received from Ash Pearson at the National Trust, which has been circulated to Councillors. He will arrange a meeting on site with Councillor Thompson when Covid-19 allows.

93/20-21 Dark Skies

No update to report.

94/20-21 Governance

The Clerk reported that, following the Community Governance Review, there would be no change to Zennor's Parish boundaries.

95/20-21 Financial Matters

a) Summary of Accounts: It was **RESOLVED unanimously** to note direct debit payments made, and approved payments due as follows:

Direct Debit Payments:

Google Suite for Sept £4.14

Payments Due:

CALC – Councillor Training £96.00

Martin Westley – Christmas Tree £150.00

b) Half Yearly Reconciliations: The Clerk reported that this had been completed, as required by Financial Regulations 2.2, by Councillor Gourley who confirmed that everything was satisfactory.

c) Maintenance Costs for the Defibrillator at the Tanners Arms: The Clerk outlined the current arrangements and costs and it was **RESOLVED** to continue to pay for the maintenance of this defibrillator for the next financial year.

d) External Wi-Fi at the Village Hall: Councillor Elliott outlined adding a wireless access point outside the Hall, which would make use of the wi-fi currently inside to allow access within a 600m radius around the Hall, thereby making it a wi-fi hotspot. The Village Hall Committee were happy with this proposal. The cost will be approximately £150.00 and Councillor Elliott is happy to help get it set up. It was **agreed** to use the balance from his Community Chest grant for wi-fi provision to fund this. The Chairman noted that it was a listed building and requested that Peggy Rickaby be involved to ensure the siting would be in a suitable place.

96/20-21 Correspondence

None.

97/20-21 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was noted as 8th December 2020 at 7.30pm using Zoom.

98/20-21 Agenda Items for next meeting

Councillors to contact the Clerk no later than Monday 30th November 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 8.32pm

Signed: _____ Chairman Date: _____