

ZENNOR PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Zennor Parish Council held on Tuesday 9th February 2021, via Zoom commencing at 7.30pm

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

In attendance: Fiona Drew (Clerk), Cornwall Councillor Simon Elliott

135/20-21 Apologies for absence

None.

136/20-21 Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation

The Chairman declared an interest in item 146/20-21b). Councillor Heron declared an interest in Item 141/20-21ai) and requested a dispensation for this item. It was **RESOLVED** to grant a dispensation to allow Councillor Heron to speak on matters of fact, owing to her knowledge on the subject, but not take part in the vote.

137/20-21 Public Participation

None

138/20-21 Action required on matters raised during public participation

None

139/20-21 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the last meeting held on 5th January 2021, previously circulated, be signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

140/20-21 Matters Arising

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

- 105/20-21ai) PA20/10157 – Barns at Lower Porthmeor – the Planning Officer has advised that the scaffolding on site has been constructed under permitted emergency works to prevent further damage to the roof; the applicants have confirmed that they have not started works to the building itself although Councillors have queried this – awaiting decision
- 123/20-21ai) PA20/10415 – Change of use at Zennor Chapel – awaiting decision
- 126/20-21a) Land at Mulfra Common – Councillor Heron is organising a contractor to carry out the work and Council will be invoiced when it has been completed
- 126/20-21b) Maintenance of the Defibrillator at the Tinnars Arms – the Clerk has spoken to the Landlord and this is being resolved to ensure the defibrillator is checked regularly
- 130/20-21c) Website – the Clerk & Councillor Banks are working with Adam Curtis and it is hoped the new website will be up and running by the end of March
- 132/20-21e) Land for Sale in Zennor – the Clerk has circulated a link outlining Article 4 Directions and will forward this to the resident who raised the initial concern

141/20-21 Planning

a) Applications:

i) **PA21/00388:** Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness of an Existing Use to certify the continuing lawful use of Carne Cottage as a private dwelling within use Class C3; Carne Cottage, Zennor. Following lengthy discussion taking into account feedback from residents, it was **RESOLVED** to object to this application and a response was delegated to the Clerk, in conjunction with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman. This response would present the facts relating to the four legal tests for a Certificate of Lawfulness and also highlight the enlarged curtilage area that had been included. In addition, it was **RESOLVED** to allow the Clerk to consult with Jon Pender to finalise the Council's response, and any associated cost agreed.

b) **Decisions:** None

c) Any other Planning Matter received at or before the start of the meeting:

i) **PA20/11513:** Ground & First Floor extension; The Piggery Access Track to Mill Downs Cottage, Newmill. This is not in Zennor Parish and as such the Council has not been consulted on this application. It was **agreed** to delegate a response to the Clerk, in consultation with Councillor Lambert and the Chairman, in relation to this application.

ii) **PA20/06063:** Demolition of poor-quality extensions and replacement with new rear extension, renovation of piggeries and remodelling of garage / workshop. Track access to western residential boundary; Brook Cottage, Access Track to Brook Cottage, Tredinnick, Newmill. The Planning Officer is minded to approve this application and has asked for a response from the Parish Council. Council had previously submitted their comments (minute reference: 87/20-21c) and it was **RESOLVED** to 'agree to disagree', highlighting the importance of the use of the footpath continuing clearly and in an unobstructed way, and request that any hedges that are removed are reinstated in liaison with the appropriate authority to ensure the distinctive landscape is preserved.

142/20-21 Councillor Reports

a) **Councillor Reports:** Councillor Heron raised an issue from a resident regarding bike riding on the moors – St Ives eBike Co were advertising bikes for hire to ride on the Penwith & Zennor moors. It was **agreed** that the Chairman would follow this up with the resident and speak to the Bike Hire Company.

The Clerk reported that she and Councillor Heron had attend the recent Community Network Panel Meeting and the launch of the Cornwall Council Localism Strategy. The next CNP meeting in March will include details of the new SSSI proposed designation and the Clerk has circulated slides from the previous meeting.

b) **Cornwall Councillor's Report:** Councillor Elliott reported that there have also been issues relating to bikes and four-wheel drive vehicles at Ding Dong and the police are aware of the problems. In addition, there are ongoing issues with flooding on the roads, the rural highways are constantly running on a deficit budget and the roads are described as in rural decline, and he would welcome any support from the Parish Council on this. Councillor Elliott agreed that he would follow up regarding the ebikes and find out what the legislation was regarding these.

143/20-21 Police Report

PCSO Webb had confirmed that there were no crimes in the area in the past month and highlighted a recent scam relating to National Insurance number fraud.

144/20-21 Village Matters

a) Parish Plan: The report from the previous meeting was noted and it was **agreed** to hold a further workshop on Wednesday 24th February at 7.00 pm.

145/20-21 Highway Matters

a) Highways Issues: None

b) Fly Tipping: None

The Chairman left the meeting for this item and Councillor Nankervis took over as Chairman.

146/20-21 Parish Path Matters

a) Any footpath or coast path issues: A resident had emailed to raise concerns about debris falling into one of the leats when Cormac was strimming. If the leat becomes blocked then the Clerk will report it. Councillor Thompson reported that the bridge doesn't look like it has been finished on the coast path between Treen Cove to Gurnard's Head. It was **agreed** to check if this had been completed and if not when the anticipated completion date was. Councillor Gourley reported that the field path from Treggerthen onwards was so muddy it was virtually impossible to walk but it was **agreed** that there was nothing the Council could do regarding this.

b) Local Maintenance Partnership & South West Coast Path grants: It was **RESOLVED** to continue to take the LMP and SWCP grants and to extend the current contracts for the LMP (Sam Brookes) and SWCP (Tyrone Martin) for three years, subject to mutual agreement on the annual price each February.

Councillor Brookes returned to the meeting and took over as Chairman.

147/20-21 Dark Skies

The Chairman reported that he had completed his meter readings and submitted them to the Dark Skies Group. In addition, two further tests are required which need to be carried out by a professional which have been requested.

148/20-21 Financial Matters

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

Receipts:

LMP & SWCP Grants	£2,790.30
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Direct Debit Payments:

Google Suite for January	£4.14
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Payments for Approval:

Clerk's Expenses £98.91

149/20-21 Correspondence

a) Cornwall Council Code of Conduct consultation: noted

b) Freedom of Information Request – Byelaws relating to UAV Flights: the Clerk had responded to this and no further action was required.

c) CALC request to lobby MPs regarding the need for legislation to extend virtual meetings beyond 7th May – it was **agreed** to write to Derek Thomas MP to confirm the Council's support for this request. Councillor Elliott was also happy to support this request.

150/20-21 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was noted as 9th March 2021 at 7.30pm using Zoom.

151/20-21 Agenda Items for next meeting

Councillors to contact the Clerk no later than Monday 1st March 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 9.15 pm.

Signed: _____ Chairman Date: _____