

Minutes of the Meeting of St Mawgan-in-Pydar Parish Council held in the St Mawgan Community Hall, Wednesday 14 January 2009 commencing at 7.30pm

- Present: Cllrs C R Mitchell (Chairman), K Atkinson, W H J Corbett, S Harding, M Errington, C Coles, I Barry, E Spry, P Harvey and A Thompson.
- Apologies: Cllr W Old
- In Attendance: Mr P R H Roberts (Clerk), Mr J Trevenna (Press), Cllr P Glanville (CCC) and 4 members of the public.
- Police Report: Sgt Fox and PCSO Parry in attendance. Sgt Fox reported 3 incidents in the parish since the last report in December: damage to a barrier at the Airport by a disgruntled customer; theft of a wallet at the Merrymoor, which in all probability was a loss; one case of drink/driving. Sgt Fox advised that with regard to community work, officers had attended the charity Pram Push event and continued with their visits to local schools to meet with staff and pupils. Additionally on behalf of the community the police had raised the issue of the speed limit on the Airport Road with Highways and with regard to the visibility issue at the bend at the top of the hill in Mawgan Porth had provided Cllr Glanville (CCC) with a written list of dates and times of accidents at this corner. Sgt Fox also gave details of a Farm Watch service that PCSO Parry was keen to trial within the parish and handed out a number of leaflets for distribution to local farmers. A number of additional leaflets will also be left at the St Mawgan Post Office. On leaving the meeting Sgt Fox said that she had enjoyed her first year of working in the local area and was pleased with the low crime rate in our parish.
- Declaration of Interest: Cllr Corbett – Personal Interest on any Airport issues.
Cllr Harvey – Personal Interest on any Airport issues.
Cllr Harding - Agenda item 7(a)(v) – Personal Interest.
Cllr Coles - Agenda item 7(a)(v) – Personal Interest.
Cllr Thompson - Agenda item 7(a)(v) – Personal Interest.
Cllr Errington - Agenda item 7(a)(iii) – Prejudicial Interest.
- Public Speaking: Mr Vickery expressed his concern about the speed limit on the Airport Road and requested that the Parish Council lobby for the return of the 30 mph limit. In connection with the Parish Plan project to preserve the St James' Well at Ball Lane, Mr Vickery suggested that the PC investigate the possibility of removing the small crumbling brick and stone pump house which is not an actual part of the well. These points were noted by members.
- Minutes: **001/09** The minutes of the meeting of 10 December 08 had been circulated and were approved and signed as correct.
- Matters Arising: **002/09** Code of Conduct – The Chairman reported that a piece in a local paper referring to the outcome of a Standards Committee decision regarding the PC complaint against an RBC Councillor, had been misleading in reporting the findings. However following the intervention of the Monitoring Officer at RBC, a correction to the report had been printed in an edition of the paper published on the 31 December 08. A final decision on this complaint will be made at the Standards Committee hearing on 23 January 09.
One Cornwall – Cllr Harvey reminded members that there is a Communities and Local Government Department consultation currently taking place on whether elections for the new council should go ahead in June or whether they should be postponed until the Boundary Review has been completed: the PC has until the 30 January 09 to respond. The Clerk advised that he had received a communication from CALC

regarding this and another matter and would conduct a quick straw poll at the end of the meeting.

Cllr Spry arrived at this juncture and apologised for her late arrival.

In response to a request from Cllr Harvey that she wished to leave the meeting early, the Chairman agreed to bring forward agenda item 8 – Airport Road Speed Limit.

Airport Road Speed Limit: **003/09** The Chairman tabled an email received by the Clerk from Mr Steve Bayley the new Area Highways Manager for Highways Central. He stated that this road does not meet the criteria for the reduction of the limit to 30mph on a permanent basis; the key elements of the criteria include reference to built up areas through villages, continuous frontage development and local services such as schools and shops. Mr Bayley had been invited to attend our PC meeting but was unable to attend. Cllr Coles suggested that residents may wish to raise a petition and this met with member's approval. Cllr Harvey suggested that the Clerk writes to Mr Bayley to request a meeting with Cllr Glanville (CCC), Mr David Simpson (Project Manager Newquay Cornwall Airport) and herself to take the matter forward. This was Resolved nem.con.

Cllr Harvey left the meeting at this juncture.

Planning: **004/09** (a) New Applications

(i) Reynolds – 08/01680 – Temporary stationing of mobile home/caravan in connection with the management and supervision of fishing lakes. Mawgan Porth Pool Lake, Retorrick Mill.
The Chairman tabled a letter of objection to the proposal and outlined the planning history relating to this site. Members noted that this business has been operating for at least 4 years but that no reference was made in the business plan to its financial viability during this period. It was also noted that in respect of future income, certain assumptions were made in relation to camping and caravans on site for which no permission exists except for possible permitted rights for a short period only.
Proposed Cllr Corbett, seconded Cllr Thompson that the PC objects to this application on the grounds that a proper viable business plan has yet to be made for this proposal. This was Resolved nem.con.

(ii) Fordy – 08/01741 – Proposed extension to dwelling for garden room and proposed removal of existing back porch to provide for re-instatement of staircase window. Trevedras Farm, St Mawgan.
It was Resolved to raise no objection to this application.

(iii) Baker – 08/01769 – Conversion of garage into habitable accommodation and erection of attached garage. Karibu, Mawgan Porth.
It was Resolved to raise no objection to this application. Cllr Errington having declared a Prejudicial Interest left the chamber for this item.

(iv) Darcy – 08/01793 – Proposed conversion of garage to residential accommodation (resubmission of 08/00605) Seawynds, Tregurrian.
It was Resolved to object to this application on the same grounds as before: the original permission granted for the building of this garage was conditional on it being used for the parking of motor vehicles and as an adjunct to the main property.

(v) Bennett – 08/01808 – Erection of new toilet/shower block and septic tank. Penvose Farm, Tregurrian. It was Resolved to support this application.

(vi) Healy – 08/01811 – 10 new houses on site of existing building. Matthew House, Carloggas, St Mawgan. Members noted the comments made by the Appeal Inspector with regard to the provision for affordable housing and the design detail, when dismissing the Appeal relating to the previous application. It was noted that the Matthew House building is becoming an eyesore in the village and that the site will inevitably be developed. Proposed Cllr Thompson, seconded Cllr Corbett that the PC supports the application for 10 new houses on this redundant site within the development envelope, on the grounds that appropriate improvements in the design of the houses have been made. Voting for the proposal was 7 in favour with 2 abstentions.

(b) Advice from Restormel

(i) Proposed replacement dwelling with integral garage incorporating rain water harvesting, PV, SP, and sustainable energy system. Tanzarra, Tredragon Road, Mawgan Porth. (Min 132/08). Granted.

(ii) Replacement of damaged storage bins with 10 4x4 block built sheds – rendered and painted to match the main building (Min 172/08). White Lodge, Mawgan Porth. Granted.

(iii) Single storey extension and new deck area. 1 Gwel-An-Mor, Mawgan Porth (Min 172/08). Granted.

(iv) Alteration and refurbishments of holiday cottage including increasing size of existing single storey back extension and raising roof by 0.6 metres to provide for insulation and additional headroom to existing upper floor, 5, Porth Farm Cottages, Mawgan Porth (Min 172/08). Granted with conditions.

(v) Proposed extension to dwelling. Alternative design to that approved under 06/00370 (Min 189/08). Kosmos, Mawgan Porth. Granted.

(vi) Raise roof of existing garage/utility area to form room in roof. Erect new detached double garage and convert existing integral garage area to habitable space. Alter existing bedroom windows/doors to give access to existing first floor deck area (Min 189/08). Waters Edge, Tredragon Road, Mawgan Porth. Granted.

(vii) Construction of dwelling and integral garage and associated works (amended design) (Min 172/08) Plot 9, Tredragon Close, Mawgan Porth. Granted.

(viii) Retention of the use of land for storage of touring caravans. Watergate Bay Holiday Park, Tregurrian. Appeal ref. 2080573 has been withdrawn by the applicants and the Planning Inspectorate has closed the file. The Local Inquiry arranged for the 10 February 2009 has been cancelled.

(c) Other Issues

(i) CPRE – Planning assistance – The Chairman tabled a letter from CPRE Cornwall expressing their concern at the demise of the District/Borough councils and the changes brought about by the new planning Bill enacted in November 2008. In view of the possible threat to the rural environment of Cornwall, CPRE Cornwall will offer support to anyone raising objections to planning applications in Cornwall which are contrary to local plan policies, that threaten protected areas of the landscape, and that are considered to be an inappropriate development

within the countryside or in our towns.

(ii) Tredragon Hotel Development – Concern had been raised that as a result of the clearance of vegetation from the lower part of the development site, the exposed sandy soil was being washed out on to the coastal footpath during periods of heavy rainfall. The Chairman advised that the Environmental Impact Statement for this application indicated that the natural vegetation should be preserved with some cutting back of the scrub but not complete removal of the roots. It was agreed that the Clerk notifies the RBC Planning Dept about this problem. Cllr Corbett and Cllr Thompson declared a Personal Interest in this item.

(iii) Trevarrian Holiday Park – Caravan Storage – It was noted that a number of caravans are now being stored out of season at this site. In view of the history of planning issues relating to caravan storage at the neighbouring site, it was agreed that the Clerk seeks clarification from RBC with regard to the storage of caravans at the Trevarrian site.

(iv) Valley View Boundary Fence – Cllr Thompson requested that Cllr Glanville (CCC) contacts the Area Highways Manager to ascertain why realignment of this fence to increase visibility at the adjacent road junction, has not taken place despite apparent agreement having been reached by all concerned parties. Cllr Glanville agreed to pursue the matter.

Newquay
Cornwall Airport
Masterplan:

005/09 The Chairman gave a brief outline of the Masterplan and reported that the public presentation in the St Mawgan Community Hall on Monday 12 Jan 09 given by CCC, was well attended. It was noted that households in the vicinity of the Airport had received a questionnaire from CCC as part of the consultation process but it would appear that it had not been extended to cover Mawgan Porth. In October 08 [Min 150/08 (d)(iii)] the Chairman tabled copies of the Airport Strategic Environmental Assessment and the Clerk advised members if they had any comment to let him have the details and a composite response will be submitted.

Mawgan Porth
Beach:

006/09 (i) General –
(a) The Clerk tabled papers from CCC regarding Open Space/Common Land indicating that the beach and dunes were registered as Open Space. In line with new legislation the PC may review the details. The papers were passed to Cllr Corbett for him to review.
(b) Shingle and Stones - It was Resolved that Cllr Old obtains a quotation for the hire of a digger so that excess material may be cleared before Easter.

(ii) Disabled Access

It was Resolved that the Clerk obtains a quotation from N J Plant for the refurbishment work required fro the Disabled Access.

(iii) Recycling Bins

The Chairman advised members that following the information given by Cllr Glanville at the last meeting, that there remained a sum of money in the CCC Member Community Grant Scheme (which provides grants for local community initiatives), the Clerk completed an application form for funds to provide a modular recycling unit and additional bins for use at the beach to improve litter collection. The Chairman tabled the application for members' approval. Proposed Cllr Thompson, seconded Cllr Corbett that approval is given to the application for a grant of £1000. Cllr Glanville (CCC) confirmed that he had received the application and that it was being submitted for approval.

(iv) Shoreline Management Plan Review

The Chairman gave details of this proposed Review for Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. Various County agencies are commissioning a consultant to prepare a plan for the next 100 years. The review will consider the needs of each section of the coast within the plan area and consider the best course of action in accordance with the policies laid down by Defra. It was agreed that the Chairman and the Clerk respond to the short questionnaire. Additionally the Project Team has called for information that the PC may hold regarding shoreline management. The Clerk agreed to check with members about information that they may hold.

- Playing Field: **007/09** (i) A request had been received by the Clerk for the possible use of the playing field for the landing of a helicopter in connection with a wedding to be held later this year. The Clerk had informed the landowner who was not in favour of the proposition. Members having considered the various problems that this proposal may cause, Resolved not to give permission for this request.
(ii) With regard to the roundabout in the play area, the Clerk advised that Taylor Made would be attending to the problem this week.
- Burial Ground/Closed Cemetery: **008/09** The Clerk tabled a request for an additional inscription to the headstone of the Michell family grave in respect Monica Mary Michell decd. It was Resolved to approve the application. Cllr Coles having declared a Prejudicial Interest left the chamber for this item.
The Clerk reported the burial of Christopher Bennett late of Penvose Farm on the 29 December 08, and Irene O'Keefe late of Trekenning Road, St Columb on the 7 January 09.
Cllr Spry reported that she had removed one of the entrance gates as the lower hinge had broken. The Clerk was instructed to contact N J Plant with regard to fabricating replacement hinges.
- Footpaths: **009/09** (i) The Clerk tabled a letter from a parishioner requesting permission for the erection of a memorial bench near the coastal footpath. The letter indicated that they had the landowner's permission. No objection was raised to the proposal, but it was agreed that the Clerk relays the request to CCC for final approval before any action is taken.
(ii) FP39 Cllr Barry requested that the Clerk ascertain from CCC when they intended to carry out repairs to the surface of this footpath following the Enforcement Officer's visit last August.
(iii) The Clerk advised that, following a discussion he had had with CCC, agreement had been reached that they would supply scrapings/spoil to fill in the potholes in Ball Lane. Mr David Vickery a resident of Ball Lane has kindly volunteered to carry out the work when the material is delivered.
- Verge at Carloggas: **010/09** It was Resolved that the Clerk approaches the PC's Maintenance Contractor for a quotation for the work to tidy up this verge.
- Other Reports: **011/09** Cllr Thompson reported that she had attended the last RBC Newquay and St Columb Area Meeting held on Tuesday 13 January 09 and had raised the various highway issues with members. She was unable to get an answer to her question as to what would replace these consultative meetings in the future.

- Accounts: **012/09** Accounts for payment - It was Resolved that the accounts as listed on the schedule presented to members are paid.
- Miscellaneous Correspondence: **013/09** Communities & Local Government – Consultation - Code of recommended practice on Local Authority publicity. Noted. Clerk to review.
Devon & Cornwall Police Authority – Independent Custody Visitors and Independent Members – posters and information. Noted; posters have been displayed.
CALC – Notification of Annual Conference & AGM 7 Feb 09. Noted.
CCC – Reorganisation of Highway Service – Noted.
Boundary Committee for England – Electoral review of Cornwall – a summary of draft recommendations. Noted.
- Any Other Business: **014/09** 1. The Clerk tabled an email from CALC advising that a County Councillor will present a proposal at the next meeting of the Implementation Executive seeking to abolish this executive after the 1st April. The Chief Executive Officer of CALC requested that a quick straw poll of members be carried out to indicate whether they support that from the 1st of April the decision making body of the Unitary Authority should be (a) Elected members of CCC as the continuing authority, or (b) the Implementation Authority, made up of 12 County Councillors and 12 unelected representatives from former district councils. Members were in favour of (a).
2. Cllr Harvey had reminded members about a consultation being conducted by the Communities & Local Government Department earlier in the meeting (Min 002/09). Members were of the general view that the elections should be held as soon as the Boundary Review is completed.
3. Cllr Harvey had conveyed to members that an invitation had been made by the Airport Development Team to the PC, for members to visit the new Air Traffic Control facility at the Airport. Interested members to contact the Clerk so that arrangements can be made.