

Minutes of the Meeting of St Mawgan-in-Pydar Parish Council held in the Mawgan Porth Village Hall, Wednesday 11 February 2009 commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs C R Mitchell (Chairman), K Atkinson, W H J Corbett, I Barry, W Old, and A Thompson.

Apologies: Cllr P Harvey (holiday), M Errington (away), S Harding (work), L Spry (work), K Flannigan (work), C Coles (sickness) and Cllr P Glanville (CCC)

In Attendance: Mr P R H Roberts (Clerk), Mr J Trevenna (Press), and 26 members of the public.

The Chairman opened the meeting with an announcement that with the impending retirement of the Parish News Editor, the Magazine Committee were seeking a volunteer to take on this important task and asked that if anyone present was able to consider taking on this role would they contact a committee member. The Chairman then thanked the Clerk for his work in obtaining Quality Status for the Parish Council and presented him with the Certificate received from the Cornwall Association of Local Councils

Police Report: Sgt Emma Fox reported that there were no recorded crimes since the last meeting. She advised that the Police had been consulted about the speed limit for the section of road in the vicinity of the airport and supported the return of the 30 mph limit; they were only able to provide one accident report although there had been a few minor accidents which they had not been called to attend. Liaison visits to school assemblies continue, and there is regular police presence at the airport. PCSO Anita Parry continues with her Farm Watch Project.

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Barry – Agenda Item 7(a)(i) – Prejudicial Interest
Cllr Thompson – Agenda Item 7(a)(ii) – Personal Interest
Cllr Corbett – Agenda Items 7(a)(ii) Personal Interest & 7(c)(III) Prejudicial Interest

Public Speaking: It was Resolved to defer the Public Speaking time to Agenda Item 7 Planning.

Minutes: **015/09** The minutes of the meeting of 14 January 09 had been circulated and were approved and signed as correct.

Matters Arising: **016/09** Pursuant to Minute 006/09(iii) the Clerk advised that our application for a grant from our Cornwall County Councillor's Community Fund for £1000 to purchase recycling bins and additional waste bins for the beach had been successful.

Planning: **017/09** (a) New Applications

(i) Trison Properties – 08/01549 – Development of restaurant, 4 apartments for sale, 7 holiday apartments, car parking and associated infrastructure. Surfside (B3276) Mawgan Porth, TR8 4BA.
Cllr Barry having declared a Prejudicial Interest for this item spoke briefly in opposition to the proposal indicating that she was against the design and size of the development, its lack of fit with its surroundings and lack of infrastructure. Cllr Barry then left the chamber and took no further part in the proceedings for this item.
The Chairman tabled 9 letters of Objection to the proposal and outlined relevant Local Plan Policies.
It was Resolved to suspend Standing Orders at this juncture in order to allow public debate on this agenda item.
Mr Buttivant spoke for many of the residents present and indicated that in principle some development on a much smaller scale may be appropriate for this site, but that the scale, height and mass of this proposal was not

in keeping with the rural setting of Mawgan Porth; that a complex of a large restaurant with mix of 1 bedroom holiday flats and residential units with parking for only 11 vehicles, was not in character and against many of the ideals set in the Parish Plan. He called into question the interpretation of the Flood Risk assessment and noted errors in the applicant's assumptions that Mawgan Porth was a Town with large Public Car Parks.

Mr Jones expressed concern about the impact of the proposal and was also concerned as to what may happen to the site if the proposal was rejected, and urged the PC to see what they could do to encourage viable use of the site. Other speakers were against a dominant, 'landmark' and imposing building and thought that approval could set an unwelcome precedent for this area of the Parish. In addition issues of flood risk and insurance were raised.

On completion of the Public Speaking period it was Resolved to resume Standing Orders.

In considering the proposal the PC noted the applicant's reference to Mawgan Porth as a Town suggesting that the development would be in an urban setting which it clearly is not and the reference to local Public Car Parks when there clearly is none; with local roads subject to yellow lining there is clearly insufficient parking for diners to the restaurant or for visitors and service vehicles to the flats. With reference to Local Plan Policy 113 and Flood Risk Assessment, the PC has difficulty in seeing that justification can be given to this large development, on the grounds that other sites which Trison Properties does not own, are not available. Members also noted that in line with the Parish Plan, there was a need for some 'sympathetic' regeneration in the area of the proposed development for a new toilet block, community or small retail facility. When work begins on the Parish Design Statement it will address this issue.

Proposed Cllr Corbett, seconded Cllr Old, that the PC objects to this proposal on the grounds of its bulk, massing and inappropriate design contrary to Local Plan Policy 36/Policy6 in that the visual quality of the proposal does not harmonise with its surroundings; it protrudes above the predominant sky lines; it intrudes in prominent views (valley, headland and AGLV's); it would harm the setting and character of the rural village of Mawgan Porth by greatly increasing the built up area. The PC also objects on the grounds that the proposal is contrary to outcomes in the adopted Parish Plan; against high rise development; any growth in tourist provision to be in keeping with the character of the rural nature of the Mawgan Porth setting; no inappropriate development or creeping urbanisation or over commercialisation of this area. This was Resolved nem. con.

(ii) Symons – 09/00023 – Minor amendments to 08/01563 – single storey extension and deck area. 1 Gwel-An-Mor, Mawgan Porth, TR4 DW. It was Resolved to raise no objection to this application.

(b) Advice from Restormel

(i) Proposed extension to dwelling for garden room and proposed removal of existing back porch to provide for reinstatement of staircase window. Trevedras Farm, St Mawgan (Min 004/09) Granted with conditions.

(ii) Temporary stationing of mobile home/caravan in connection with the management and supervision of fishing lakes. Mawgan Porth Pool Lake, Retorrack Mill (Min004/09). Application withdrawn.

(iii) Erection of Poly Tunnel, Badgers Halt, Trevenna Cross. An Appeal (2096784) has been made to the Planning Inspectorate in respect of the imposition of a 3 year temporary condition on the planning permission given by RBC. The Appeal will be decided on the basis of an exchange of written statements by the appellant and RBC and a site visit by an Inspector.

(c) Other Issues

(i) Mobile Phone Mast – Trewince TR8 4HR – this site lies outside the Parish boundary on the far south side of the airport and the consultation is a community consultation by Orange Personal Communication Services Ltd. No objections appear to have been raised by the Airport or the RAF Base. It was Resolved to raise no objections to the placing of a mast at this location.

(ii) Newquay Cornwall Airport – Southern road access – pre-planning consultation. The Chairman tabled details of the CCC's preferred access route from the B3059 to the old 'Nimrod' hangar and other buildings. It was agreed to support the CCC's proposal.

(iii) Newquay Cornwall Airport – Alteration to landing lights Runway 12 Cllr Corbett having declared a Prejudicial Interest (ownership of land on which lights are to be situated) left the chamber for this item. The Chairman tabled details of the proposed amendments and there were no objections from members to the alterations.

(iv) CPRE Cornwall – Workshop event 18 April 2009 – 'Understanding your Involvement in the Planning System'. It was Resolved to support this event with 4 members to attend at a cost £17.50 per member.

- Highway Issues: **018/09** (i) Speed Limit Airport Road- The Chairman gave details of the recent meeting at the Airport attended by himself and Mr Bayley CCC Highways, Cllr P Glanville CCC, Cllr Harvey and Mr Dave Simpson Project Manager Newquay Airport. Mr Bayley noted the concerns and wishes for the need for a permanent 30 mph speed limit for the section of road outside the Airport but reiterated that the criteria for setting a speed limit lower than 50mph under current Policy could not be met. The matter would therefore need to be passed to a higher authority for consideration.
- (ii) Trevarrian – White lines.
Following the airport meeting, at the request of Cllr Harvey, members then moved on to Trevarrian with Mr Bayley to review the road markings. The Clerk tabled correspondence from a Trevarrian resident which expressed his continued concern about the erosion of the verges by heavy lorries carrying spoil to St Eval and the apparent lack of action by CCC Highways. It was agreed to brief Cllr Glanville CCC on this issue and request his intervention.
- Annual Assembly of the Parish: **019/09** Advanced notice - The Annual Assembly of the Parish will be held in the St Mawgan Community Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 1 April 2009. A representative from the new Cornwall Council will be invited as a guest speaker.
- Mawgan Porth Beach: **020/09** Arrangements for repairs to the Disabled Access Area are ongoing and an order has been placed for recycling bins and extra waste bins to be in place for the new season.

Playing Field:	021/09	Nothing to report.
Burial Ground/Closed Cemetery:	022/09	It was Resolved to give approval for the erection of memorials with inscriptions for Anthony Parkyn decd. and Shirley Page decd. The Clerk advised that the PC's Maintenance Contractor had been asked to repair the Burial Ground main gate hinge.
Footpaths:	023/09	The Clerk advised that a response from CCC regarding repairs to FP39 is still awaited. Cllr Barry reported that a new exit onto this footpath from the grounds of Marver House, had been created. Cllr Old reported surface water damage to the footpath to Beacon Cove.
Grants and Donations:	024/09	It was Resolved to make the annual grant of £500 to the Mawgan Porth Village Hall. It was Resolved to make the annual grant of £500 to the St Mawgan Community Hall. It was Resolved to make a donation of £50 to the Cornwall County Playing Fields Association. It was Resolved to make a donation of £50 to Restormel CAB (grants and donations made under the provisions of LGA s137).
Good Citizens Awards 2009:	025/09	It was Resolved to nominate Roger Metcalf and Jenny Salmon, the proprietors of the St Mawgan Village Stores & Post Office for their charitable fundraising activity, commitment to the community and for organising the Christmas Carol community event in December 2008.
Local development Framework (Cornwall):	026/09	Settlement Profiles. This is a CCC survey. It was agreed that the Clerk will complete the survey using information drawn from the Parish Plan.
Local Standards Committee:	027/09	Hearing decision – The Chairman tabled the Public Notice published in the Cornish Guardian on 4 February 2009. Restormel Borough Council's Standards Committee met on the 23 January 2009 to consider allegations made by the PC that Councillor Deran Hancock, a member of RBC, had breached the national Code of Conduct adopted by RBC, in respect of a planning application relating to Watergate Bay Holiday Park. The application was considered by RBC's Development Control Committee on 13 Dec 07 and deferred until 17 January 08 when the application was refused. The Committee decided that Cllr Hancock had not breached paragraph 2, 6a and 12c of the National Code of Conduct, however the Committee decided he had breached paragraph 5 of the Code of Conduct, in the manner in which he had conducted himself in relation to a planning application, which although not dishonest or deceitful, could have been perceived by the public as bringing his office and/or RBC into disrepute. The Committee imposed the sanction of censure and decided that Cllr Hancock should send letters of apology to the Chair of RBC's Development Committee and to the Parish Clerk. The PC notes Cllr Hancock's right to appeal.
Licensing Policy & Statement of Principles:	028/09	Consultations – It was agreed to ask Cllr Harvey to review these documents on her return from holiday.
Other Reports:	029/09	(i) Cllr Harvey attended a presentation on 27 Jan 07 given by Kevin Lavery, Chief Executive Cornwall Council. The Clerk tabled her report which outlined Mr Lavery's vision for the Authority's future and his assessment of the challenges and problems the new Authority faces.

(ii) CALC Conference & AGM - Truro – 7 Feb 09 – The Chairman and Clerk attended this event. A keynote address was given by Matthew Taylor MP – Living Working Countryside. Other presentations were given on the work of the CRCC and on Planning legislation Changes. An opportunity was provided to meet the new Community Network Managers.

- Accounts: **030/09** Accounts for payment - It was Resolved that the accounts as listed on the schedule presented to members are paid.
- Miscellaneous
Correspondence: **031/09** CCC – Annual Minerals & Waste Monitoring Report 2007/08. Noted.
CCC – FP31 Japanese Knotweed report. Noted.
CPRE Cornwall – Newsletter No.7. Noted.
Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Community Safety Partnership – details of changes 1 Apr 09. Noted.
Restormel District NHW Forum – Details and Newsletter. Noted.
Rural Services Network – membership details. Noted.
- Any Other
Business: **032/09** 1. An invitation had been extended, 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.
2 Cllr Corbett reported pothole damage to the lane leading from Tolcarne Merock to the ford at Gluvian; Clerk will notify CCC.
3. Cllr Old reported ongoing problems of raised grids on the airport road. Clerk will seek Cllr Glanville's (CCC) assistance in seeking a solution.

Chairman

11 March 2009