

**MINUTES OF A MEETING of the St Goran Parish Council held on 11th May 2017 in the Old School Rooms at 7.30pm. with Mr P Grose in the Chair.**

Present were Messrs Ayres, Bulled, Bunney, LG Husband, Lobb, White, Dr Dunne, Ms Lobb County Councillor Mustoe, Community Link Officer Helen Nicholson and six members of the public.

**1. APOLOGIES**

None

**2(a). DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**2(b). GIFT DECLARATIONS**

None

**2(c) CONSIDERATION OF WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION.**

None

**3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN, PARISH TRANSPORT REPRESENTATIVE AND COMMITTEES**

The Clerk invited nominations for Chairman. Mr Bunney nominated Mr Grose. This was seconded by all Councillors and unanimously **Agreed**. Mr Grose accepted and took the Chair.

The Clerk invited nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr Bunney nominated Dr Dunne. This was seconded by Mr Bulled and Ms Lobb and unanimously **Agreed**.

The Chairman then proposed that, in the absence of any proposal to the contrary, the Parish Transport Representative and The Committees be represented as the previous year. **Agreed**.

**4. VACANCY IN OFFICE**

Due to only 9 members returning as elected Councillors, one seat had become available. Co-option notices were displayed prior to this meeting and a secret ballot was due to be held at the end of the meeting, to co-opt on one of the candidates, that were in attendance.

**5. PUBLIC SESSION**

Mr Hayhurst of Benhurden asked the PC if they had received any further correspondence from Cornwall Planning, following the planning officer's recommendation to refuse his planning application. The PC had not received any further communication and confirmed they still support the application.

Mrs Nicholson, Cornwall Council's Community Link Officer introduced herself and asked if members of the PC would attend the next Community Network Meeting, on 14th June to share experiences with other PC's. Mr Bunney agreed to attend the meeting.

The PC then went into the formal session.

**6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 7TH APRIL 2017**

The minutes were **Agreed**.

**7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**7.1 The Slips**

The Landowner inspected the slips footpath and it is the same as last year when the PC contacted them regarding the path's erosion. They feel that there is nothing they can do about the natural erosion, that has happened to the edge of the path, other than re locating the path further in, away from the edge for which there is plenty of room, and suggest a site meeting to discuss any other possible solutions.

The Clerk to arrange a site meeting

**Agreed**

### 7.2 Gorran Green

The Christmas Lights Committee thanked the PC for letting them know that the holly tree is to be moved, to a more suitable position.

However; they remain very disappointed that the PC chose a holly tree over the conifer which they had agreed to, and ignored their offer of a donation to enable a decent size tree to be purchased. A few of them will not be putting up the lights on the Gorran tree this year, as they are so annoyed about the way the whole thing was handled. They have over £600-worth of lights and nowhere to put them.

The PC felt they had approached the matter in the correct manner and had given members of the public enough opportunity to share their opinions.

The PC to the respond to the Christmas Lights Committee that the PC or other members of the Committee, would put up the lights this year.

**Agreed**

Cornwall Planning had been made aware of concerns in the locality regarding the removal of the tree on the Green, which they would not normally associate the PC with the loss of features of public amenity, without good reason, but this council should react to public concern and in particular consider whether the remaining trees are under threat. They were satisfied once the Clerk had informed them that Gorran Green is owned by the PC and that the tree was removed following consultation with the public, that it was discussed at many meetings and that it was replaced it with a holly tree.

**Noted**

The Old School Rooms Committee intend to make use of Gorran Green as a public amenity for future events and had already successfully used the Green to host an Easter egg hunt. As the Green is owned by the PC it is covered by their public liability insurance.

**Noted**

The stump to be removed by Jamie Trounce at a cost of £120.

**Agreed**

It was suggested that the rough piece of land at the back of the Green could be built up to provide extra space on the Green. Enquiries with Jamie Trounce to be made.

**Agreed**

The Maintenance Contractor to be requested to sow grass seed on the bare ground near the phone box, to bind it together.

**Agreed**

### 7.3 Parish Website

Keith Oliver is happy to put the PC minutes on his village website. As the PC are not required to have their own website it was resolved to use the village website for this need.

**Agreed**

## **8 COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

### **8.1 Footpaths.**

Treveor to Rescassa is overgrown and becoming impassable.  
To be reported to the landowner.

**Agreed**

The Maintenance Contractor to be asked to remove branches that are obscuring the footpath sign at the bottom of Cotna Lane.

**Agreed**

The byway from Tregerrick to Polsue is almost impassable.  
To be reported to Highways.

**Agreed**

### **8.2 Beach.**

The Seaweed on the beach to be monitored.

**Agreed**

### **8.3 General Purposes**

Nothing to report.

### **8.4 Public Convenience**

The PC received an invoice from South West Water for £14,149.73 including VAT for water and sewage supply between April 2013 until April 2017.

The PC resolved to contest the charge, as the first invoice dates back 4 years and should have been received by the PC prior to April 2017. Copies of all interim invoices had been requested by the Clerk, dating back to April 2013 together with all meter readings.

VAT will not be charged on future invoices, but the PC to claim back any VAT charged on historic invoices, once the charge has been agreed between the PC and SWW.

**Agreed**

British Gas price plan. The PC's current fixed price energy plan ends on 30th June 2017. The follow options are -

|                                       |                       |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 year fixed Standing Charge = 29.98p | Unit Charge = £16.18p |
| 2 year fixed Standing charge = 30.86p | Unit charge = 16.65p  |
| 3 year fixed standing charge = 31.73p | Unit charge = 17.12p  |
| Variable plan standing chrg = 43.46p  | Unit charge = 23.46p  |
| Current prices standing chrg = 26.60p | Unit charge = 16.98p  |

The Clerk to carry out a price comparison survey.

**Agreed**

Charles Wellington has donated £100

**Noted**

Many compliments have been received from the public, regarding the upkeep of the toilet. The volunteers were thanked and praise to be passed on to the Cleaning Contractor for all her hard work.

**Agreed**

## **9 CORRESPONDENCE**

### **9.1 Simon Birch Dance – Performance on the Beach**

The PC granted permission for the Shoreline project to perform on the beach on 6th and 7th of July. The PC to confirm the project is insured, request a donation towards the running of the toilets and to inform them of the area that is owned by GHHFS.

**Agreed**

### **9.2 Environment Agency – Changes to Bathing Waters Sampling Frequency 2017**

The EA are carrying out a review of how they monitor and analyse different areas of their work and have looked at how often they sample bathing waters, which takes part at every bathing water from May to September. They combine the samples at the end of the season to give each bathing water a classification – either Excellent, Good, Sufficient or Poor. Historically they have taken 20 samples a season at all designated bathing waters and at some bathing waters the quality is so consistent that less than 20 samples are enough to determine a robust classification. For this bathing water season, the number of samples taken at each bathing water will now be either 5, 10, 15 or 20. Gorran Haven will be kept to 20 samples and Vault 5 samples for the season.

**Noted**

### **9.3 Cornwall Council – Bulk Order Road Closures 2016/17 – Surfacing Dressing Works**

List of roads for surfacing dressing.

Polsue to Kestle, Penvergate to Polsue Farm (Bennetts), Boswinger to Hemmick Cottage, Hemmick Cottage to Penare, Lamledra Hill, North Penare Farm to Lamledra Hill (The Gruda), Trewollock Lane and Polsue Farm to Bodrugan Highway.

**Noted**

### **9.4 Channel 4 – Village of the Year**

This summer, **Penelope Keith** and her team of judges will be visiting villages across the UK to determine a winner, with a **£10,000 prize for the village** up for grabs. All of the details on the show and “*How to apply*” are on their website

<http://www.villageoftheyear.co.uk/>

**Noted**

### **9.5 Cornwall Council Planning – Pre-Application Community Engagement**

The Planning & Sustainable Development Service has started a new initiative offered as part of its pre-application service on a differing range of application types. The aim is to bring together the community, the Local Member(s) and developers in order to start the Community Engagement process at the earliest possible stage. A planning case officer will advise applicants and developers on the most appropriate form of community engagement for a proposal; this advice will form part of all pre-application discussions from May 2017. This will help to identify issues so that any subsequent planning application is processed more quickly and the determination process is smoother. One of those options recommended by case officers to applicants will be to work with the Local Council to facilitate an event for local residents. It's noted that Local Councils may deal with pre-application enquiries and approaches from developers for assistance with community engagement how they wish. Developers and applicants are being advised that details of how an individual town or parish council deals with pre-application enquiries should be published on that Local Council's website or noticeboard. Please note that planning case officers will

continue to advise developers to liaise with the Local Council regardless of which option (formal or informal) for community engagement that the planning case officer recommends, to ensure that Local Councils are involved.

If you've not already had a look at the Cornwall pre-app protocol for Local Councils, it may be a good time to do so, with the enhanced process starting that will encourage developers and applicants to liaise with Local Councils and local residents on pre-app enquiries for the whole range of development proposals.

Full details of the options that may be suggested to applicants/agents for engaging with local communities, together with Frequently Asked Questions, can be found in the Pre-application Community Engagement guidance note.

The PC's Planning Protocol to be published on the website.

### **Agreed**

#### Newsletters

Communities and Devolution News Bulletin, CALC Weekly News Roundup, April & May update and local elections e-news from Steve Double MP, April 17 Planning Newsletter.

Further Correspondence

#### Cornwall Council – Planning Induction Training Events

Upcoming Planning Induction Training Events are due to take place in Cambourne 6th June and Bodmin 14th June.

### **Noted**

#### PCSO – Monthly Crime Report

1 burglary, 1 criminal damage and 1 theft from a motor vehicle

#### Biffa – Rubbish Collection from the beach

CC will no longer fund waste collection from the PC's bins on the beach. Biffa intend to give the PC a quote for the collection of waste only. 9 bins are emptied on average once a day between Whitsun and the beginning of the Summer holidays and then emptied twice a day until the end of the holidays.

The Clerk to request quotes from other service providers.

### **Agreed**

## **10 PLANNING MATTERS**

PA17/01034: Mrs Joanne Chadwick, 23 Trelispen Park. Proposed garden room to replace previously demolished old chalet.

**Support** – Abstain – Mr Lobb, Mr Bulled, Mr Ayres, Mr White and Ms Lobb.

PA17/03343: Mr and Mrs David Clough, 25 Perhaver Way. Non material amendment following grant of planning permission PA16/09490. Amendment sought- Change to South elevation

Non Material Amendment.

**Support** – Mr Grose declared an interest and abstained from the vote.

PA17/03313: Mr and Mrs Richard Holmes, Clovelly, Rice Lane. Proposed dwelling on land adjacent to Clovelly.

Full Application

One objection on-line.

**Objection** – The PC do not oppose development on the site, but are of the opinion the size and form are unsuitable. The scale of the proposal would be overdevelopment of the site.

PA17/03246 – Mrs Debbie Cox, Assentech Sales Ltd, Mount Pleasant Farm. Change of use from agricultural building to office and storage to enable business growth and dependency (retrospective)

Change of Use

**Support** – Mr White abstained.

#### Planning Decision – Benhurden

Following careful consideration of all the material planning considerations, Cornwall Planning felt it appropriate to recommend refusal of the application and gave the PC 5 day protocol notice.

The PC agreed to disagree.

**Agreed**

### **10.1 Cornwall Council Planning decisions**

PA17/01526: Mr and Mrs Louise Vercoe, Cross Close. Extension and alterations.

**Approved**

PA17/01637: Mr and Mrs Gordon James, 35 Trelispen Park Drive. Single storey extension.

**Approved**

PA17/02621: Mr Richard Enos, Treveague House, Foxhole Lane. Works to fell 2 x Cypress trees

**Decided not to make a TPO**

PA17/01749: Mr and Mrs D Cole, Windrush, Cliff Road. Proposed rear ensuite and first floor kitchen, study and shower room extension.

**Approved**

PA17/01063: Mr Jason Trewinnard, Nurture Green, The Withys, Rice Lane. Works to cover trees covered by a TPO.

**Approved**

### **11. BILLS FOR PAYMENT & BUDGET REVIEW**

#### **PAYMENTS**

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| British Gas Electricity Chrg       | £42.42  |
| Cornwall Council Rates Burial      | £52.00  |
| Aon UK Ltd Insurance               | £549.29 |
| AJH Services Toilet Cleaning       | £709.12 |
| Mr Spence Grasscutting             | £560.00 |
| Mrs LCV Potheary Clerks salary     | £433.29 |
| Mrs LCV Potheary Clerks Expenses   | £59.66  |
| Mrs LCV Potheary Clerks Purchases  | £26.24  |
| Gael Force Marine Buoys            | £36.58  |
| CALC Annual Subs                   | £400.77 |
| Mr Meramveliotakis Reimburse paint | £39.60  |
| St Austell Trophies Plaque         | £39.50  |

#### **RECEIPTS**

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Lobbs Farm Shop Tourist Brochure | £30.00   |
| Seaview Tourist Brochure         | £60.00   |
| Cornwall Council 1st 1/2 Precept | £8944.17 |
| Public Toilet box donations      | £419.07  |
| Mrs Walsh Toilet donation        | £100.00  |
| Mr Wellington Toilet donation    | £100.00  |

**TOTAL £1,735.86**

**TOTAL £13,467.54**

All the Bills for March have been paid. **Agreed** to pay the bills for April. The Clerk presented the actual receipts and payments to date, which were compared with the yearly budget.

**Agreed**

#### **12. Accounts: Year Ending 31st March 2017**

The Clerk reported the accounts to the PC, that had been audited by Mrs J Ringrose with all obligations being met. The PC agreed the a) Governance Statement and the b) accounting statements.

The Annual Return form was then completed and signed by the Clerk and Chairman on behalf of the P.C.

**Agreed**

#### **13. Parish Insurance Review**

The Parish Insurance was reviewed and agreed that the cover was adequate to the PC's needs.

**Agreed**

#### **14. Parish Problems**

The Clerk to report a water leak at Treveor Cott to SWW.

**Agreed**

Mr Lobb was asked if there would be any possibility of disabled parking bays being installed at Canton. The PC felt this would not improve the situation as disabled badge holders are allowed to park on the yellow lines.

The Clerk to request the traffic warden to visit the area.

**Agreed**

The PC resolved to donate the amount required to cover the shortfall towards the Gorran Haven defibrillator, as they had done so for Gorran. Currently Mr Lobb has raised £1,177.50.

**Agreed**

The plaque on the seat on the platt has been installed.

**Noted**

The Phone box on the Triangle will be placed on the June Agenda.

**Agreed**

#### **15. Co-option of Councillor**

There were four candidates that had applied for the position. One candidate decided to withdrawal at the meeting. The three remaining candidates introduced themselves and gave a brief explanation to why they would like to take up the position.

A secret ballot was held.

Mrs Amanda Hart held the majority of votes and became the new Parish Councillor.

All candidates were thanked and Mrs Hart was welcomed on to the Parish Council.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.