

MINUTES OF A MEETING of the St Goran Parish Council held on 7th September 2017 in the Old School Rooms at 7.30pm. with Mr P Grose in the Chair.

Present were Messrs Ayres, Bulled, Bunney, G Husband, White, Dr Dunne, Ms Lobb, Mrs Hart, County Councillor Mustoe and eleven members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES

Mr Lobb

2(a). DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Clerk – 7.5 College Link Bus

Mr Grose – Planning PA17/06001

2(b). GIFT DECLARATIONS

None

2(c) CONSIDERATION OF WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION.

None

3. PUBLIC SESSION

A member of the public urged the PC to keep the stream running along its current route, on the slipway as it has always followed this course. She also asked if there had been any news regarding the Canton Street garages. The PC confirmed that it had been reported to Planning Enforcement. The PC were asked if the Limekiln could install disabled access. Concerns were raised regarding parking at the Triangle, as recent parking had caused the road to become blocked. It was suggested that boulders could be placed on the verge to prevent parking.

Influence Planning Consultancy attended the meeting, to put forward their objection, to the Seaview Planning Application. They were of the opinion that CC were treating it as a major planning application and planning policy states that, most major applications should be refused in an AONB. They were surprised that the AONB hadn't objected. The application states it's a low impact scheme, but Influence Planning felt this not to be the case; because the caravans would effectively be permanent structures and they were concerned whether the landscape would recover.

Seaview stated that they had worked closely with the AONB, who were pleased with their proposed scheme. Seaview's intentions are to stretch the holiday season from the 6 weeks summer holidays, to all year-round occupancy and believe the proposed scheme would enhance their business and maintain employment throughout the year. The largest caravans would occupy approximately one quarter of the proposed 46 sites and would measure 42ft long x 22ft wide. It is estimated that each caravan would last about 10-12 years and would be replaced by a new unit, when required. Seaview currently have permission for touring pitches to be used all year. A neighbour to the site raised their concerns about the caravans being sold as second homes. Seaview stated that most owners sublet to holiday makers. The resident was concerned that currently during the off season, the site effectively returns to a green field site, which would no longer happen if the application was successful.

Residents of Portheast Close raised their extreme concerns regarding flooding issues, in the Close. There is a major blockage in one of the drains, resulting in severe flooding, during adverse weather. They have had many correspondences with Highways, South West Water and the Environment Agency, who all state they are not responsible for the drain. The residents feel it is only a matter of time before their properties, become flooded. The residents paid for Clear Flow to unblock the drain, but they were unsuccessful, as their equipment wasn't large enough to remove the blockage. Clear Flow stated at the time that, their maps showed that the drain belongs to Highways. County Councillor Mustoe has also been in correspondence with all the agencies, to try to resolve the situation.

Another member of the public asked about the recent change to the local bus service timetable. County Councillor Mustoe reported that the new timetable had been reviewed and put back nearer to the original timetable and is due to be instated very soon.

The PC then went into the formal session.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 3RD AUGUST 2017

The minutes were then **Agreed**

It was Agreed to move planning forward on the Agenda.

8 PLANNING MATTERS

Dr Dunne as Chair

PA17/06001: Mr J Donald, South West Holiday Parks, Seaview International, Boswinger. Change of use of land from touring pitches to the stationing of maximum of 46 static caravans.

Full Application

3 online objections

Objection – Mr Ayres abstained, Mr Grose no vote

A major development in an AONB on the Heritage Coast. The proposal is of a permanent nature, replacing touring pitches with static caravans. Over development of a rural location, in relation to the small hamlet of Boswinger. Proposal creates structures to be in situ all year round, where at present occupation of the site is only during the holiday season, returning the area to a greenfield site during the winter season. The PC would like to request a site visit between themselves, AONB Officers, the National Trust and local residents.

Mr Grose resumed his position as chair.

PA17/07135: Mr Parkhouse, Treveor Farm. Replacement of large shed which was badly damaged in a fire.

Full Application

Support

PA17/07776: Mrs Maria Hipgrave, 2 The Cottages, Canton Street. Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area. Crown lifting of a group of six Elms and felling of two further Elms.

Trees in a Conservation Area.

Support with co-operation of local tree officer.

PA17/08126: Mr David Bulbeck, 15 Perhaver Park. Certificate of existing lawful development for the change of use from domestic garage into a bedroom.

Cert Lawful Use/Development – Existing

Support

PA17/06943: Mr Graham Schofield, Treveague Farm Campsite. Erection of residential building on campsite.

Objection

Over development with in an AONB and on the Heritage Coast and on a highly visible site.

Pengarth – Application Withdrawn

The planning officer having viewed Pengarth, and being aware of its conservation area designation, and close proximity to a listed building, the planning officer sought conservation advice which was negative. After the conservation officer's advice, the applicant withdrew the application, and it is understood that a revised application is anticipated which hopefully will be successful.

Noted

Cornwall Council Planning decisions

<u>PA17/06495: Mr Bigs, 31 Chute Lane.</u>	Approved
<u>PA17/05825: Mr and Mrs Sampson, Mount Pleasant House</u>	Approved
<u>PA17/06922: Mr and Mrs Alan Pendleton, Pengarth</u>	Withdrawn

It was Agreed to move item 7.7 and 7.5 forward on the Agenda

7.7 Residents - Portheast Close, Flooding Issue

County Councillor Mustoe reported that he is currently arranging a site meeting with Cormac's Highways Manager and is waiting to confirm dates.

The PC to arrange for Highways, South West Water, The Environment Agency, The PC and residents to attend the meeting as a matter of urgency.

Agreed

7.5 Residents – College Link Bus Withdrawal

Following parents, County Councillor Mustoe and MP Steve Double's objections, Cornwall Council reinstated the link bus for the academic year 2017/18, between Gorran Haven and Hewas water, which they had withdrawn funding for, from September 2017.

Cornwall Council state that beyond the end of Year 11, Cornwall Council does not have a statutory duty to provide home to school/college transport free of charge for students age 16 to 19. However, in order to promote access to education and opportunities for all young people in the county, Cornwall Council provides subsidised transport for students aged between 16 and 19 to access Post 16 education at a school sixth form, further education establishment or Local Authority commissioned learning provider. In line with Cornwall's Post-16 Transport Policy transport is not necessarily provided from door to door. The policy states that link transport to and from a subsidised transport route will only be provided where the student's home address is more than five miles from a pick-up / drop-off point. As the distance between Gorran Haven and the nearest pick-up / drop-off point in Mevagissey is less than five miles, there is no entitlement under the terms of Cornwall's policy for link transport to be provided. However, in recent years link minibus transport from Gorran Haven to Hewas Water has been provided as an additional discretionary arrangement. It was identified by Cornwall Council's Passenger Transport Unit in June 2017 that it was no longer cost-effective for the Council to operate this link transport given that only a very small number of pupils live over the agreed five mile threshold to a pick-up / drop-off point. The Council notified Truro College of this decision on 7 June 2017. It became apparent that families may not have been informed of this change and the Council acknowledges it could have done more to proactively contact those families and students affected. It has therefore been agreed that transport will be reinstated for the 17/18 academic year only. Please note though that the arrangements are temporary and will cease at the end of the Summer Term 2018.

County Councillor Mustoe added that a consultation took place in 2014 that did not include Gorran/Gorran Haven or Constantine.

County Councillor Mustoe and MP Steve Double met with the Corporate Director for Young People who was very sympathetic and felt that students had not been informed

in a timely manner and therefore the service was reinstated. County Councillor Mustoe stated he will continue to campaign for the link bus to remain beyond this academic year.

The PC to write to Sally Hawken, Cabinet Member responsible for Children and Young People and Geoff Brown, Cabinet Member responsible for Transport to request that the link bus and the local bus service remain unchanged.

Agreed

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 Gorran Green Layby

Matter resolved

Agreed

5.2 Gorran Green Site Visit – Heligan

A site visit to be arrange for October.

Agreed

5.3 Holiday Cottage Refuse

House By The Beach already try to ensure all houses have adequate bins. She felt it would be helpful if the PC put a notice in the Parish Magazine for June, July & Aug and to add a note about not feeding seagulls. The Manager asks if the village could have large recycling bins somewhere in Gorran Haven, as many holiday lets do not have any outside space for recycling bags. The PC felt they couldn't provide these.

Agreed

During the off season they will be happy to look at creative ways to raise funds from their guests & owners to help the PC toilet fund.

Noted

5.4 Recassa to Treveor Footpath No 17 Bridge

Footpath No 17 was inspected, and a work instruction has been submitted to Cormac Operations to replace a 5.5m bridge and 2m boardwalk. Warning notices are on site to advise walkers to take care using the structures.

The PC to request the LMP contractor to clear this path as it is obstructed by a crop.

Agreed

5.5 Marine Conservation Society/Waitrose – Beach Cleaning

As the Marine Conservation Society are a charity it is not in a position to make donations to other bodies. They are pleased to hear that the Parish Council is taking so much initiative in keeping the beach free from litter. The PC maybe aware, of their Great British Beach Clean coming up in September and currently don't have any cleans listed in our area and they badly need more volunteer organisers and people to help them.

The Clerk informed the Society that beach cleans organised by Surfers Against Sewage take part in the area.

Noted

5.6 Tregerrick to Polsue

Unfortunately, the previous Grants Funding scheme administered by Sustrans for 'Safe' and then 'Links to School's' schemes provided by the DfT ended with the change in Governments and was succeeded by the LSTF (local Sustainable Access Fund) which has also subsequently been replaced by the Growth Deal Fund. There remain small local community funds which are announced from time to time, a relevant a scheme at the moment is the Landfill Communities Fund, but it is

increasingly difficult and concerning that small, locally worthwhile projects are missing out because the Central Government emphasis is all on large scale economic growth as a priority. Grant funding opportunities are shared with the Council's Localism Team so that they can highlight these with the Town and Parish Council's..

The PC to request to be informed of any grants.

Agreed

5.7 Treveor Junction – Advertising

The matter of an alleged unauthorised display of an advertisement for Seaview has been formally registered. On completion of the investigation the PC will be informed of the Council's decision, usually within 13 weeks.

Noted

5.8 Ismeer – Meeting

The owners thank all the Parish Councillors who came to meet them at Ismeer House. They were made to feel very welcome, and really hope they were able to provide some clarity on their initial thoughts for the development. They noted in particular the councillors did not want the original buildings knocked down, and hope the copies of the draft plans put their minds at rest, as this is not something they are proposing.

The PC reported that the potential buyers would like to turn the main building into 5 flats. Remove the garage and replace with new building, remove the extension and build 2 houses at the bottom of the drive.

The PC to remind the potential buyers that major proposals require a public consultation prior to any planning application.

Agreed

5.9 Slipway

Cormac did carryout the works to the slipway edge, as a gesture of good will following requests by locals, when we had the storm damage. They agree workmanship is not what it should be. Cormac have therefore agreed to attend site and remove/tidy-up as soon as they have resource available.

Noted

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

6.1 Footpaths.

The LMP Contractor has carried out most of his contract apart from some winter clearance on FPs 1 and 17, a tree down in Scotland Woods, FP 6 which he will cut away. He reports that the Footpath sign at Rescassa lane end of FP 19 has been knocked over, and needs new post.

The maintenance to be requested to replace the post

Agreed

FP 1 has had some excellent reprofiling away from the steep edge, and he will go back and cut into the blackthorn more seriously after September.

Noted

The National Trust to be thanked for their work to the steps near the Coast Path Café and for the stretch of path towards Penamane Point.

Agreed

A collapsed gate at the bottom of the millennium woods to be reported to the Woodland Trust.

Agreed

6.2 Beach.

The bins, benches, separation buoys and bollards are all put away for winter.

Noted

Three new bin liners to be purchased.

Agreed

A sewage leak from Fort Cottages, onto the beach was reported to SWW.

Noted

6.3 General Purposes

Nothing to report

Agreed

6.4 Public Convenience

JP Martin inspected the toilets and reported there are no leaks as the metre wasn't constantly moving round. He thinks it's the old toilet flushes that are getting stuck causing the issue.

The Clerk to request a quote to replace the flushes.

Agreed

Dave Cobbley was called out to mend a flush in the disabled toilet, which required a plumber.

Noted

Donations were received from £60 Andy Gardiner, £100 Lesley & Martin (Beachcomber) and £100 Peggy Wright.

The Clerk to send thank you letters.

Agreed

All local businesses to be thanked for past donations and to be asked to continue to support the toilets as the PC would struggle to fund them without their help.

Agreed

7 CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 CALC – Low Carbon Britain Event

The PC were offered free entry to the Low Carbon Britain Event.

Noted

7.2 Cornwall Council – Recruitment of Lay, Town and Parish Representatives

The Standards Committee are looking to appoint to fill recent vacancies and require two Town and Parish Council Representatives and one Lay Member to sit on the Standards Committee

Noted

7.3 Cornwall Council – Emergency Road Closure

Road from Polsue Farm to junction South West St Josephs will be closed from 11th August 2017 to 11th November 2017 (24 hours) due to the Condition of the road being poor, and dangerous

Noted

7.4 Cormac's Senior Beach Ranger – Potential Pollution Incident at Gorran Haven

It was reported to the PC that there was a discharge of foul smelling coloured water from a manhole cover, located on the slipway. The pollution was running down onto the sand and then into the sea. The impact to the sea was minimal at the time but there is natural stream in the area which flows next to where the discharge is taking place. The pollution risk ended on 16th August.

Noted

7.6 Mevagissey Parish Council – Neighbourhood Plan

Mevagissey asked if the PC would assess their Neighbourhood Development Plan, which has been submitted to Cornwall Council.

The PC support the plan particularly the section that gives priority for new homes for permanent residents rather than as second homes.

Agreed

7.8 Cornwall Council – Winter Safety Event

A free Winter Safety will be held on Tuesday 17th October at the St Austell Community Fire Station from 9.00am-12noon.

Noted

7.9 Cornwall Council – Strategic Vision & Economic Narrative for Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

The PC were invited to contribute to developing a new overarching strategic vision and economic narrative for Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

Noted

7.10 Newsletters

Communities and Devolution News Bulletin, CALC August Newsletter, Weekly Bathing Water Results, September update from Steve Double, Neighbourhood Planning August E-Bulletin.

7.11 Further Correspondence

St Austell and Community Network – Panel Meeting

The next meeting is due to be held on Tuesday 14th September 2017.

Noted

CALC – Conference on Electoral Reviews

You will be aware that Cornwall Council is currently the subject of a boundary review which will ultimately reduce the number of seats/divisions on the Council. The final decision on the number of seats will be known on September 19th, 2017. Further consultation will then take place on the shape and size of the new electoral divisions, before everything comes into play at the next elections.

Once the Cornwall Council review has been completed, Cornwall Council will undertake a Community Governance Review of parish and town council boundaries and ward boundaries. The Cornwall Association of Local Councils is hosting an event to be held on Saturday, October 14th, 2017 at New County Hall, Truro (10am-4pm). The event is your opportunity to find out how this will affect your council and your community

9. BILLS FOR PAYMENT & BUDGET REVIEW

PAYMENTS

Anchor Grafix Signs	£44.85	HSBC Interest Dev Fund	£.98
AJH Services Toilet Cleaning	£354.56	Playing Field Trust loan repay	£1,000.00
David Readman LMP	£340.00	Defra Water signage grant	£390.00
SWW Water Charges July	£549.47	Toilet Box Donations	£979.69
S Spence Grasscutting	£250.00	Beach Cleaning Toilet fund	£193.00
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1st Responders Beach Cleaning	£25.00		
Mrs J Gray Beach Cleaning	£25.00		
Gorran Pre-School Beach Cleaning	£200.00		
St Goran Rowing Beach Cleaning	£162.00		
PlayingField Trust Beach Cleaning	£188.00		
Memorial Hall Beach Cleaning	£140.00		
Gorran FC Beach Cleaning	£104.00		
Gorran CC Beach Cleaning	£40.00		
St Goran Community Bus Beach Cleaning	£505.00		
Gorran School PTA Beach Cleaning	£108.00		
Friends of St Goran,Just, Michael Beach Cleaning	£67.00		
Mrs LCV Pothecary Clerks salary	£433.29		
Mrs LCV Pothecary Clerks Expenses	£59.66		
Mrs LCV Pothecary Clerks Purchases	£21.75		
TOTAL	£4,055.58	TOTAL	£2,563.67

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

Agreed

The PC's Financial Regulations were reviewed and Agreed.

Agreed

10. Retrospective Permission to use the beach

The Memorial Hall were retrospectively granted permission to use the beach for The Day on the Sand on 23rd August and RNLI Mevagissey were retrospectively granted permission to use the beach for the RNLI Lifeboat Day on 26th August

Agreed

External Audit – Completion

The Annual External Audit has been returned and accepted as meeting the Audit Commissions requirements and showing no matters for concern.

Noted

11. Parish Problems

The Clerk to inform Seaview that it has been brought to the PC's attention that advertising boards at the entrance to their holiday park are obstructing the view for road users.

Agreed

Mr Ayres praised the hedge cutting work that had been carried out at the top of Bell Hill.

Noted

The Limekiln Trust to be asked if they would look into installing disabled access to the top of the Limekiln.

Agreed

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.