

**MINUTES OF A MEETING of the St Goran Parish Council held on 20th July 2023 in the Old School Rooms at 7.30pm, with Mr CP Grose in the Chair.**

Present were Messrs Ayres, Blamey, Enos, Fox, Lobb, Winter, Dr Dunne, Cornwall Councillor German, and 7 members of the public.

**1/07/23 APOLOGIES**

Miss Coffee

**2(a)/07/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**3(b)/07/23 GIFT DECLARATIONS**

None

**3(c)/07/23 CONSIDERATION OF WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION.**

None

**3(d)/07/23 GDPR – Any Matters to Consider**

None

**3/07/23 PUBLIC SESSION**

A member of the Gorran Green Committee reported that the top half of the holly tree had died, through some kind of disease. It was agreed that they would contact local tree surgeons to gain advice. They also requested for the back of Gorran Green to be cut back. The PC agreed to request their contractor to attend.

A member of the public reported that the Rescassa to Murder Ground footpath has been cut, and Rescassa to Treveor No 17 had been partially cut by a member of the public, which is the landowner's responsibility. Further along footpath No 17 and footpath No 14 are cropped over and impassable. It was agreed for the landowner to be contacted and for Cornwall Councillor German to liaise with Cornwall Council regarding this matter. They also reported that the sign is still missing at murder ground. Mr Lobb has the sign and is waiting to dig the hole for it to be reinstalled.

The member of the public asked if they are permitted to display 20 is plenty signs along their road. The PC responded that they were permitted to display signs on their own property.

A member of the public congratulated Dr Dunne for the reinstatement of their footpath to Castle Hill.

A member of the public reported that the footpaths from Bodrugan to Bodrugan Straight, No 8 and the footpath from Gorran Churchtown to Penhale No 7 are overgrown.

A member of the public asked if the PC intend to discuss Mevagissey planning application PA23/04840. This matter was on the agenda.

A member of the public asked the PC if they would reconsider their discussion to not investigate the possible restriction of vehicles along Cooks Level. They explained that prior to the temporary closure, their property had been damaged by passing vehicles many times and how dangerous this road is for pedestrians, whilst vehicles are trying to pass through. The PC agreed to discuss this matter in the formal session. Cornwall Councillor German pointed out that the reduction to 20mph scheme will soon be in force. He also reported that if 1 person objects to a road closure application Cornwall Council will not grant permission for that closure.

The meeting then went into the formal session.

A minute silence was held for the late Stephen Church, who served for many years on the PC as a member and as Vice Chairman.

## **4/07/23 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 1ST JUNE 2023**

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to accept the minutes.

## **5/07/23 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

### **5.1/07/23 Toilet Refurbishment**

Cornwall Councillor German shared details of St Just and Gerrans PC's toilet refurbishment. Following discussions, it was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to ask members of the public for their ideas regarding the possible partial redevelopment of the toilets, that could provide a usable, rentable space, to establish a possible income, providing funding, to enable the PC to keep the toilets running in perpetuity.

### **5.2/07/23 Code of conduct**

The code of conduct that had been adopted by the PC, is the current standard code as set out by CALC. It was therefore proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to accept the code for the forth coming year.

### **5.3/07/23 Proposed Cycle Path – Letter to landlords**

The NDP have produced a draft Expression of Interest for the proposed Gorran - Heligan cycle path for the Rural Fund and a draft letter for local landowners.

The pre-application submission for funding had been accepted, it will now be necessary to get support from the landowners, if it is to proceed with the full funding application. The application deadline is 9th October.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to approve the draft letter to landowners and put forward the date of 11th September, for a meeting with the landowners to hopefully gain their support.

### **5.4/07/23 Highways - Church Street – One Way Sign**

Highways have inspected the issue and have verified that it requires attention

### **5.5/07/23 Highways - Gorran Churchtown, Bell Hill & Canton Street - Overgrown Vegetation**

Works have been carried out at Canton Street and Bell Hill. The issue in Gorran Churchtown has been inspected and Highways have verified that it requires attention

### **5.6/07/23 Parking Enforcement – Canton Street**

The Senior Enforcement Officer for the area intends to arrange a visit, when it is operationally possible. They advise that they are not a reactive service and cannot guarantee a same day visit.

Should there be any vehicles parked in contravention of the restrictions for the area, they will be offered advice or issued with Penalty charge notices.

### **5.7/07/23 Highways – Rescassa to Penvergate**

Highways reported that the road from Mount Pleasant past Rescassa to Penvergate is currently on the surface treatment programme for this year, however due to significant budget pressures, it is unlikely that a scheme will be taken forward this year. The road will be reviewed against all other sites awaiting treatment, at the end of this financial year. In the meantime, they will continue to repair any safety hazards.

The last scheduled inspection was at the end of April and some defects were identified and consequently repaired. Similarly, to the road from Trevarrick to Tubbs Mill. They would like to encourage members of the public to report any hazardous areas via the defect reporting system, to ensure a timely and accurate repair.

#### 5.8/07/23 The Platt Wall

The sea wall has been inspected by Building Control who found cracks. They are not determined to be dangerous, but clearly will deteriorate over time, therefore Cornwall Council intend to carry out some maintenance work.

#### 5.9/07/23 Footpaths

Confirmation was received from the Land Agent that, the crop in the field on Footpath 19 has now been harvested. The landowner had apologised for the oversight and are hoping this won't re-occur in the future

The member of the public thanked the PC for getting the footpath cleared that goes up to Treveor, but the field is cropped over with barley so soon will be very hard to walk through, but they think the Countryside Ranger might be having a meeting with the landowner, regarding all of the paths over their land. The track over to murder ground has been cleared and the entry stiles, but the two middle stiles are impassable, so you still can't walk through the fields. The clerk reported that the stiles have now been cleared by the LMP contractor.

#### 5/10/07/23 Beach – PCSO Visit

The PCSO has added Gorran Haven beach to their patrol, whilst in the area. The PC and members of the public are requested to report any antisocial behaviour to the police.

### **6/07/23 COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

#### 6.1/07/23 Footpaths

Cornwall Council have received a report that the stretch of Coast Path No 31 between Percunning Cove and Lamsowden Beach has started to become overgrown with vegetation. The contractor intends to cut this stretch in the forth coming week.

The PC were thanked for the cutting of the narrow stretch of footpath No 9, Trewollock to Gorran Haven.

Cornwall Councillor German reported that Highways intend to cut back the multiuse trail, during the summer holidays.

#### 6.2/07/23 Beach

The beach cleaning scheme is running well.

Mr Winter was thanked for the bolts for the bins.

It was reported that a lady had recently fallen off the platt steps and broken her leg. The PC reported that there are handrails on the steps.

#### 6.3/07/23 General Purposes

##### Cemetery

Cornwall Councillor German agreed to request that Cornwall Council attend to the old grave yard.

Following a site meeting at the cemetery, it was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to request the maintenance contractor to carryout major gardening works at the cemetery, including the removal of overgrown shrubs on a few graves. A kerbs memorial is currently being installed. The cemetery is a lawn cemetery and kerbs memorials are not permitted. It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED for the clerk to confirm that the PC granted permission for this memorial.

#### 6.4/07/23 Public Convenience

Mr Lobb reported that the new soap dispensers were due to be changed, as the incorrect size had been installed.

It was reported that Mr Bunney is currently looking for a member of the public, to take over the running of the winter cleaning rota.

#### 6.5/07/23 Housing

Cornwall Councillor German had shared a template term of reference for those working with Cornwall Community Land Trust, that he felt could easily be adapted for St Goran. It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED for the housing committee to discuss.

#### 6.6/07/23 NDP

The drafting process is continuing, and the NDP are still collecting information from local businesses, about the visitor economy.

#### 6.7/07/23 Kemeneth Carvinick

Cornwall Council Farm Estates have a revised a draft lease from their solicitor, with the access provisions written into it, with the farm tenant. They understand that the PC has agreed to issue an underlease of the 2 sites, directly to the group.

Regarding the attestation clauses, it was established that legal deeds are to be executed by two Councillors and witnessed by the Proper Officer.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED for the Clerk to ascertain whether Coodes would take on the work for the underlease.

### **8/07/23 CORRESPONDENCE**

#### 8.1/07/23 Member of the Public – Glass Fronted Notice Board

A member of the public recently cleaned the notice board and confirmed it is still in very good condition. However, the outside wooden frame would benefit from another coat of varnish. It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to request the maintenance contractor to carry out this work.

#### 8.2/07/23 Visitor – Seaweed on the Beach

A visitor complained about the seaweed on the beach.

#### 8.3/07/23 Minister of State – Defibrillator Register

The Minister of State is asking for Council's to Register their defibrillators with The Circuit to enable emergency services, including first responders, to locate the nearest publicly accessible external defibrillators (AEDs) when they are treating someone suffering from out of hospital sudden cardiac arrest.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to register the 3 AED's within the Parish.

#### 8.4/07/23 Grants Thank you's

Gorran & Mevagissey Rainbows & Brownies, St Goran PCC, Gorran Preschool, St Goran Rowing Club and Gorran Football club, thank the PC for their grant this year.

#### 8.5/07/23 Member of the Public – Multiuse trail

A member of the public reported that the multiuse trail is overgrown.

The clerk responded that it's the responsibility of Cornwall Council. As previously mentioned under footpaths, Highways intend to clear this trail during the summer holidays.

#### 8.6/07/23 Member of the Public - PA23/04840

A member of the public asked if the PC intend to comment on Mevagissey planning application PA23/04840. The application is for the building of a fishing museum with a café, as a community hub. The application details, that traffic would be directed via Gorran Church Town to Portmellon.

A member of the public shared their objection. They feel St Gorran Parish concerns would be Traffic, Impact upon wildlife and the AONB, precursor to further development if permitted on flood plain (EA currently object), impact upon community facilities and lack of consultation by the developer.

The PC felt it would not be appropriate for them to comment on another parishes planning application, but would like to encourage members of the public to comment.

#### 8.7/07/23 Newsletters

Town & Parish Bulletin, Rural Services Funding Digest, CALC News Roundup

#### 8.8/07/23 Further Correspondence

##### Cornwall Homechoice – Housing register Consultation

Cornwall Homechoice is the housing register where local households can register and apply for social and affordable homes, owned and managed by Cornwall Council and its partners. The consultation runs from 30 May and 25 August 2023 and the Council is asking for views from anyone who has an interest in social homes in Cornwall to help improve the system.

##### Cornwall Councillor German – CAP meeting notes

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##### 3 Bays Wildlife Group – Portmellon Valley Nature Survey

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to accept the offer for the group to share their survey findings. It was suggested for them to attend the public session of the September meeting.

### **9/07/23 PLANNING MATTERS**

PA23/04240: Ms Sarah Lowe, 37 Trelispen Park Drive Proposed internal alterations and extension to rear of existing garage to create home office/gym  
Full Application

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to support

PA23/04409: Burton, The Nook Rice Lane Works to trees under a tree preservation order (TPO): T1 (Ash) To remove four lower branches back to the stem to crown raise

Tree Preservation Order

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to support

PA23/04244: Mrs Cheryl Holder, Tregillan, Trewollock Lane Alterations and extension to existing dormer bungalow and widening of existing vehicular access with variation of condition 2 in respect of decision PA22/06408 dated 08.09.22  
Application under Section 73 of TCP Act

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to support

Mr Ayres abstained

PA23/04446: Mr Shaun Scales, Old Coastguard House Construction of new Orangery on the NE side of the existing dwelling. Removal of existing concrete

double garage and replacement with new timber-framed, timber clad garage.  
Installation of new timber double gates.

Full Application

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to support, the PC would prefer it not to be timber clad because of it being in an AONB.

PA23/04789: Mr and Mrs Fox, Greenbank, Gorran Proposed ground floor extension and layout reconfiguration.

Full Application

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to support  
Mr Lobb abstained.

PA23/05033: Mrs Emma Crawford, Homelea, Gorran Removal of conservatory and construction of a single-storey extension in its place.

Full Application

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to support

PA23/04559: Richard Bown, Hay Mowhay, Tregondean Installation of 14 ground mounted solar panels on 1 frame, in portrait.

Full Application

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to support

### **9.1/07/23 Cornwall Council Planning Decisions**

PA22/02389: Mr A Lopez, Naver Developments Ltd, Land North West of Gorran Churchtown REFUSED

PA23/03984: Mr Martin Stewart, Lamorran, Gorran APPROVED

PA23/03733: Ms Emma Crawford, Homelea, Gorran APPROVED

PA23/01610: Mr Barry Haris, 5 Tregavarras Row APPROVED

PA22/09755: Mr Green, Pengorven, Wills Moor APPROVED

PA23/01620: Anne Couch, Land at Rice Lane GRANTED

### **10/07/23 BILLS FOR PAYMENT & BUDGET REVIEW**

#### **PAYMENTS**

SeaDog IT Website	£25.00	HSBC	Interest Deposit AC	£10.96
Google Google Account	£55.20	Members of the public	Toilet donation boxes	£53.00
HSBC Bank charges	£11.00	Member of the public	Toilet donation	£10.00
ID Mobile Telephone	£8.40	HSBC	Interest Development fund	£0.01
SeaDog IT Website	£25.00	Personnal Choice	Burial Charges	£465.00
Google Google Account	£55.20	Member of the public	Toilet donation	£30.00
HSBC Bank charges	£18.60	Member of the public	Toilet donation	£10.00
Mr Ayres- CO Gorran FC Grant	£100.00			
St Goran Rowing Club Grant	£100.00			
Gorran Preschool Grant	£100.00			
St Goran CLT Grant	£100.00			
Gorran Rainbows Grant	£100.00			
St Goran PCC Grant - Mag & Nurse	£900.00			
Duchy Cemetery's Burial Charges	£510.00			
AJH Services Toilet Cleaning	£648.16			
SWW Water Supply	£754.83			
Parcsigns Water quality sign	£165.79			
Treleaven Countryside Services Ltd SWCP	£575.94			
SeaDog IT Website	£15.00			
Mrs L Potheary Clerks Salary	£965.54			
Mrs L Potheary Clerks Expenses	£86.07			

#### **RECEIPTS**

Mrs L Potheary	Clerks Purchases	£52.75	
S Spence	Grasscutting	£325.00	
S Spence	Grasscutting Aug	£260.00	
HMRC	Tax & Ni July	£179.90	
Mrs L Potheary	Clerks Salary	£620.04	
Mrs L Potheary	Clerks Expenses	£86.07	
Mrs L Potheary	Clerks Purchases	£23.98	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£6,867.47</b>	<b>TOTAL £578.97</b>

All the Bills for May have been paid. It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to pay the bills for June. A copy of the accounts was sent to all Councillors. The Clerk presented the actual receipts and payments to date, which were compared with the yearly budget.

#### **10.1/07/23 Quarterly Internal Control Check**

The internal control check was completed by Miss Coffee. The accounts were found to be in good order and no concerns were raised.

#### **10.2/07/23 Bank Reconciliation Verification**

The verification was completed by Dr Dunne and it was therefore proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to accept the bank reconciliations.

#### **11/07/23 Parish Problems**

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to invite Highways to a site meeting at Cooks Level, to allow them to share their views, regarding a request to make the closure of Cooks Level, permanent.

Cornwall Councillor German reported that the temporary closure should not last beyond the next 8 weeks.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED to report to Cornwall Council that the footpath surface on Bell Hill, at the junction to the multiuse trail, is in a poor state of repair and causing safety concerns to pedestrians.

Mr Ayres reported that a number of parishioners were extremely disappointed in Cornwall Council for not permitting planning application PA22/02389.

#### **7/07/23 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR COMMENTS**

Cornwall Councillor German informed the PC that there is a pre application for Fort Cottage PA23/00616/preapp. There has been strong advice against the proposed development.

The bus bay lines outside of the school are faded. Neither Gorran School or Highways have any record, of who originally painted them.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm