

**Konsel Pluw Erens
Gerrans Parish Council**

**MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Tuesday 2nd August 2022 at 7.30 pm
in the Memorial Hall Annexe**



Present:

John Crombie (JC), Ralph German (RG), Joanna Holah (JH), Nev Meek (NM), Val Neal (VN), Laura Wilson (LW); Steve Skull (Clerk), CC Julian German (JG).

No members of the public attended.

In the absence of Cllr. Kate Greet, Cllr John Crombie took the chair.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Kate Greet, Richard Cochrane, Will Gill and Helen Hastings,

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ABSENCES

- RG proposed (seconded VN) that the absences be approved. This was agreed unanimously.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

- None

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REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL WARD MEMBER

JG updated the Parish Council on the former Roseland Outdoor Education Centre at St Just in Roseland. The Crowdfunder to raise the funds required to purchase it from Cornwall Council with a view to reopening it now stood at approximately £130,000. He again asked Parish Councillors if they would let people know about the project which will benefit children from across the Roseland, and further afield.

He reported that he was still trying to arrange a planning-themed Roseland cluster meeting with Cheryl Mackrory, MP and Ollie Monk (Cornwall Council Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning) in September, and there might also be scope for a further cluster meeting in October to discuss a Cornwall Council climate action plan.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- None

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Members unanimously approved the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 5th July as being a true record of the meeting (proposed JH, seconded RG). JC signed the minutes, and also the minutes of the June 7th meeting, which had not been signed previously because the clerk had been unable physically to attend the July meeting.

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS - MATTERS ARISING

Members considered the response received from the office of the leader of Cornwall Council to the PC's letter of 9th July expressing concern over the matter of the proposed withdrawal of Cornwall Council funding from the Royal Cornwall Museum. (July minute 072219.3 refers). There

was general agreement that the response was not adequate, taking the form of a standardised “copy and paste” reply and not addressing specific points raised in the PC’s letter. NM volunteered to draft a follow-up letter for circulation and approval.

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PLANNING MATTERS

a) Applications

There were two new applications for consideration. These are outlined below, and detailed comments are noted on the Cornwall Council planning website.

Application	Address	PC decision
PA22/05154	21, Parc An Dillon Road, Portscatho (Revised plans)	Support. 4 support, 2 abstain.
PA22/05790&91	21, The Lugger, Portscatho	Support. Unanimous

b) Decisions since last meeting

Application	GPC comment	CC Decision
PA22/03289 re Highfield House	Support	Approved
PA22/05156 re 38, Gwarak Gwel An Mor, Portscatho	Support	Approved
PA22/04620 re Percuil House	Support	Approved
PA22/05333 re Weatheroak, Percuil	Support	Approved

c) REGISTRATION OF HOLIDAY LETS

Members agreed to begin formulating a draft response to HM Government’s call for evidence on developing a tourist accommodation registration scheme, for approval at September’s meeting.

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AFFORDABLE HOUSING POLICY AND LOCAL HOUSING NEED

JC reported, with regret, that stalemate appeared to have been reached in negotiations with two local landowners about possible land acquisition for 100% affordable housing. He said that the possibility of involvement with Cornwall Council initiatives was now being investigated.

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PARISH INFORMATION BOARD

NM reported on behalf of the Working Group on progress to date. He said VN was working on drafts of a map, he was drafting text, and LW and WG were asking local businesses if they were interested in being involved with the project.

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ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- Roseland Environmental Action Community Team (REACT)

Although RC was absent, he had sent members a report and update on REACT’s recent activities. A summary of the report can be seen at Appendix 1 to these minutes.

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OTHER REPORTS - From Committee representatives, Working Groups and/or liaison members

-NM had attended the most recent Police Liaison Group meeting, but said there was nothing of specific relevance to report.

On the proposed meeting with CC’s footpaths officer, he said the officer had been unable to attend the meeting but had sent feedback on the problems raised. She had said that CC has a policy of prioritisation of works, and was not optimistic about signage repair/replacement in particular. JG said Veryan PC had reached agreement that if CC provided signs, VPC would arrange for them to be put up.

-JC reported that the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the Parish Charity had all resigned after 7 years' service. A new Chair and Secretary had now been appointed, but a Treasurer was still sought.

-The clerk referred to an update report submitted by ex-Councillor Chris Pope, which had previously been circulated, on the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. The report may be seen at Appendix 2 to these minutes.

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RED TELEPHONE KIOSK AT ROSEVINE

The possibility of removing the box to another location in the Parish was discussed. The clerk was asked to investigate the practicalities.

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FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Accounts for payment

The clerk reported that all payments submitted for approval were materially within budget, or within forecast and agreed contingency levels where actual figures were unknown at the time of setting the budget.

It was resolved that the outstanding invoices totalling £11,535.26 (including VAT of £1,705.33) be paid (proposed RG, seconded JH). A schedule of all the payments is available from the clerk.

2. Bank Reconciliation

The reconciled bank balance as at 25th July was £43,464.58

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OTHER PARISH MATTERS

1. Any urgent business

- None

2. New matters to be included on the next agenda

- CC's proposal for a new Mayor of Cornwall.

3. Minor items for report only

- NM commented that the Parish noticeboards were looking cluttered.

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NEXT MEETING

It was unanimously agreed that Tuesday 6th September 2022 be set for the next meeting, to be held in the Memorial Hall Annexe at 7.30 pm.

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MEETING CLOSE

JC declared the meeting closed at 8.54 pm.

End of Minutes

APPENDIX 1

Summary of report from RC re REACT (Agenda item 10)

REACT met on the 18th July at Tregony Church Hall. We finalised preparation for our stand at the Tregony Heavy Horse show where we plan to have a stand and highlight the two energy projects (PV and AD Energy Scheme and the Tregony Hydro project) as well as highlight the work on the Tree Nursery, the Infra-red camera for heat loss assessments and the peat free compost scheme.

There is a proposal for parishes across the Roseland to develop a Climate Action Plan, having previously declared a climate emergency. Similar schemes have been developed by such as

Helston and this is something we would like to discuss at the September meeting of Gerrans Parish Council. Proposals will be circulated in advance of the September meeting. There have been some positive discussions with the National Trust to collaborate on the tree nursery work but more discussion is needed. Our next meeting will be on the 30th August in Veryan Village hall at 6pm.

End of Appendix 1

APPENDIX 2

Report from Chris Pope (Agenda item 11)

The Platinum Jubilee Committee (PJC) met last month to review the weekend's events, finalise the financial position and consider how to deal with the Jubilee Legacy Project.

The PJC agreed that the celebrations had, on the whole, been a great success but also identified one or two areas where things might have been organised differently. The Committee agreed that a full record of the planning and running of events (including lessons learned) should be produced. The report would be submitted, in due course, to Gerrans Parish Council for 'safe keeping' and could be used to inform the planning of similar events in the future.

The celebrations produced a profit of £1663.89. A detailed financial breakdown will be included within the above report. The balance will be used to fund the Jubilee Legacy Project and is currently being held in the Gerrans Memorial Hall account.

The PJC agreed to seek ideas from the community for the Legacy Project - Kate Greet is leading on this. The PJC will reconvene in early October to consider suggestions and decide how best to use the Jubilee Legacy fund.

All the very best

Chris

Chair (outgoing) Gerrans and Portscatho PJC

End of Appendix 2