

**Konsel Pluw Erens  
Gerrans Parish Council**

**MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 at 7.30 pm  
in the Memorial Hall Annexe**



Present:

Cllrs Kate Greet (KG) (Chairman), Richard Cochrane (RC), John Crombie (JC), Ralph German (RG), (WG), Helen Hastings (HH), Joanna Holah (JH), Nev Meek (NM), Val Neal (VN) Laura Wilson (LW); Steve Skull (Clerk), CC Julian German (JG).

Two members of the public attended.

**012301**

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Will Gill.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ABSENCES**

RC proposed (seconded LW) that the absences be approved. This was agreed unanimously.

**012302**

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

- None

**012303**

**REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL WARD MEMBER**

JG confirmed that the public consultation on the proposed changes to the parking restrictions in Portscatho Square and the Luggar was about to start. He said it was likely that if the PC wished to bid for funding in the next round for changes in the rest of the Parish, it was probable that it would have to meet 50% of the cost.

He also said he was concerned at the absence of detail provided to date by Falmouth Town Council as to preparations for this year's Tall Ships Festival.

**012304**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr Steve Hooper suggested the PC should publish an update on progress on its affordable housing initiative, given that it was now some 9 months since the housing needs survey was carried out.

**012305**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Those members who had been present approved the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th December, and the meeting of the Finance Committee which preceded it, as being true records of those meetings. KG signed the minutes.

**012306**

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS - MATTERS ARISING**

The clerk reported:

- he had asked a local contractor to assess the damage to the wall at Gerrans Green and submit a quote for its repair
- the owners of the cottage adjacent to the Green expected the remedial works to the adjoining wall to be carried out within a month

- information about the ownership a car allegedly abandoned in Treloan Lane car park would need to be requested by post, so would take some time to arrive
- the tree surgeon engaged to remove the trees subject to Ash Dieback at the cricket field had confirmed that local Councils generally were removing such trees on safety grounds if they were adjacent to footpaths.

## 012307

### PLANNING MATTERS

#### a) Applications

There was one new application for consideration. This is outlined below, and detailed comments are noted on the Cornwall Council planning website.

Application	Address	PC decision
PA22/10991	The Cabin, Driftwood Hotel, Rosevine	<b>Support.</b> 7 support, 2 abstain

#### b) Decisions since last meeting

Application	GPC comment	CC Decision
PA22/08858 re Land SE of Long Linhay, Treloan Lane.	Conditional support	Approved

## 012308

### AFFORDABLE HOUSING POLICY AND LOCAL HOUSING NEED

JC reported that the search for possible development sites was still ongoing. He said he was still optimistic, but the details were sensitive at this time. It was unanimously agreed that the AHWG would publish a press communique to update residents as to progress.

## 012309

### PARISH INFORMATION BOARD

NM reported that there had been no developments during the previous month.

## 012310

### ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

#### Roseland Environmental Action Community Team (REACT)

RC presented a report on REACT's recent activities. A summary of the report can be seen at Appendix 1 to these minutes.

## 012311

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

KG proposed a vote of thanks and congratulations to all those involved in the organisation of the Christmas lights and New Year fireworks display. This was supported by VN and unanimously approved.

## 012312

### 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 £5,279.22 (including VAT of £289.44) be paid (proposed RG, seconded RC). A schedule of all the payments is available from the clerk.

#### 2. Bank Reconciliation

The reconciled bank balance as at 25th December was £46,989.09

**012313**

**OTHER PARISH MATTERS**

**1. Any urgent business**

- None

**2. New matters to be included on the next agenda, other than heretofore minuted**

- Main budget for 2023-2024 to be approved.

**3. Minor items for report only**

- None

**012314**

**NEXT MEETING**

It was unanimously agreed that Tuesday, 7th February 2023 be set for the next meeting, to be held in the Memorial Hall Annexe at 7.30 pm.

**012315**

**CO-OPTION OF NEW MEMBER**

No applications had been received to fill the vacant seat on the Council.

**012316**

**MEETING CLOSE**

KG declared the meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

**End of Minutes**

**APPENDIX 1**

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

REACT met on the 2nd January

We were hoping to have updated the Roseland Climate Action Plan by the time of the meeting but a number of volunteers were ill and we have not managed to update the document yet.

We hope to have this ready to circulate for the next round of parish meetings. There have been positive discussions with a number of parish councils on the principle of the plan and relevant local actions.

We are exploring a wind feasibility study for Tregony Parish Council after the hydro scheme was shown not to be viable.

We are still waiting on the grid connection data for the solar and anaerobic digestion scheme.

**End of Appendix 1**