

**Konsel Pluw Erens
Gerrans Parish Council**

**MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Tuesday 7th March 2023 at 7.30 pm
in the Memorial Hall Annexe**



Present:

Cllrs Kate Greet (KG) (Chairman), John Crombie (JC), Jane Andain (JA), Ralph German (RG), Helen Hastings (HH), Joanna Holah (JH), Val Neal (VN) Steve Skull (Clerk), CC Julian German (JG).
One member of the public attended.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- Cllrs Richard Cochrane, Will Gill, Nev Meek, Laura Wilson.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ABSENCES

VN proposed (seconded JH) 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 reported CC's Highways Department were planning to put in place for Armed Forces Day, on 24th June, the same one-way traffic management system between Gerrans and St Anthony that has previously been used on the dates of the Tall Ships Festival's Parade of Sail. He agreed with the clerk that marshalling arrangements on the day would be essential.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- None

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Those members who had been present approved the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7th February, and the meeting of the Finance Committee which preceded it, as being true records of those meetings. KG signed the minutes.

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS - MATTERS ARISING

KG reported that the work to secure the wall between Gerrans Green and the adjoining cottage appeared now to have been completed.

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PLANNING MATTERS

a) Applications

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

Application	Address	PC decision
PA23/00844	Beach House, 22 North Parade	Support. Unanimous
PA23/01417	32, Treventon Road	Support. Unanimous
PA23/01317	The Flat, 4 The Square Portscatho	Support. Unanimous, with emphasis that a construction management plan must be put in place.

b) Decisions since last meeting

Application	GPC comment	CC Decision
PA23/00113 re 36, Churchtown Road	Support	Approved
PA22/10991 re The Cabin, Driftwood	Support	Granted

c) Pre-application consultation letter

Members discussed a previously circulated letter from Cornerstone Telecommunications concerning a proposed upgrade of the existing telecommunications base station at Roseland Squash Club. It was agreed that KG would draft and circulate a PC response to the letter, and the clerk would submit a final approved version by the deadline stipulated.

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AFFORDABLE HOUSING POLICY AND LOCAL HOUSING NEED

JC reported that the process of changing the PC's role in the drive to provide more affordable housing had now begun. He confirmed that, having got the project launched by assessing the need via last year's survey, and having been instrumental in bringing potential land providers and funding agencies together, the PC's role is now one of liaison, as it not in a legal position to be part of any commercial negotiations which will now take place going forward. He said that HH would become a trustee, and he and JH would become members, of The Roseland Community Land Trust, which would liaise with the larger Cornwall Community Land Trust, which will be the registered provider, taking the lead in accessing funding.

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PARKING

a) Members again considered whether or not to pursue the Council's initial expression of interest in bidding for funding under Year 2 of the Truro and Roseland Community Network Highways Scheme for delivery in the financial year 2023-2024.

After a discussion, and with reference again to the clerk's advice minuted at the February meeting, it was proposed by RG (seconded JA) that the PC should not continue with this bid. Agreed unanimously.

b) KG referred to the parking restriction proposals in Portscatho to be implemented under Year 1 of the Truro and Roseland Community Network Highways Scheme. She said the original proposal submitted by JG related to the whole Parish, but the scheme was reduced to include only central Portscatho for funding reasons. What was originally proposed was an adjustment in the seasonal time restrictions, but CC's Highways Agency had suggested the restrictions could be amended to apply all year. In the subsequent public consultation this was not supported by those who responded, and Highways had since confirmed that changing the seasonal restrictions could be agreed without further formal public consultation. It was therefore now proposed that the restriction to one hour's parking in the affected areas should apply from 21st March to 31st October, daily between 7.00 am and 7.00 pm. This was agreed. Voting was 6 in favour and 1 abstention.

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PARISH INFORMATION BOARD

In the absence of Councillors Nev Meek and Laura Wilson, it was agreed to defer this item until April's meeting.

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ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Roseland Environmental Action Community Team (REACT)

In the absence of Cllr Richard Cochrane, there was no report this month from REACT.

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

There was a discussion about the governance of the Parish Charity, but no proposals were made on which to vote.

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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 £3720.51 (including VAT of £23.53) be paid (proposed RG, seconded VN). A schedule of all the payments is available from the clerk.

2. Bank Reconciliation

The reconciled bank balance as at 25th January was £21,287.62.

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OTHER PARISH MATTERS

1. Any urgent business

- None

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

- None

3. Minor items for report only

- JH reported she had purchased some bio-degradable fluorescent paint with which to spray dog mess deposited on the streets and pavements in order to raise awareness of the issue.

- VN reported repeated incidents of vehicles catching their wing mirrors on the parking sign outside her house in Admiralty Terrace, and wondered if the sign could be moved. Members agreed this was a Cornwall Council matter, and JG said he would investigate.

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NEXT MEETING

It was unanimously agreed that Tuesday, 4th April 2023 be set for the next meeting, to be held in the Memorial Hall Annexe at 7.30 pm.

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MEETING CLOSE

KG declared the meeting closed at 8.36 pm.

End of Minutes