ST DAY PARISH COUNCIL

**Draft Minutes** of the Parish Council Meeting held on **14/06/21** at 7pm in the Enterprise Centre, Vogue, St Day.

**Present:** Cllrs C Bell, C Jones, C Lamb, J Beer, Clerk - S Moore and 10 members of the public

**Via Zoom:** Cornwall Councillor Donnithorne

**Apologies:** None

**1.** Chairman’s welcome, housekeeping and H&S. No apologies

4. It was APPROVED to conduct this item first as Cllr Donnithorne had a further meeting to attend.

Cornwall Councillors Report

* G7 was a success
* Full Council/Cabinet report – the first official cabinet is in the next 2 weeks
* Overview and Scrutiny Committees – Cllr CD is hoping to be voted as Vice Chair in order to be able to input into agendas to include and help the mining villages.
* Highways and Road Safety – Cllr CD has done a ‘highways walk-about’ with AD along with discussions on speeding and double yellow lines in St Day (in particular Vicarage Hill).
* Safe crossing at The Pound – Looking at September to start any process
* Recent meeting with St Day CAG – very keen to support their priorities and proposed projects.
* St Day Food Larder – Cllr CD is due to meet with Head Mistress of the school to work on creating a way to help those in the community who are in need.
* St Day Playing Field – Cllr CD is keen to be working with CC on the devolution project re. funding and also is happy to lead the community engagement aspect, especially for those without digital access.
* St Day Feast Church Service – Cllr CD attended the service and is hoping that St Day Feast will go ahead next year.
* Community Chest – Cllr CD will have £3,000 for the year and welcomes any expression of interest from local community groups/organisations.
* Economic Regeneration – Cllr CD met with Cllr G Eustace and on this note has requested a meeting with CB and any of the other Councillors, to discuss where to focus their energies and adopt a cohesive approach.
* Community Network Panels – Cllr CD has been elected at Chairman of the CPIR and Mining Villages Community Network Panel; giving him a good voice on opportunities for investment and attention to St Day and Carharrack. CB added that these network meetings are open to other organisations and the public. Camborne has recently been awarded £25 million.

2.      Public Participation

AA – Congratulated Cllr CD on becoming a Councillor, however wanted to correct him on the fact that Cornwall is a country and not to be referred to as a county. Also AA would like to plant a shrub in memory of a good friend in the

village. She was advised that the land in question was CC property but historically volunteers from St Day had tended a flower bed at that location, so contact to be provided to discuss with them – ACTION – Clerk to provide details.

SH – Regarding weed (unwanted plant) control, SH offered a suggestion of creating a voluntary group of residents who could patrol and remove unwanted plants following a once-a-year eco-friendly treatment. Suggested name UPA (Unwanted Plant Army) CB thanked SH for such a constructed suggestion and for such a positive approach.

KM – Planning consultant presenting on behalf of application PA21/04735. Proposed three single level, affordable led dwellings, in traditional local materials for the applicant’s relatives.

CL expressed concern that by building into green fields, this would eventually spread into adjoining fields – the response from KM was that only part of the field would be used and a traditional Cornish Hedge would be the boundary.

JB expressed concern on the vehicle access to the properties, in particular large lorries carrying building materials and disturbance to residents – the response from KM was that a management plan would be drawn up to protect the neighbours.

DM – commented on North Corner and the existing shaft; thus, questioning whether the extra traffic and heavy lorries would increase the risk of another hole and also the existing dip in the road.

CB suggested that if the build went ahead, then a regular check could be requested to manage these issues via the

Highways Manager.

CB requested a definitive property height to be supplied; although one is only entitled to light and not a view, it is a

concern that the roof height will be higher than the boundary fences. KM responded that there would be no impact, overshadowing or loss of privacy to the neighbours; but was not certain of the height. ACTION – Clerk to request exact proposed heights from KM, before consultee comment deadline. Circulate to Councillors and Cllr CD

Cllr CD also would like the definitive heights as on his site visit, it was not clear that the two affordable properties would be below the boundary line.

Cllr CD also would like clarification on parking and access, as each property would likely have 2 cars. ACTION – Clerk to request this information from KM, before consultee comment deadline. Circulate to Councillors and Cllr CD

KM went on to explain that the proposed build is too small for any full Section 106 development/obligation. Properties will be in perpetuity only for local people and was supported by the previous ED Councillor. If at any time the affordable properties were to be sold, it would be restricted only for someone in the Parish who have not owned a property before.

CB asked for clarification that if sold, it would be at a % of the market value, and this was confirmed – It was also confirmed that the applicants own and will maintain the access to the proposed properties and the Vickery Holman report states that there will be no profit to the applicants, if either of the affordable builds are sold in the future.

**3.** Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests relating to items on the agenda – CJ on Planning (Item 9) and also the field at Vogue (item 8h)

9 Planning - It was APPROVED to cover this item whilst applicants were present

Application: PA21/04735

Proposal: Affordable led application for the Erection of 3 dwellings (2 no. affordables and 1 no. market)

Location: Land Rear Of 14 Wheal Gorland Road Wheal Gorland Road St Day Redruth

Applicant: Mr M Opie

CB stressed that the Parish Council could only look at the application as it currently stands and the legal situation of

Policy 9 (Cornwall Local Plan) and the National Framework Policy.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would have no objection to the application (on receipt of the roof heights), but

the correct phraseology needs to be established. It was **AGREED** that should there be any problem with access or

subsidence then the building work must stop. CB informed the Councillors that Planning do not always notify the

Highways Manager, but the PC can – so this would be done. **ACTION** - The consultee comments will be submitted, once

clarification of the roof heights has been sent to the Clerk for circulation.

7l. Climate Emergency Plan – Unwanted Plants - It was APPROVED to cover this item whilst public were present

It was explained by CB that the current situation is not working, although this is probably due to lack of treatment rather

than the treatment itself. The current treatment does not affect the roots of the plants which then as trophic response

are invigorated to produce more growth which requires more frequent control. The objective of the hot foam method

was to move away from chemicals, however the current method also has its environmental impact with the need to

heat vast amounts of water and the CO2 emissions generated to do so as well as the issues of blocking the highway

whilst treatment is taking place. Options left are 1. To do nothing, but this will destroy the surfaces in time and then

require a less than ecologically-friendly repair, as well as unnecessary cost. 2. Use Glyphosate which kills the plant and

the roots and a second application will kill the seeds, but this has certain implications for the wildlife/insects/pollinators.

All methods have advantages and disadvantages. It was RESOLVED to carry on for this year with the hot foam method

and place an article in the next newsletter to promote the UPA and gauge interest. ACTION – Clerk to liaise with CAG on

an article. CJ suggested that this is trialled in a single area to see if it works. It was AGREED that the PC would assist in

the purchase of tools etc. to assist hand weeding. ACTION – CB to see contractor to establish what he can do and when.

**5.** Minutes from meeting held on 17.05.21 **AGREED** and signed as correct

6. Police reports – 6 reported crimes in April 2012

Fore Street Other theft x 1

Scorrier Street Other theft x 1

Church Hill ASB x 3

Public order x 1

It was suggested not to include these details in future minutes as no information on outcomes available.

**7.** Matters arising:

**a**  **St Day Regeneration** – nothing reported

**b** **Footpaths –** Path from Vogue to Tolcarne Rd reported to CC. Pink Moors (3rd Style) **ACTION** - CB to contact Douces for quote on delivery of aggregate – approx. 18m x 1.5m

**c** **Public Transport and Bus Shelters** – Buses and Fore St turning – the possibility of having a ‘no loading’ restriction was discussed. Parking on this would result in an immediate offence; a loading bay would also be necessary – this way forward would need a public consultation **RESOLVED** to pursue with Highways.

**d**  **Play Areas and Gardens**

**i. St Day Playing Field**

-Devolution: Meeting was held on Monday 24th May

-Benches – Quote received (£895 + VAT) to lay concrete slabs and fix benches; it was agreed that this was too much and the work would be completed by the minor works team using Postcrete and 8 paving stones. **ACTION** – Clerk to order 2 wooden picnic benches (£309 each) and request funding from section 106 funds.

-CCTV – it was **AGREED** to proceed with the purchase of CCTV at £775 + VAT. **ACTION** – CJ will look to source a 21ft scaffold pole - but if not possible, then Clerk to order one with insert and supa tie at £86.58 inc VAT from Actavo.

-It was **AGREED** to purchase 2 galvanised metal gates (800 x 1800) for toilets up to £150 each **ACTION** – CJ will source. JB reported that the PC has been offered a cistern and pan to replace the vandalised gents’ toilet **ACTION** – JB to follow up

ii. **Skate Park**

-A formal thank you was mentioned to the football club groundsman, for replacing the fence with the new poles.

-Painting ramps – Awaiting quote from ML

-Banking danger – this has been passed on to Cllr CD

1. **Wheal Jewel Play Area**

-Adult exercise equipment is in the process of being installed; some delay on delivery. Clerk reported that the holes left in the ground have been filled and the company have promised that the third piece will be installed on 16.06 – fourth piece of equipment still not received from installer’s supplier, therefore completion date to be confirmed. Clerk in communication with the company **ACTION** – clerk to send letter of complaint to company.

-Damaged swing has been replaced by CC and the bouncer removed. It was **RESOLVED** to purchase a replacement

Bouncer. **ACTION** – Clerk to get quotes and circulate to Councillors.

**e** **Surgery Facilities** – The lease has now been agreed and signed by both the Mills Trust and Carn to Coast surgery.  They have also signed the building contract with ‘Building with Frames’ and they need an 8 week lead in, so they should be starting work on site in early August. The build should take 9 months so hopefully looking forward to completion next May.

**f**  **Burial Ground/Churchyard**

-RW has been instructed to level and re-turf the sunken grave at a cost of £55.

-email sent to PH regarding Travelers graves and clearing items onto the memorial area. RW will then re-turf the 2 graves. **ACTION** – Clerk to chase this up, as no response to date.

-Headstone that was leaning has been rectified by Daniel Tresise (Stonemason) and grave made more level – no charge. Thanks given.

**g** **Speed Watch**

-JB has produced a letter to send to local businesses re. speeding **ACTIONS** – Clerk to circulate to the Councillors, JB to

send addresses to Clerk, and Clerk will post out to the businesses. It was noted by JB that 22 employees of local

businesses have been caught speeding.

-Speed watch report was not discussed, as pre-circulated.

**h**  **Neighbourhood Development Plan** - Nothing to report

**i Bins and dog fouling** – Some primary school aged children were observed kicking the dog bin at Wheal Jewel play area.

**j** **Minor Works** – The following jobs are all to be scheduled, in no particular order:-

i. Rectify setts in Market Square, Buckingham Terraceand Community Centre

ii. Rectify rubber matting under swings at St Day playing field

iii. Pink Moors footpath – 3rd style

iv. Playing field toilet repair

v. CCTV – trench from pavilion to back of toilets and erect a pole to fix camera to

vi. Fixings for picnic benches and grass matting at rugby field

vii. Erect pole at Brickworks Hill re. lorry access

viii. Build a platform for speed watch – **ACTION** – CJ to investigate a supply of scaffolding whilst looking for the CCTV pole. It was suggested that if all the poles need to purchased, then order together to save on delivery.

**k. Current Year Projects/Events, 2021/22**

i It was **RESOLVED** to re-open the public toilets in August, which would coincide with the new restriction easing date and the August newsletter. **ACTION** – Clerk to inform CaJ and produce advert for the newsletter.

l. Climate Emergency Plan

i. Climate action group – Meeting minutes were pre-circulated

ii. It has been established that the grassed area in Carew Road is owned by Coastline. In the hands of the CAG

(iii. Weeds were discussed in early part of meeting)

**m. 20mph Initiative (20’s Plenty for Cornwall) –** Following the circulation of the meeting report with AD and some discussion – it was **RESOLVED** to request that Highways action radar class data, to establish what speed vehicles are going through the village. **ACTION** – Clerk to request that this proceeds.

**n. Audit update –** AGAR and all associated paperwork sent to PK Littlejohns (external auditor)**.** A formal thanks was given to KG for his work on the internal audit. **ACTION** – Clerk to send a letter of thanks from the PC. The Clerk was

was also thanked for her work on the Accounts.

8. Correspondence / communications received

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| a. Fallen tree in St Day Playing Field - tree stumps organised to be collected – in hands of MD  b. Xmas tree in Market Square – cut up and removed by DM – thanks given  c. HGV – stuck on Brickworks Hill – signs ordered and received  d. Water Efficiency Engagement events (South West Water) – Football club offered to host a stand  e. Letter of thanks sent to 2 residents for continued litter picking in village  f. Chacewater Community Energy Group - Green Energy Fair and Electric Vehicle Day 24th July  g. Wrecked car parked in Chyrose cannot be enforced by the PC  h. Vogue fields adjacent to footpath – not for PC attention |

Litter pick – It was AGREED for the litter pick to be held on Saturday 14th August

9 Planning

Application: PA21/02187 APPROVED by Cornwall Council

Location: Foxwood Cottage Treskerby Redruth TR16 5AA

Application: PA21/03064 APPROVED by Cornwall Council

Location: 8 Chapel Street St Day Redruth Cornwall

Application: PA21/03207 - Beech Tree felling – APPROVED by Cornwall Council

(Application: PA21/04735 Discussed at start of the meeting)

Application: PA21/04233 APPROVED by Parish Council

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for the proposed refurbishment of existing dwelling including removal of conservatory

and extension; construction of veranda; new and replacement windows and doors; reconfiguration of internal layout

and associated works.

Location: Treruffe House Tolgullow St Day Redruth

Applicant: Ms Jan Driver

**10. Accounts/Banking** - Accounts were **AGREED** and cheques signed

SM Salary 808.49 (812.29 – 3.80)

*Broadband/Tel allowances 13.33*

*HP printing DD 8.49*

*Road signs (unsuitable for HGV) 21.57*

*Meeting refreshments 5.60*

**857.48**

BC Street cleaning 258.00

CB Cable ties and awning attachments 23.05

It was noted by CB, that GM has bought plants for the wooden planters in Market Square, receipt will be forwarded to Clerk and it was **APPROVED** to re-imburse, **ACTION** – Clerk to send a letter of thanks.

**11. Traffic and roads**

-Recent accident at Tolgullow turn on B3298

-Request from CD for grant to pay for pedestrian counter (Split with CD and Carharrack PC) at the pound crossroads. It was RESOLVED to contribute one third of the necessary £900; on the assumption that Cllr CD can use Community Chest funding. ACTION – Clerk to raise a cheque for £300 and inform Carharrack PC that this has been agreed by St Day.

12. Meeting Reports - UDDGP 08/06 Climate Action, CPIR, AD, CD on 08/06, self-build 10/06

Playing field 25/05, CPIR climate Change 25/05 MVRG 27/05, N.Kerrier NHS ref group 18/05 (all circulated)

13. Upcoming Meetings - 22/06 Mineral Trails and B3298 safety 22/06 CPIR Climate Change 28/06 UD Geothermal

Liaison 05/07 Climate Action Group

It was raised that no date set for the next Police Liaison meeting. ACTION – Clerk to find out when this is scheduled and also to send a letter of congratulations to the local inspector for their work on the recent G7 event.

14. Casual vacancies/policies

-It was noted that the Tree Warden post accepted by NB

- Updated Code of Conduct needs to be adhered to.

-It was RESOLVED that the level of any gift value needs to be declared, if over £15.00 or accumulatively over £50.00 per year

-Successful applicants for the three Parish Council seats are Zoe Abbotts, Mark Graham and David Moerel. ACTION – Clerk to write to each and invite them to an induction, prior to the next PC meeting.

15. Date of the next meeting – Monday 12th July at 7pm

The meeting closed at 9.36pm