ST DAY PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13.06.22 at 7pm, Enterprise Centre, Vogue, St Day.

Present: Cllrs James Beer, Zoe Abbotts, Demelza Stevenson, Clive Jones, Matthew McEvoy, Darrell Christie.

There were **three** members of the public present.

1. **Chairman’s welcome**. Apologies from Cornwall Cllr Connor Donnithorne, Cllr Carl Lamb.
2. **Public Participation**

PA22/04135 - The applicant showed some plans of the proposed build and also explained how he had amended the

entrance (to make a separate access), to meet PC recommendation on the pre-app.

Land at the back of Fairfield PA22/04033 - This was discussed at the May meeting and not supported; however, a

resident attended the meeting, to report the erection of high fencing on the land, a caravan and large access gateway

cut into the Cornish wall. This is in the hands of Cllr CD already, but it was **AGREED** to discuss in item 13 (planning

enforcement). It was also **AGREED** that representative/s from the PC would go to the site and have a look at this.

**ACTION** - Clerk to update Cllr CD on the further changes/additions to the site.

**3.** There were no declarations of **Personal and Prejudicial Interests** relating to items on the agenda

**4**. The amended draft minutes from meeting held on 09.05.22 were **AGREED** as correct

**5.**  Planning:

*5.1 To receive and comment on planning applications*

**Application** PA22/04135 - Proposed Single dwelling house and garage; Land North West Of Meadowside.

It was **RESOLVED** by a vote of (4 for/2 against) that St Day Parish Council would not object to this application. The Parish Council supports the opportunity of locally born residents having the opportunity to remain in the town or village that they were brought up in - however, would like to request the following:

1. Water conservation/water recycling on site is considered, to reduce environmental impact as per the Emerging Cornwall Council Climate Emergency DPD – Sustainable Energy and Construction -*Though we are unable to require it, we want to encourage the optional higher water efficiency standard within Building Regulations Part G for new dwellings (110 litres/person/day).*

2. The build is eco-friendly and more details supplied on the energy reduction/energy generation for the site. The build says it is environmental by using ‘recycled materials’ yet there are no specific details. National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)  *New development is expected to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions (paragraph 154).*

**C*oncerns brought up were****:*

*-*This is on greenfield space, removed from neighbouring properties and very much a standalone proposal. The field that lies between the proposed build and the existing build will  become 'infill' and a third property will be developed at some point in the future.

-It is removed from the village, (can it connect to the mains sewage?) and is against Cornwall Council Local Plan – *1.67 Large gaps often exist between the urban edge of a settlement and other isolated dwellings beyond the edge of the settlement; they are not appropriate locations for infill development, and the development of these gaps would not therefore be considered as infill under the policies of this Local Plan.*

 -Access onto the B3298 is dangerous despite what the access statement says. This access is right next to Barracks Lane, a footpath, but also onto the fast B3298.

-The Environmental note states that there could be a moderate contamination risk to human health, yet the planning

application has said there is no contaminated land and have not investigated this further.

**Application** PA22/02235 - Proposed replacement of existing annexe with new, replacement of existing garage and

retention of garden room at Fir Trees Cottage, Scorrier. It was **RESOLVED** to support this application.

## PA22/00864 - Land Opposite Higher Tolcarne House. It **RESOLVED** to ‘Agree to Disagree’ with Cornwall Council’s decision

**PA22/03605** - 5 Wheal Gorland - Approved by CC

**PA22/01497** - Little Menhere Farm - Approved by CC

It was **AGREED** that both the Councillors and the Clerk would benefit from planning training. **ACTION** - Clerk to

investigate what training is available, and the costs.

5.2 There were no planning applications received since the Interim Agenda

1. Cornwall Councillor was not in attendance, so no report given
2. Matters arising

**a. Current Year Projects/Events**

**- Queens Jubilee Event** – Chair thanked all those from both committees, for all the help and input before, during and after the event. Feedback from those who attended has been very good. Points from the written feedback were not recounted, but will help to improve any future event that may be organised. Altogether, the combined expenditure of the event (not including the cost of mugs) was just under £1,000(split 50/50 between Feast and PC) and was **AGREED** it was money well spent for the community. It is noted that the left over mugs will be sold at Feast (Clerk to attend Feast Day in order to do this - all mugs sold at cost price and no profit being made).

**b. Town Regeneration**

-It was proposed by DS that the PC sets up a Community Interest Company (CIC) to allow application for grants to help raise funds for building preservation/projects such as The Old Workshop and the Primitive Chapel. Seconded by MM and voted unanimously by the Councillors.

-Big issue that has come out of the NDP surveys is car parking in St Day. If a suitable piece of land is available, then what would the options be? ie. rent or buy the land. This was not discussed further, but will be a topic for the next agenda.

c. Footpaths

-Path (226/8/1) through Tregullow and lane beside WJ have not been followed up to date, but is in hand with CJ.

-It was noted what a good job was made of the church courtyard weeds, in preparation for the Jubilee event. Some complaints have been made re. Use of weed killer in St Day - this was not the PC, however, weeds are a huge issue. It was **AGREED** not to to further the contractors workload with this, but **ACTION** - ZA to approach a known resident who is familiar with both ‘environmental issues’ and is a gardener, for advice and support.

Play areas and gardens

-Exercise area at Wheal Jewel has been checked. However, the item that was reset in concrete by the suppliers, has been pushed whilst the cement was still wet - causing it to harden and remain at an angle. The ‘keep off’ fencing was simply pulled up and left on the field by the vandals. **ACTION** - equipment to be re-checked prior to next meeting.

-It was requested by CJ that the bank beside the skate park could be extended out towards the pitch, rather than remove earth from the Enterprise Centre build - this was **AGREED** unanimously. Due to the build, the PC archive paperwork will be placed in a container on the site. Access will be available for the Clerk, if necessary, via CJ.

-Knotweed on bank above the teenage village has been reported. CJ informed the PC of further knot weed at field beside pitch. **ACTION** - Clerk to write to land owner/s, if they do not respond then the PC will need to have it eliminated and send out the bill. MM also raised the topic of Himalayan Balsam which is also an invasive weed and becoming a problem in the Parish.

-**Toilets at rugby field**: it has been agreed (some months ago) by CC that they will be removed. Cllr CD following this up -

**ACTION** Clerk to seek an update on when this will be done and how it will be funded.

-Camp in the rugby field - PCSO has taken a look at this, as has JB - appears to be deserted now.

**-Rose for Geoff -** slate marker for the rose - in hand.

**d. Burial Ground and Churchyard -**There were some concerns on whether the contractor will manage the full load of the grass cutting (and footpaths) as required. Clerk and Councillor/s to meet with contractor this week.

-The Councillors were informed that the PC may be donated the newly tree planted area, as well as the agreed area for the new burial ground. It was **AGREED,** with thanks to the owner, to accept this as a community space.

-It was raised that the hedge is starting to become overgrown on the land that is to be donated for the new burial ground; However, as a gesture of goodwill, it was felt that the PC ought to cut this as and when it needs to be done in the interim of the transfer.

**e. Neighbourhood Development Plan**

**-**Responses from the recent survey have shown approximately 50% of answers to be in line with the previous survey (of a few years ago); there is much more concern on sustainability and climate change this time around. The Local Landscape Character Assessment needs to be completed next. St Day Feast is the ideal opportunity to present the next stage to the community. It was **RESOLVED** that DS would endeavour to produce a Local Character Assessment survey for Feast and also to produce a presentation of where we are so far, and invite community to come and listen/interact. Update to go into August newsletter. For more discussion at next meeting.

**f. Climate Update**

-Plastic reduction; ZA is formulating a list of businesses (approx 180 in St Day) to write to on how they might be able to reduce their ‘plastic use’.

-The PC has registered for a place on the Carbon neutral training courses and are now waiting for a response to see if they are one of 8 PCs to be selected.

-Climate change and sustainability within the parish - DS described some options within the parish where the PC can possibly influence. DS will offer a ’topic’ at each forthcoming meeting , which can be looked at individually.

g. Bins and dog fouling - Nothing reported

**h. Minor Works -** CJ would like to focus on the possibility of making the styles more user friendly for wheelchairs /pushchairs.

**i. Speed Watch** - JB reported that the new batteries are up and running. Both speed signs are currently situated on the B3298. June has seen some of the team on holiday, but should be a full team again in July.

**j.** **Surgery Facilities/Pharmacy** - Nothing reported, but JB and Clerk to meet with SE - update at the next meeting.

**k. Defibrillators in St Day** – It was reported that the school are not happy to have a defibrillator cabinet with an unlocked door, due to sharps pack inside. Clerk has had information from the Ronnie Richards Memorial Charity, which indicates that unlocked cabinets are not a risk, and over 60 schools in Cornwall have these; however, 2 out of 5 emergencies where there is a locked case, the person cannot access the defibrillator. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to have the new defibrillator relocated to the church if possible, still in an unlocked cabinet. **ACTION** - JB to seek approval from the church for a location. Once this is confirmed, Clerk to contact the school to inform them of the change of location.

l. Further matters raised - Feast having no evening market this year. It was proposed that the PC offer to organise this next year if the Feast Committee will accept; along with the view to covering the cost of the insurance on the back of the PC’s existing Public Liability insurance.

8. Correspondence / communications received

-Dogs on Beaches - No changes were suggested to current guidelines.

-Pound crossing grant (£2000) still in PC bank - no instructions to date to pay to CC

-Young cyclists - article for the next newsletter has been produced by DC following an incident where young cyclists were dangerously close to a collision on Telegraph Hill from Mills Street. The school has been informed to try and raise safety awareness.

-Land at Tolgullow. Residents in dispute with Cormac over tree cutting - in hand , and letter written by JB to Cormac in support of the landowners who should not have this responsibility.

9. Accounts/Banking - The following payments were all **AGREED**

DS NDP display bits 489.83 (pd)

JB Batteries for VAS 405.92 (pd)

Prima Jubilee splits/buns 259.00 (pd)

CJ Jubilee prizes 43.39 (pd)

BT Jubilee cakes 115.00 (pd)

SM Salary 810.46 (812.29 – 1.83)

 *Broadband/Tel allowances 13.33*

 *HP printing DD 9.99*

 *Zazzle name badges 13.53*

 ***847.31***

St Julia’s Hospice Donation 300.00

BC Street Cleaning 256.00

 Enviro Bee hotels x 4 38.00

 Holy Trinity Church Order of service/Hymn/prayer books 50.00

- **Clerk Hours** - it was **RESOLVED** to bring the Clerk’s pay increment/hours in line with SLCC (Clerk’s working hours survery) and **AGREED** to back date this to the start of this financial year. **ACTION** - Contract to be updated and transparency of hours will be required, as from 1st July.

It was noted that this agreement is current and not an automatic continuation for a replacement Clerk, should the situation arise; in which case, hours and pay grade would be negotiated according to a replacement’s experience, availability and PC requirements at the time.

**10. Traffic and roads -** Road closure intentions: Location:         Poldice, St Day & Road From District Boundary To Crofthandy, St Day - 22nd July (07.30 - 17.00) - Speeding on Vicarage Hill was deemed not to warrant the VAS signs being placed there. **ACTION** Bucket and pole will be supplied to the resident to place their own sign, with any approvals from Cornwall Council to be sought by them. - No update on 47 bus service - should have been reviewed on 9th April - no known or current complaints from residents.

1. Meeting Reports – Trevithick Day (JB) Speedwatch coordinators lunch at Wadebridge (JB) CPIR 24.05.22 (DS)
2. **Upc**oming Meetings – Murdoch Day 18.06.22 (JB), Clerks,meeting 22.06.22 (SM), MVRG 04.08.22 (SM, CJ)

1. Planning enforcement (in camera)
2. Date of the next meeting - Monday 11th July

Meeting closed at 9.59pm