ST DAY PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10.07.23 at 7pm, Enterprise Centre, Vogue, St Day.

Present: Cllrs James Beer, Zoe Abbotts, Clive Jones, Darrell Christie, Jo Lello-Dunn, Cllr Connor Donnithorne (partial meeting attendance), Clerk -Sarah Moore. **Apologies from** Cllr Demelza Stevenson

There were 4 members of the public present

1. **Chair’s welcome** to all, and introductions. It was announced that MM has resigned and a vacancy has arisen
2. Public Participation - there were two representatives from the Old Church CIC. The Old Church is run as a community and performing arts centre. Firstly MH thanked the PC for the ongoing financial support given over time. LT explained that the CIC’s main aim is to preserve the heritage asset for the benefit of the community. With the PC looking at a similar aim with other historic buildings, it was proposed that the Old Church CIC and the PC may work together towards the same outcome and aims to benefit all historic buildings for everyone’s benefit. It was requested by MH that a PC member would be present to represent at future Old Church meetings and join the committee. MH offered to assist in looking at how to move forward with saving the dilapidated buildings in question, and will also pass dates on to the Clerk of upcoming Old Church CIC meetings.

BB drew attention to the cutting of the footpaths and the fact that the cutting debris had not been cleared away - this was with particular reference to the paths from Pink Moors to Balcoath (Path 10) and Bunts Lane (path 9). BB was informed by the Clerk that the contractor had been requested already to clear the debris from Path 10. **ACTION** - Clerk/CJ to check the gullies in Bunts Lane and also the head height ferns, which are reported to be trailing over.

1. JB declared a personal and prejudicial interest, relating to item 9 on the agenda (Pink Moors working group

grant request)

4. It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12h June were correct and were signed by JB

1. Cornwall Councillor’s Report - \*It was RESOLVED to delay this, until Cllr CD’s arrival
2. Planning - To receive and comment on recent planning applications:

**Application** PA23/05173 - proposed conversion of garage and rear extension at13, Wheal Gorland Road.

It was **AGREED** to support this planning application

**Application** PA23/04863 - Application for a certificate of lawfulness for the existing use of outbuilding as self-contained annexe at Fir Trees Cottage, Scorrier. **ACTION** - Clerk to seek some clarification from planning officer

**PA23/03098** - Single-storey rear extension to existing dwelling with roof terrace over at 2 Scorrier Street. **WITHDRAWN**

**PA22/10946** - Construction of side and rear extensions and installation of a new septic tank to replace existing

system at Orchard Cottage, Pink Moors. **APPROVED by CC**

**PA23/01950 -** Proposed conversion and extension of existing stone outbuilding for use as a self-contained

residential annexe as ancillary accommodation to host dwelling [Farm View Cottage] and installation of a septic tank with leach field drainage at Farm View Cottage, Lower Ninnis. **APPROVED by CC**

1. Matters Arising

**a. Current Year Projects/Events**

- **Defibrillators** - £50 donation has been paid to the RRMC charity, as agreed in the June meeting. Newly purchased resuscitation masks will be placed in the Post Office for sale at cost price, and one gifted to each participant of the defibrillator training.

- It has been confirmed that both proposed locations will gratefully accept the defibrillators and are willing to provide the power source necessary. **ACTION** - Clerk to order the units.

- **St Day in Bloom** - 6 entries. Judging on Saturday 29th July with a small presentation to follow.

- **Cactus Brass** - Saturday 19th August (3pm - 5pm) in Market Square. Back up plan if raining/bad weather will be to use the Community Centre. **ACTION** - Clerk to organise refreshments, and liaise with the band. Advert to go into the newsletter.

- **Halloween Event** - It is hoped that there will be another, as the 2022 event was so successful. JB and SM will be liaising with LR on the planning.

- **Remembrance Service** - Sunday 12th November. St Day and Carharrack Silver band will be present. Church service at 9.30am **ACTION** - Clerk to invite the football youth team and check whether the band will march or be at the war memorial ready.

- **Switch on of Xmas Lights** - It was **RESOLVED** to suggest Friday 1st December for the Christmas lights ‘switch on’ to the lights committee, the band and also LR for Santa's grotto. **ACTION** - Clerk to liaise with those concerned to check this date suits all.

- **Carols around the Christmas Tree** - Usually on a Friday, a week or so before Christmas, (last year was on 16th Dec) which would make the potential dates Friday 15th of 23rd December. **ACTION** Clerk to agree a date and time with the band.

**b. Town Regeneration**

- **Parish CIC -** The two places in need of repair that could be used for the benefit of the community are the Old Manor workshop and the Old Methodist (Primitive) Chapel. Both have been inspected by Cornwall Council building control and deemed not necessary for any essential action. A letter has been received from the ICO, to register the CIC (data protection) **ACTION** - Clerk to register.

**- Clock tower** - Clerk has liaised with the previous Clerk/valuation specialist/insurance company on this - any updates /progress will be reported at the September meeting.

- Sets in Market Square - the uneven setts at the entrance to the square were reported to Cornwall Council who have done a repair; however, another one is loose and this has been reported. It was suggested that there is a plate put over the cement to prevent vehicles from driving over whilst wet. **ACTION** - Clerk to review the area and communicate with Cornwall Council.

- It has been requested that Cormac lowers the curb into the pharmacy. They have agreed to assess the curb but no communication other than this. DC suggested the best point of access from a wheelchair users perspective. **ACTION** - Clerk to chase CC/Cormac for any progress.

**c. Footpaths/Weed Control**

**Weeds** - The strimmed weeds were a successful ‘fix’ for Feast. A contractor was emailed re. a date to spray, and a plan of St Day streets has been sent to him. The LMP agreed path cutting has started; the complaint about the cuttings which were left on the path (Pink Moors to Wheal Gorland) already discussed in Item 2. Following a request to cut back/repair, CC (Environmental team) have stated that they will assess the path at the back of Wheal Jewel Park along with the bordering wire collapsing fence.

d. Play areas and gardens

**- Wheal Jewel** - Re-levelling of the leaning piece of kit has been completed by contractor. Older pieces of exercise equipment will be tackled by minor works team (rubbing down and re-painting) - JB to be reimbursed for the products purchased for this task (**AGREED**).

- **St Day Playing field -** Minor Works to start on activity trail and swings/matting. DC commented on the uneven path at the entrance to the park, caused by roots lifting the tarmac path. **ACTION** - Clerk to raise this with CC.

- **Skate park -** Following the findings on the H&S inspection it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to instruct the removal of the ramp and teenage village (at a cost of £5,190) and embark on the tender process for a concrete re-build and complete upgrade (estimated 12-18 months from tender to completion). Payment for the removal, will be made once the PC are happy with the work.

- **Proposed Coronation Garden** - It was raised that the piece of land was actually grassed over hardcore/compacted rubble. This led to some discussion and concern on whether a garden would actually get established, as the roots will not have the necessary depth and soil to thrive. Therefore, would it be a waste of money? It was **RESOLVED** not to rush into any agreement to financially build/maintain a garden, should this be the decided use for the plot, without thorough investigations first. The idea of a car park remains to be the first choice of the Councillors for the plot.

*\*Cllr CD arrived (having been in attendance at a previous meeting with Redruth Council)*

**e. Burial Ground and Churchyard**

**-** The fence between the new burial ground and the Burnwithian Woodland is up. Now that this is in place, and the angle of the fence is apparent, the Clerk asked for reconsideration on the possibility of a shared entrance with the land owner of the adjacent field. It was **RESOLVED** that each Councillor would take a look at the current layout, in order to see the feasibility of one main gate. **ACTION** Clerk to gather the consensus of opinions and report at the next meeting.

-**ACTION** - Clerk to circulate the second review of the burial ground charges in advance of the September meeting, for agreement at the meeting

**\*Cornwall Councillor’s Report**

- Trefula - work continues to try and ensure that the future of the land is safeguarded for a more appropriate facility and adult social care provision

- St Day Feast was highly commended

- Community Chest - supporting the school leavers/Carharrack food pantry

- Bus driver complaint is being dealt with and Cllr CD is working to get a more appropriate sized bus for the village

- Assault in Redruth - 4 suspects are under caution

- Proposed closure of the ticket office in Redruth train station is not supported by Cllr CD - and he is encouraging people to respond to the public consultation.

- Closure of Redruth Post Office and Portreath Post Post Office; the loss of high street facilities is a huge concern

- Pound crossing; start date for work will be 2024

- 20mph consultation; proposed to cover almost every road throughout the village. Public consultation open.

*\*Cllr CD left the meeting to attend another*

**f. Neighbourhood Development Plan** - Consultation day was held on 24.06.23 and it was noted that DS’s planning, organisation, data and input to the NDP have been second to none and thanks to Dee are formally minuted.

**g. Climate Update** - nothing reported.

h. Bins and dog fouling - Bin bags for were CJ supplied. Seagull bags in process of ordering from CC.

1. **Minor Works -** Meeting held on 6th July - attended by 10 volunteers. The first job will be Millennium Garden on Wednesday 12th July. Other jobs on imminent list will be: Planters in Market Square/gates in WJ park/exercise equipment/swings & activity trail in playing field/bench in Carew Rd/Dog bin at Killifreth. Next meeting will be 7th September (6pm, at St Day Community Centre).

**j. Speed Watch** - Report from JB was circulated prior to the meeting. JB requested that insurance cover is checked for changing the batteries on the VAS. **ACTION** - Clerk to ensure cover is appropriate.

**k.** There were no **matters arising**, between printing of agenda and the meeting date

1. Correspondence / communications received

- UDDGP Visit date - It was **RESOLVED** that the PC accepts the invitation for the 23rd September at 10.30am

- Overhanging trees on Church Hill - request to get them cut **ACTION** - Clerk to ascertain who is the land owner

- A resident would like to see 3 cycle/walk signs placed to direct users from the busy St Day road, to go up towards Gwennap Pit, turn left and pass St Aubyns mine and then left at the top to rejoin the road; and would like the support of the PC on this. This was put to Cllr CD - but he has spoken to the highways officer, and from a technical point of view, this won’t be feasible as it is not safer. Cllr CD has already informed the resident of this.

- Complaint of footpath cutting (Discussed in Item 2)

- Bus from St Day to Stithians Show - this was forwarded to Cllr CD

1. Accounts/Banking - The following accounts were all AGREED for payment

SM Salary (less Tax 39.20 & NIC 23.64) 1,182.13(1,244.97 – 62.84)

 *Broadband/Tel allowances 13.33*

 *HP printing DD 9.99*

 *Meeting refreshments 1.19*

 *NDP training refreshments 25.50*

 *Microsoft 365 79.99*

 ***1,312.13***

BC Street Cleaning 208.00

SDY&S Enterprise Hire 65.00(DD)

HMRC PAYE/NI 130.04

Star Inn Coronation Event (food) 500.00

BS Re-setting exercise piece 720.00

MVRG Annual fee 100.00

RRMC 2 x Defibs and unlocked case 3638.70

**Grants/Grant Applications**

**-** The Welcome Cub grant payment was clarified to be paid directly to the Community Centre (£240) and £60 to be held.

- **St Pirans Amateur Boxing Club** - It was agreed in principle at the last meeting, to donate some funds on receipt of a completed form (now received) - It was **RESOLVED** to grant £250 towards new flooring.

- **Sunny Days Nursery** - It was **RESOLVED** to grant £158.67 for a new wave slide (to replace a vandalised slide).

- **Parents of St Day School** - It was **RESOLVED** to pay £180 towards a leavers party; this will be reimbursed from the Community Chest fund granted by Cllr CD.

- **Pink Moors Working Group** - It was **RESOLVED** to grant £50 towards a new battery strimmer.

**10. Traffic and roads -** ZA raised the fact that very, very large lorries are using the narrow road from United Downs to Twelveheads. **ACTION** - Clerk to raise this with the Gwennap Clerk.

11. Report on any external meetings attended - JB, MVRG - 15.06.23; DS, CPIR Climate - 20.06.23; SM, Clerks meeting - 21.06.23; JB/CJ/SM, Pound crossroads/highways - 27.06.23; JB, CAP meeting 27.06.23; JB, Police liaison - 06.07.2; JB, SM, CJ Minor works group

12. Upcoming Meetings - Planning Teams - 11.07.23; Minor works - 07.09.23

**13.**  **Planning enforcement** (in Camera)

1. Date of the next meeting - Monday 11th September at 7pm

**Meeting closed at 9.05pm**