



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20 January 2025

Present: Councillors D Pengelly (Chair), A French, J Greville, N Jolliff, P Lightfoot, M Potter, A Sharpe, C Wakeham, Parish Clerk, Councillor J Candy (CC), 1 member of the public

001/25 Open Session

PCSO Cocks had sent in the following report. Happy New Year. Please accept my apologies for my nonattendance at this month's Community Council meeting. From 01/12/24 – 31/12/24 there were 3 crimes inc. 2 criminal damages to vehicles (not linked) and 1 harassment crime. Numerous patrols have been conducted around the Parish and all was found to be in order. If there are any questions or matters arising for my attention, then please contact me in the usual manner.

Councillor Candy had sent in the following report:-

1. The Plymouth lane of the Saltash Tunnel is now closed overnight, and further closures of the tunnel are planned, which will cause significant delays.
2. The Polperro Road works were completed by Christmas, with the road reopening under traffic lights from 29th November.
3. I have dealt with a Cornwall Housing tenant who had damp and other disrepair issues in his property and had to relocate.
4. The blocked highways drain at Tregamelyn has been dealt with.
5. Polperro Chapel is opening as a warm space partly funded by my Community Chest.
6. The Prince of Wales Pier restoration is progressing well
7. Cornwall Council are planning to lease out 25 car parks to a private company who will use ANPR. Although none of them are in my division I am not happy with this proposal as they are not being offered to the local councils first.
8. Cornwall airport has an operating loss of circa £3million. Cornwall Council have been negotiating with a consortium to lease out land at the airport for development, to offset these losses, but the deal has fallen through.
9. Plans to save money in this financial year by closing several Adult Education sites have been challenged by the opposition due to a lack of consultation and scrutiny of the decision.
10. The Cornwall Council budget will be set in February
11. I am concerned about the new NPPF and target housing numbers increasing, there are online meetings available to learn about the implications. The Neighbourhood Plan may need updating.
12. Although Cornwall Council rejected a devolution offer under the Tories, the new Labour Government are insisting that Cornwall should join other areas under Mayoral control if we are to get devolved powers and funding, which is not proving popular.
13. I still have a small amount of Community Chest funding available for local organizations.
14. The project to reopen Talland toilets is ongoing, we are awaiting estimates before we can apply for a grant.

002/25 Closed Session

Apologies for Absence – Councillor White, PCSO S Cocks

003/25 Members' Matters

Declarations of Interest – Nil

004/25 Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 December 2024

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 9 December 2024 which were confirmed as a true and correct record.

005/25 Matters Arising from Last Meeting's Minutes (not addressed in the agenda)

None

006/25 Finance

It was resolved to approve the financial statements that had been circulated including expenditure totalling £40909.11

007/25 Planning Applications

Applications

- PA24/07689 Old School House The Coombes Polperro Change of use from house back to part of Polperro Village Hall

Approved

- PA24/08321 Penhallow On Brent Talland Hill Modifications to dwelling house including single storey extensions and construction of balcony, reinstatement of previous use of detached annexe as holiday let.
- PA24/07900 Palm Court Langreek Road Reserved Matters application following Outline approval PA19/10118 dated 26th March 2020 for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale with variation of condition 1 in respect of decision PA22/03028 dated 05.10.2022
- PA24/05375 Land South Of The Stable West Kellow Farm Conversion of barn to holiday letting unit

008/25 Reports

None

009/25 Public Toilets update

- The Fishnabridge toilets have now had a submeter and trip switch fitted. Clerk to bill Biffa for their usage.
- Both toilets are awaiting for various works to be completed. It was agreed to organise deep cleaning for both toilets.
- It was agreed that the Parish Clerk sign the EA permit on behalf of the Council for work in connection with a septic tank for Talland Toilets.

010/25 Village Hall Management Working Group update:-

- Councillor French introduced Pat Hayday who is the newly elected chair of the VH CIO. Councillor French explained that he and PH have had several meetings to map out how the CIO and the PCC could best work together in delivering what both organisations want, which is the community using and enjoying the VH to the maximum extent possible. In order to achieve this a closer working relationship between the PCC and CIO is required in order to identify and prioritise a schedule of works (e.g. toilet refurbishment, kitchen relocation, house refurbishment etc) and secure sources of funds to achieve this. The various agreements between the PCC, the CIO and permanent users of the VH need to be updated and in some cases created, including but not limited to sub-let agreements with key users, a new long term lease to reflect future responsibility splits and enable grant applications and to regularise changes made to the VH by various organisations. To this end Councillor French agreed to organise a meeting with 3-4 members each of the PCC and the CIO to document an agreed way forward and bring this back to the PCC.
- Councillor Candy confirmed that the village hall could apply for funding through the Community Chest Fund.
- It was confirmed the gym window is the responsibility of the village hall.

011/25 Big Green update:-

- The Big Green refurbishment is still ongoing and a handover meeting has been planned for February. Councillors requested that a further site meeting take place before the handover to review the work and discuss the replacement light columns. A site meeting is to be held with representatives of the Festival and Christmas light switch on committees to agree a location for the benches.

012/25 Telephone box painting Lansallos

Looe Shedders had been asked and a response is awaited.

013/25 Signs Porthallow £1500

Councillors agreed that due to the high cost it was not something they felt was value for money to proceed with.

014/25 Works contracts

It was agreed to ask for two year tenders.

015/25 Co-option of Councillor

It was agreed to invite interested parties to the next meeting.

016/25 Correspondence for action

- It was resolved to support the “Motion of no confidence in Cornwall Council's planning and enforcement department” from Marazion Town Council.
- Parks in there every night
- It was agreed to follow up on the bus shelter cleaning contract.
- There are blocked drains opposite the Coastguard cottages and a tree has gone down.

017/25 Clerks Report

Nothing to report.

018/25 Any Other Business – For Report Only - The Council cannot lawfully make financial decisions on items 1 discussed under this heading. This heading is for reporting items of interest only.

None

019/25 Correspondence for information

- Can you attend a NHS 10 year plan engagement event?
- Local Council briefing: Planning Reform, revised NPPF and the Call for Sites - Weds 29 January 2025, 4.00-5.15 pm
- South East Cornwall Community Area Partnership
- National Highways: A38 Saltash Tunnel – date confirmed for start of overnight closures
- National planning changes and Neighbourhood Plans
- Kilminorth Klipping
- Year 4 SPF news
- Climate change and nature recovery network - Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Nature Recovery Strategy
- Urgent consultation on NI & Living wage changes
- Updates from National Highways and Tamar Crossings
- Off Street Parking Order- 2025
- Town and Parish Council Newsletter: 13 December 2024

020/25 Time, Date and Venue of Next Meeting – 7.00pm on Monday 17 February 2025 in the Village Hall

Signed Date