

7th April 2017

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENNEN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE CHURCHTOWN VILLAGE HALL, SENNEN ON FRIDAY 7TH APRIL 2017 AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT

Councillors A Thomas (Chairman), A Tonkin, D Angove, M Gwennap, A Semmens, Ms V O'Neill and C Angove.

ALSO PRESENT

Mr Derek Thomas MP, Councillor Bill Maddern, Mrs A Male (Clerk) and four members of the public.

17-166 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors P Shannon.

17-167 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Ms V O'Neill declared an interest Planning Application Nos PA17/02116 and PA17/01604.

17-168 DISPENSATION APPLICATIONS

No applications had been received.

17-169 INFORMATION AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No members of the public wished to speak.

17-170 DEREK THOMAS MP

Derek Thomas MP introduced himself and told councillors that he was working his way around the parishes to speak with councillors. He said that he admired Parish Councillors, especially meeting on a Friday evening, and that people did not realise the extra work that had been sent their way. He informed members that he was suggesting that parishes brought three issues to him with which they needed help. For example, on Lizard he was helping Landewednack Parish Council with the matter of relocating the Post Office. He pointed out that Parish Council's did not always have the resources so he might be able to help with that. The councillors said that the toilets were the obvious priority because progress was so slow, taking a lot of time and money from other matters in the parish. Derek Thomas told councillors that he was aware of the issue and would be attending the meeting on 12th May as an observer and that they could come back to him with any other worries.

17-171 REPORT FROM DIVISIONAL MEMBER

Councillor Maddern told councillors that the issue of the toilets was progressing and that he was trying to get a lot going behind the scenes so that he could come to the meeting with a deal.

17-172 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd March 2017 having been circulated, it was resolved that they should be signed as a true and correct record.

17-173 POLICE INFORMATION

During January 2017 two crimes had been reported. Both crimes were 'violence or sexual offences' and in both cases a suspect had been identified but police were unable to prosecute. One occurred at Horizon Fields and the second somewhere in the area opposite SeaView Holiday Park.

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17-174 PLAYGROUND

Councillor C Angove reported that, now that the weather was better, he would be able to take the barrel off the climbing frame for renovation. Members were informed that the rubbish bin had been removed so there was now a lot of rubbish left around. A question of whose responsibility it would be to pick up the rubbish and the general feeling was that it should be shared equally but that the school should keep an eye on it during term time. There was a suggestion that this should be discussed with the headteacher when he returned with the ideas about the trim trail but the Chairman offered to speak to the headteacher.

17-175 PLANNING

- **Plans**

- PA17/02116 – Heritage Attractions - Change of Use from Artist's Studio to create four 5 star bedrooms with en-suites to be managed by adjacent hotel at Penwith House, Sennen. It was agreed not to offer any objections.
- PA17/01914 – Mr and Mrs Hann - New garage attached to the West elevation of the existing house at San Rocco, Sennen Cove. It was agreed not to offer any objections.
- PA17/01604 – Mr Terry O’Neill - Conversion and extension of barn to form dwelling at Land NW Of Cape Cornwall, Treeve, Sennen. It was agreed not to offer any objections.
- PA17/1988 & PA17/01989 – Mrs Frances Hosking – (Listed Building Consent for) proposed toilet and wash hand basin facilities in existing ground floor room at Penrose Farm, Sennen. It was agreed not to offer any objections.
- PA17/02144 – Mr and Mrs Smart - Change of use to separate businesses. Creation of living accommodation for fish and chip shop and surf school including balcony to front and extension to rear at Whitesand Bay, Sennen Cove. It was agreed not to object to the application in principle but to comment on the lack of parking provided for the living accommodation.

- **Decisions and Appeals**

- A list of decisions was read out. A discussion followed about the approval of application PA17/00207 at Escalls.

17-176 FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS

- It was requested that the grass opposite the old Post Office be cut by Michael Lugg. It was pointed out that he does not usually carry out this task so the clerk was asked to check with him. It was agreed to add on the verge on the junction at Trevescan.
- Members were informed that care of the verge close to Ser Pren had been handed over to Sennen School. There was some uncertainty about this arrangement so Councillor D Angove offered to speak to the landowner.
- It was reported that the cycle path opposite Marias Lane required trimming. Councillors were told that some of the cycle path towards Lands End had been trimmed by volunteers.
- The path to Sunny Corner Lane had not been completed. Councillor A Semmens would deal with this matter.
- It was agreed to ask Andrew Marment to start the weed spraying by the end of May and to ask him for a price to maintain the weeds. It was also agreed to ask him for a price for lopping that hawthorn along Sunny Corner Lane.
- Cornwall Council had offered a grant of £1837.68 under the Local Maintenance Partnership to trim the footpaths during 2017/18. It was agreed to accept this offer.

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17-177 FINANCE

- Payments totalling £2773.59 from the Parish Council account and £120.00 from the Burial Committee account were agreed.

17-178 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- West Penwith Community Network Panel, Thursday 16th March 2017 – The Chairman had attended this meeting and reported that it was mainly about policing; the number of PCSO's was to be reduced from three hundred and ninety to one hundred and fifty. Councillor Jim McKenna (CC) was to draft a letter to go to the Chief Constable and the Police Crime Commissioner.
- West Penwith Methodist Circuit re Escalls Burial Ground – Sandra Gunderson had written to have confirmed that Sennen Parish Council did not own the burial ground. This was confirmed and the clerk was asked, when replying, to ask whether they would like to take on the maintenance.
- Cornwall AONB Annual Conference, Saturday 20th May 2017 – Further information had been sent. The Chairman might attend.

17-179 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

There were no additional matters to be included.

17-180 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the date of the next meeting would be Friday 12th May 2017 in Churchtown Village Hall.

17-181 SENNEN CAR PARK TOILETS

- Councillors were informed that Cornwall Council, having asked to be at this meeting, had been unable to attend but had agreed to come to the meeting in May.
- One of the toilets was blocked in the ladies' block and the cleaner had done a temporary repair to the flush of the middle cubicle in the multi-user. It was agreed to ask Simon Hollywood to repair the flush properly and then leave all other work until after the meeting with Cornwall Council in May.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

Chairman
12th May 2017