

**Minutes of the Meeting of St Pinnock Parish Council held on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in the Canon Chapel Room at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Cllrs. Miss C Spear (Chairman), H Knapman, Mrs J Philp, G Pearse, G Crabb, D Mills, D Stevens.

**Also attending:** Mrs J Hoskin (Parish Clerk)  
Cllr P Seeva (Cornwall Council)  
Cllr C Boney (St Keyne Parish Council)  
Two members of the public

**1..Public Session:** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited guests to address the council if they so wished.

Cllr Boney on behalf of St Keyne Parish Council spoke about their research into neighbourhood plans and whether or not neighbouring parishes would consider joining with them. Cllr Boney asked if St Pinnock was having the same discussions. Dobwalls and Trewidland were geographically joined to St Keyne but their Parish Council had initially decided to keep their plan to the parish boundary, although the new steering group may wish to reconsider this. Cllr Boney had attended to ask St Pinnock to give some thought into a joint plan with St Keyne despite his council deciding to defer any further discussions until after the forthcoming elections in May 2017.

Cllr P Seeva updated the meeting on Cornwall Council matters and the decision to recommend to the Boundary Commission that the number of Councillors be reduced to 99 from the 2021 elections. Cllr Seeva did not support the vote for the bid to make Truro the EU Capital of Culture but this was supported by the majority.

With the assistance of Cllrs C Spear and D Mills, Cllr Seeva had obtained a 30mph speed advisory sign for Esat Taphouse whilst the A38 traffic diversions were in place.

**2. Apologies** for absence were received from Cllr W Hoskin (Vice Chairman).

**3. Members Declarations of Interest:** Cllr G Crabb declared an interest on Agenda Item 8 – grass cutting contract and footpath maintenance work.

**4. Minutes:** The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Matters Arising:**

**Item 4 (11) Halsall Housing** – The opening in the hedge to assist with the construction work of the houses had still not been reinstated.

**Item 10- Highway Matters:** The road drains had not been cleaned and Cllr Seeva stated that Cormac had a long list of work to carry out, but would remind them of the situation.

**5. Accounts / Financial Matters –**

**a) To approve the payment of accounts as presented:** The Council approved the payment of accounts as listed on the finance report.

**b) Appointment of Auditor for the 2016/2017 financial year:** The Clerk notified the Council that a new auditor had to be appointed owing to Mr Abraham (South & West Internal Audit) being unable to continue working for health reasons. The Clerk will research the availability of auditors and it was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

## **6. Planning Applications / Planning Matters:**

**PA17/00754 Mr Christopher Thompson, Barn at Conon Farm, East Taphouse – Re-submission of Application No. PA15/12105 dated 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016 for the change of use of redundant agricultural barn to dwelling with installation of septic tank.**

The Parish Council support this application.

**PA17/00836 Mr Kevin Barnes, Roundabout, East Taphouse -**

**Change of use from garage / store room to holiday accommodation unit.**

The Parish Council agreed they could not support this retrospective application and made reference to the refusal notice dated 29<sup>th</sup> September 2015 for application PA15/06215.

**Developments at Puckator:** It was agreed that the Clerk contacts Puckator to ask if Councillors could visit the site to establish what further developments are being planned and look at the situation regarding the existing works. Cllrs. C Spear and D Mills offered to attend.

**7. Playing Field, East Taphouse:** The Outdoor Play People had visited the playing field on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017 although not at the time arranged. Cllr G Crabb had spoken to the company and explained the work required to move the basketball equipment. The Clerk will obtain a report / quotation.

**8. Grass cutting contract and footpath maintenance work:** Councillors were happy with the current grass cutting and footpath maintenance arrangement but having discussed the contracts it was agreed that the work be advertised. Cllr G Crabb declared an interest and abstained.

## **9. Correspondence:**

- **Cornwall Council** – Local Maintenance Contract for 2017.

## **10. Highway Matters to be reported to Cormac:** It was reported / noted, that:-

- The vehicle activated sign (reported under Item 1 of this meeting) made an impact on the traffic speed and Cllr P Seeva would investigate the possibility of a permanent sign. The community speed watch team had visited.
- The safety risk for drivers using the junction from Trevelmond onto the A390 had now increased owing to the amount of traffic being diverted off the A38.
- The white wooden directional sign at Bethel Chapel was in need of repair and this was something maybe the Parish Council needed to do if Cormac were unable to fund the work.
- The bridge at Poddifer had not been repaired.
- The concrete bridge along the road from Trevillis to Firlands was now unsuitable for vehicles to use.
- The granite boundary stone on the A390 opposite the B3359 Lanreath junctions had gone missing.

## **11. Parish Matters to discuss / report:**

- **Provision of a Parish Council website – update from Clerk:** The website was now up and running and an application to support the funding for this had been submitted by the Clerk to CALC.
- **Liskeard Have Your Say Meeting :** No meetings held.
- **Neighbourhood Plan – to consider producing a plan:** Agreed to defer a decision until after the May 2017 elections. However, the Council were happy to hold further talks with St Keyne on a joint plan and Cllr D Mills was looking into the aspects of producing this document. Also discussed under Item 1 of this meeting.

- **Liskeard Community Network Meeting:** No meetings held.
- **Provision of a defibrillator – St Pinnock Community Hall:** A meeting and demonstration by FLEET had been organised by Cllr D Mills and would take place in the Hall on Tuesday, the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017 at 7.30pm. Leaflets were being delivered to local residents publicising the event. Cllr D Stevens would distribute leaflets around Trevelmond. Cllr D Mills reported that local firm Puckator were happy to make a donation towards the costs should the project go ahead. It was also noted that a local resident had decided to fund raise for a defibrillator.

**12. Any other Business /Items for the next Agenda:** No matters reported.

**13. Date of next Meeting :** Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

**14. To close the Meeting:** There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Dated: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Signed: