

SOUTH PETHERWIN PARISH COUNCIL: PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of South Petherwin Parish Council held on 12th July 2017 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: P Parsons (Chairman), Cllrs D Rogers, P Fox (acting Clerk), A Finnimore, M Screech.

Representations from the public:

There was a representation from some residents of Trebursye regarding Planning Application PA17/04965. It was re-stated that there were concerns regarding highways access, highways safety, safety to neighbouring properties, and of a possible negative impact to an established provider of care. A statement of numerous objections was read to the Council was read out by Janice Everley, a director of the owners of Penbowder House.

There was also representation from Daws house regarding the concerns to the traffic constantly breaking the 30 MPH speed limit. They were keen to be updated on any progress the Parish Council had made on this issue.

Cllr Parsons updated everyone on how matters were progressing, stating that measures had been requested by the Parish Council of the Cornwall Council Highways Department that would involve installing covert speed measuring equipment that would form the basis of evidence gathering, which is a requirement for any traffic calming measures to be considered. He also stated that the process of reaching a point where a traffic calming plan could be formulated by the Cornwall Council Highways Department would take many months due to the requests on them by many Parish Councils in a similar position to ours, and the processes that had to be followed.

A general discussion followed on whether, in the interim, any other solutions could be deployed, and amongst those put forward was investigating the use of a volunteer scheme to use a hand held speed gun, in conjunction with the local Police station, and the possible deployment of dummy speed cameras in residents' private property.

Regarding Planning Application PA17/05558, a statement provided by Jessica Crocker, was read out by the Acting Clerk, which stated the benefits to the local community that approval of this application would bring.

Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllrs C Powlesland, R Kneebone.

17/059 Declaration of Interests:

Cllr A Finnimore signed the Declaration of Interests register regarding the planning application PA17/05558.

17/071 Minutes: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 14th June 2017 were approved & signed. Proposed Cllr Rogers, seconded Cllr Finnimore.

17/072 Matters arising from the minutes not appearing elsewhere on the agenda.
None.

Signed:

17/073 Planning:

Applications Received:

PA17/04965 Change of use from dwelling house (class C3) to residential care home (class C2), for up to five residents. Location Beaumist, Trebursye Gardens, Trebursye, Launceston. Applicant Dunhall Property Ltd.

Decision

On July 10th Councillors Parsons, Rogers, and Fox attended a site visit to look at various issues that had been raised at the June meeting by various members of the public.

In conjunction with what was observed, information provided by the directors of Penbowder, and objections already raised by members of the Parish, after a discussion it was the decision of that Council that it could not support this planning application. The following communique was agreed by the Council for the Clerk to place as a comment on the Cornwall Council online Planning portal against this application:

“We are unable to support this application as there are a number of issues we are unable to resolve, such as highways access, safety of neighbouring properties and vulnerable adults.

Consideration should be given to the impact this application would have on an established provider of care and their clients, and neighbouring properties.

The council would like to point out that from information received there would be a civil issue with access.”

This statement was proposed by Cllr Rogers, seconded by Cllr Finnimore, and passed unanimously.

PA17/05147 Construction of 2 self-catering cottages within existing caravan site. Location – Winstead House Trecrogo, South Petherwin, Launceston PL15 7LQ.

Cllr Parsons stated that he had been contacted by the applicant who had offered to arrange a site visit for Councillors to help them assess the application. This was agreed by the Council as a good idea, and Cllr Parsons would contact the applicant to agree a time and date for the visit.

This was proposed by Cllr Parsons, seconded by Cllr Finnimore, and passed unanimously.

The Clerk was requested to inform the Cornwall Council Planning officer of the reason for a delay in making a decision.

PA17/05558 Extension to existing commercial building. Location – Land south east of Papillion South Petherwin Launceston PL15 7EZ.

Cllr Finnimore left the room due to a declared interest.

After a brief discussion, the Council agreed to give its support to the application.

Proposed by Cllr Parsons, seconded by Cllr Screech, and passed unanimously.

Cllr Finnimore was called back into the meeting.

PA17/05091 Non material amendment for change of use to the proposed external finish of the property from stone to full cement/similar render, painted and change to the material of the proposed guttering from cast iron to black uPVC.

Location – Appletree Cottage South Petherwin Launceston PL15 7JT.

As this amendment did not require a comment from the Council, none was made.

Pre-applications: None

Decisions: **PA17/03897** Gardners Cottage Tremeale South Petherwin Launceston. Cornwall Council have approved.

Appeals: None.

17/074 Finance

Bank Statement	Actual	
Current Account	Balance 1st July 2017	£ 11,868.39
Savings Account		£ 1,059.54
Total Balance		£ 12,927.93

Invoices due for payment

A Peerless cleaning June	£ 56.00
Cornish & Devon Post (second advert)	£ 71.52
EDF	£ 33.87
Annual shed rental from South Petherwin Parochial Church Council	£ 50.00
Notice board from Southwest Timber	£ 295.00

For all invoices due for payment, approval was proposed by Cllr Screech, seconded by Cllr Finnimore, passed unanimously.

17/075 Employment Committee. This item was moved to the end of the agenda. Proposed Cllr Parsons, seconded Cllr Rogers. Minutes will be issued separately.

17/076 Highways & Footpath Matters

- 1. Daw's House.** Update on vehicles speeding through the 30 mph limit already given.
- 2. Daw's House SpeedVisor** Update already given.
- 3. Daw's House Speed Warning sign.** Reported, no update.
- 4. Overgrown trees** on bank on B3254 near Pennygillam roundabout. No update available.

An action was placed upon the Clerk to send an E.Mail to Oliver Jones (Cornwall Council Highways Dept.) thanking him for cutting the overgrown grass verge in Trebursye.

An action was placed upon the Clerk to send an E.Mail to Oliver Jones (Cornwall Council Highways Dept.) to inform him that the road surface in Tregaller close needs resurfacing.

Signed:

17/077 Current & Ongoing Business

1. Noticeboards. Replacement of remaining boards.

Cllr Parsons asked if the notice board by the school should be replaced. This was agreed. No motion was required as this had been approved at a previous Parish Council meeting.

An action was placed against the Clerk to contact the supplier to arrange for a new notice board to replace the board by the school, and to ask for a weather strip to be fitted to the doors on the recently installed board, to prevent rain ingress.

2. Standing Orders. Cllr Rogers needs to add a small but important section. This will be presented at the next meeting.

3. Public conveniences water leak. Nothing to report since the June meeting.

4. Toilet sign on shelter. Still ongoing. It was also mentioned that the cleaner had reported that the toilet itself was broken and should be replaced. Cllr Rogers proposed that a new toilet should replace the broken one. Seconded by Cllr Finnimore, and supported unanimously.

5. Councillors Register of Interest Forms. Cllr Finnimore said he wasn't sure if the Clerk had a copy of his forms. The Clerk will check, and if a copy has not been lodged, a copy will be obtained.

6. Code of Conduct training. This was undertaken by Councillors Rogers, Powlesland, Parsons, and Fox, at Liskeard, on May 25th.

7. New St Piran's Flag. Cllr Fox has looked to see which company is the best to buy from, and will E.Mail his recommendations to the rest of the Council.

8. Councillors Contact Details. It was agreed that E.Mail addresses should be published on the Parish website and in the Parish magazine. Cllr Fox will look into the feasibility of obtaining individual E.Mail addresses for all the Councillors, using the address @southpetherwinpc.org and will report back.

9. Planning Protocols. Carried over to next meeting.

10. Finance Regulations. Carried over to next meeting.

11. Co-Option of Councillors. This is still in progress. The Clerk has put notices on all three Parish noticeboards announcing that there are vacancies for Councillors to be co-opted.

17/078 New business:

- 1. Church Clock Restoration £500.** This donation is factored in to the current Parish Council budget as an agreed donation. After a discussion on grant funding, it was moved that the Council donates £500 to the Clock Restoration Fund upon receipt of an invoice. This was proposed by Cllr Parsons, seconded by Cllr Screech, and was passed unanimously.

17/079 Cornwall Councillor's Report. Councillor Neil Burden gave an update on the Cornwall Council and issues affecting South Petherwin Parish. He mentioned the proposed changes to the number of Cornwall Councillors, and stated that this could cause issues, considering that of those councillors elected around 20% don't engage with the Council. He also mentioned that parish boundaries will change in 2021.

The hospital consultation is not coming out until November 1st. Network will have a senior officer elected to it.

It is still the intention to build 1,000 houses, and a company will be formed to deliver this.

17/080 Correspondence

A Rest Centre Training – this will be dealt with at the next meeting.

17/081

Urgent items: None.

Items of Information:

(17/075)

- 1.** The council now moved into confidential mode to discuss the vacant position of the Clerk. This was proposed by Cllr Parsons, seconded by Cllr Rogers, and passed unanimously.
- 2.** After the vacant Clerk position was discussed the Council moved back to open mode. This was proposed by Cllr Rogers, seconded by Cllr Finnimore, and passed unanimously.

There being no other business the meeting ended at 21:55.

Next meeting will be on 9th August 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Signed: