

WITHIEL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN

THE WITHIEL VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY 2022 AT 7.00PM

Present	Cllr. Ms. J. Shearer (Chair) Cllr. Ms. A. Lake Cll. Ms. A. Hoyle 3 Members of Public	Mrs. J. Burdon (Parish Clerk) Cllr. R. Wilson	Cllr. S. Coy Cllr. Mrs. W. Symons Cwll. Cllr. Mrs. J. Cruse
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Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
21/22	Apologies:- Councillor M. Davies	
22/22	<p>Public Forum:- Three members of public in attendance.</p> <p>One member of the public wished to raise the state of road from the end of Lawellen Lane to Ruthernbridge, as it is extremely slippery and dangerous. About 5 years ago she had a horse go down due to this and she did report and nothing happened. Again recently this happened and had been reported again and nothing done to date. Chair reported she had done the same and reported. Chair reported there are four areas where there is no grit whatsoever. It was noted there is also another person who has recently had a similar incident. Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse requested the reference number of the call logged and she would follow up Action:- Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse.</p> <p>Another member of the public wanted to ascertain the facts regarding a site meeting held at Ruthernbridge and what progress had been made with a plan which she understood to be labelled the Withiel Transport Plan as this is what it had been called on the recent agenda. It was explained by Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse that the so called Withiel Transport Plan related to the possible erection of suitable signage to stop damage to local structures and that funding would be sought from the Highways Improvement Scheme. Withiel Parish Councillors will fill in the Expression of Interest forms as soon as possible, but Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse pointed out that the greatest expense would be the public consultation which would inevitably follow the application. The member of the public had been misled into believing that a public consultation had taken place on the bridge, which was inaccurate as the attendees were from Cornwall Council, Engineers from Cormac, Heritage England and local Parish Councils. The bridge meeting, which was discussed at the January meeting of the Parish Council, but organised in the intervening month, had been to try and ascertain the facts surrounding the damaged bridge and to make some suggestions as to the future, but was disrupted by uninvited members of the public. No action will be taken without public consultation, which will be widely publicised. The member of the public was concerned that she should have access to information about this matter including the application for funding and the Clerk, Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse and the Chair all reassured her that no decisions had been made and that all information would be recorded in the minutes as usual. Chair reported that over the last 2-3 meetings we have had members of the public attend in respect of signage and HGV concerns.</p>	Cwll. Cllr. Mrs. J. Cruse

There is quite a lot of support for having prohibitive signs. These signs relate to the part of the parish around Withiel Churchtown from Withiel Crossroads to Bosnieves as this is the main section we are applying for funding for. There is support to improve the bridge at Ruthernbridge, but this is about as far as we have got as a Parish. It was also pointed out that the bridge itself is in Lanivet Parish.

Another member of the public reported that a lot of time the problems are the farm machinery causing damage, especially on the bridge at Ruthernbridge, and she has witnessed this several times, although it was noted the milk lorry goes over every day.

Member of the public reported she is concerned the stakeholders in the area who have businesses who need HGV's would like to know what is on the expression of interests form being completed. Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse and the Chair have asked for businesses to try to ensure small lorries are used and not HGV's.

Chair reported that information is always put in the village newsletter (News and Views) and has been for the last 9 years and if people do not wish to read it, there is not a lot than can be done, Councillor R. Wilson agreed with this that reports are included in the News and Views and minutes on the website with information to discussions held.

Chair reported the money that is being applied for will mainly pay for the consultation and then it will go out to public consultation, it will not be run by the Parish Council but it will be run by Cornwall Council, it was noted the bridge is actually in Lanivet parish. We welcome members of the public to all of our monthly meetings, unfortunately some do not attend.

Meeting on the bridge at Ruthernbridge – Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse reported it was quite difficult as there were a lot of public in attendance. However, it was a good meeting. There was a suggestion of two oak posts, the idea is just to slow down traffic and not reduce the width of the bridge and on the other side, one oak post and draw a line, so it is fairly minimal, and it all depends on Heritage England agreeing to this, as it is a monument.

Chair advised the Parish Council will be open when the public consultation comes about but wanted to stipulate it would not be Parish Council carrying it out, it will be Cornwall Council.

Councillor R. Wilson advised he would inform as many of the public as possible when the consultation is readily available.

Chair thanked the members of public for attending the meeting and welcomed them to remain for he duration of the meeting, however, as Public Forum was now over they could not participate in the meeting further.

23/22 **Monthly Cornwall Councillor Report:-** Apologies received and report circulated from Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse as follows:-

- Constitution and Governance – our areas was not involved so no change. Sarah Simms has been retained as our Community Network Officer, but we do not know as yet how the areas will be apportioned to Officers.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Climate Emergency DPD if approved by the Inspector will be a consideration in Local Planning decisions. • There is an ecological emergency agreed by Cornwall Council. • There are proposed increases of 1.9% on Council Tax and 1% for the Adult Social Care levy, although the Council do not finally vote on this until the 22nd February 2022. Cornwall Council are going to be responsible for a lot more funding of Adult Social Care. Going forward the Council has got to take on a lot more of this funding. £43m on adult care, critical emergency on NHS and Cornwall Council, a lot due to the amount of people unable to leave hospital due to no care available to look after them. • Surgery for Bodmin is going through and details will be going on Facebook. Link is currently not working but paper versions are available from the surgery. • Camel SAC – issued calculator and available for developers. Agricultural for storage can go through. • Parish Council use of mapping on the intranet – Parish Councils can apply to use the mapping, it is available if you go on the Cornwall Council Website and put in properties and drop down list, she would send a link to the Clerk Action: Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse. • Case Assist will be made available for Parish Clerks and details have been sent to the Clerk. • Omicron funding – Cornwall Council did not feel it was morally right to make payments to second home owners. If you are a second home owner or have a business you need to apply separately, it is not an automatic process. <p>Chair thanked Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse for her report this evening.</p>	Cwll. Cllr. Mrs. J. Cruse
24/22	Members Declaration of Interest on items raised on the Agenda/Requests for Dispensation:- None.	
25/22	Confirmation of Parish Minutes from the Main Meeting held on the 5th January 2022:- Resolved the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 5 th January 2022 as circulated were confirmed as a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chair (Proposed: Councillor S. Coy; Seconded: Councillor Ms. J. Shearer) Motion Carried	
26/22	Matters Arising from the Monthly Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5th January 2022:- No Matters Arising.	
27/22	Highway Issues in the Parish:- Chair reported the application form is now available for new signage and/or HGV's. Chair asked for assistance to complete with the Clerk. It was agreed to ask Councillor M. Davies to assist with the completion and circulate to all Councillors before submitting, along with Councillor S. Coy Action: Clerk, Councillors S. Coy and M. Davies/Chair. Councillor Mrs. W. Symons thanked Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse for assistance in reporting online the layby issue she reported, the response was very quick. Chair reported she recently reported something and by the next day it was being looked at, she was very impressed.	Clerk/ Cllrs. S. Coy/M. Davies/ Chair
28/22	Footpath Issues in the Parish:- Chair and Clerk reported we a response had been received from Chris Monks advising since the meeting on site they have lost yet another team member so are a little stretched. He would endeavour to get the materials to the Contractor as soon as possible Action: Keep Pending.	Clerk
29/22	Planning Applications received at the meeting and prior to the meeting; Planning Pre-Applications; Planning Results; Planning Correspondence; Any letters received for or against any Planning Applications:-	

	<p>Planning Applications:-</p> <p>PA21/11123 – Mr. Russ Cook – Proposed local needs dwelling, Land at Tremorebridge, Tremore Valley, Bodmin - Object – Whilst we understand the local need but this is not in line with Withiel Neighbourhood Development Plan or the Local Plan, outside defined settlement boundary of designated building areas, no wildlife report, biodiversity gain not discussed or climate emergency dpd, It is on a flood plain. It is not infill and outside the local plan. We note the comments from the Environment Agency regarding the flooding (Proposed: Councillor Ms. A. Hoyle; Seconded: Councillor Ms. J. Shearer) (Second proposal to support made by Councillor R. Wilson, which was not seconded, therefore, the objections were carried)</p> <p>PA21/08424 – Mr. P. Vincent – Removal of Condition 5 (agricultural occupancy) of Application No. E1/87/0720/OOP dated 6th July 1987 (Erection of agricultural dwelling at Trevidgeorge Farm, Withiel - Objecting to this seems futile but it is not in line with the Withiel Neighbourhood Development Plan (Proposed: Councillor S. Coy; Seconded: Councillor Ms. A. Lake)</p> <p>Planning Results:- None Received.</p> <p>Planning Correspondence:- None Received.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>												
30/22	<p>Monthly Accounts for Approval and Any Financial Matters (Including applications for Grants & Donations if received):- It was proposed that the Council approve the accounts as listed below for February 2022 as circulated on schedules (Proposed: Councillor S. Coy; Seconded: Councillor Ms. A. Hoyle)</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="204 1115 1358 1272"> <tr> <td>HSBC UK – Business Account</td> <td>£8.00</td> <td>Bank Charges</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Salaries and Expenses</td> <td>£221.76</td> <td>February 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC – Income Tax</td> <td>£50.20</td> <td>February 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cornwall Council</td> <td>£1,329.78</td> <td>May 2021 Election</td> </tr> </table>	HSBC UK – Business Account	£8.00	Bank Charges	Salaries and Expenses	£221.76	February 2022	HMRC – Income Tax	£50.20	February 2022	Cornwall Council	£1,329.78	May 2021 Election	Clerk
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31/22	<p>Queens Platinum Jubilee (Including Planting Trees and Wildflowers):- Councillor Ms. A. Lake reported she is quite a way through allocating the trees and wild flower seeds and has received a very good response.</p> <p>Councillor R. Wilson asked about beacons for the Jubilee. Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse reported Blisland are doing one on the moor with a tea party on the green and Cardinham are having a beacon on their moors. It does need to be on top of a hill. Chair asked whether Councillor Mrs. W. Symons may be interested in arranging something. Councillor Mrs. W. Symons believes it needs to be included in the News and Views, Facebook page, noticeboard to ask people’s opinions, perhaps a questionnaire to see what they would like to see, i.e. cream tea party, street party, etc, either in the hall or outside, perhaps with a band Action: Councillor Mrs. W. Symons to put together a poster asking for opinions and ideas (Proposed: Councillor R. Wilson; Seconded: Councillor Ms. A. Lake)</p>	Cllr. Mrs. W. Symons												
32/22	<p>Update on Withiel Parish Council Website:- Councillor S. Coy reported on the Parish Council Website and the two quotations received and comparisons. Chair thanked Councillor S. Coy for following this up and putting all the work in that he has. She does not understand why Cornwall Council do not have an umbrella for this type of thing, which is a shame.</p>													

	<p>Councillor S. Coy advised he would be happy to deal with the day to day runnings and uploading of the Website whilst he is a Parish Council and would liaise with the Chair and Clerk.</p> <p>It was resolved to appoint Lylaani Dixon (Proposed: Councillor Ms. J. Shearer; Seconded: Councillor Ms. A. Lake) Action: Councillor S. Coy.</p> <p>Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Cruse left the meeting at 8.30pm.</p> <p>Councillor S. Coy queried the length of meetings and the cut off point.</p>	Cllr. S. Coy
33/22	Bodmin Community Network Meeting Update, including Police Report:- Chair reported she had help set the agenda for their next meeting regarding highways and the Recycling Centre.	
34/22	Climate Action Group Meeting:- Councillor Ms. A. Lake reported a third of the trees have now been allocated for planting.	
35/22	Neighbourhood Watch Scheme:- No Update.	
36/22	Withiel Emergency Plan:- No Update.	
37/22	Parish Councillor Training Requirements:- No updates.	
38/22	<p>Correspondence – Clerk listed correspondence and actions required:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CALC – Training Update – January/February 2022 2. Great Western Railway – Temporary Timetable Update 3. CALC – The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Beacons – 2nd June 2022 4. Cornwall Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty – Job Opportunities and Training Courses 5. Cornwall Council – Town & Parish Council Newsletter – 14th January 2022 6. Bodmin Police Station – January Newsletter 7. Great Western Railway – Rockfall Shelter Work at Dawlish, Impact on Night Riviera Sleeper 8. CALC – Planning Training 9. CALC – AGM – Tuesday 8th March 2022 at 7.00pm in the Community Centre, St. Erme, Near Truro 10. Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner - £170,000 grant fund to help communities fight drugs scourge launched by Commissioner 11. Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner – Devon & Cornwall Police and Crime Panel Meeting – Friday 28th January 2022 – 10.30am 12. Cornwall Council – Planning News for Local Councils & Agents – January 2022 13. Great Western Railway – Temporary Timetable Update 14. Cornwall Council – Start of public consultation on Community Governance Review deferred proposals 15. Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner – How well do you know the New Highway Code? 16. Alan Percy – Discrimination in Affordable Housing allocation definitions 17. Sovereign Play – Parish Council Recreation Areas 18. Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner – Project Wingspan 19. Alan Percy – Lack of enforcement, failure to collect Section 106 funding, lack of reply 	
39/22	Any Urgent Matters the Chair considers relevant for this meeting:- None.	

40/22	Date of next Meeting and Meetings for 2020:- Next meeting to be held on Wednesday 2 nd March 2022 at 7.00pm in the Withiel Village Hall. All other Meetings to be confirmed as the Wednesday 6 th April, 4 th May, 1 st June, 6 th July, 3 rd August, 7 th September, 5 th October, 2 nd November, 7 th December 2022. There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.40pm	
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Signature:

Chair

Date: 2nd March 2022