



# Grampound with Creed Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, ON

19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2014 @ 7pm



Present: Cllr. Jenkins (Chairman)                      Cllr. Ms Chapman                      Cllr. Freer  
 Cllr. Miss James                                      Cllr. Paynter                              Cllr. Taylor  
 Cllr. Mrs Tyler                                        Cllr. Wootton                              Mrs Thompson (Clerk)  
 County Cllr. Egerton

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Public Forum</u> – the Chairman welcomed those present, with a particularly warm welcome to Ms Amy Walker, Fuel Poverty Projects Manager, Community Energy Plus. Cllr. Jenkins explained there is a Wind Turbine Community Benefit Fund and Members wondered if there is a way for fuel poverty residents to 'tap' into this Fund.</p> <p>Ms Walker gave a brief outline of her role and the organisation she works for. Each community is different. Her job is funded from Lottery Funding. She can help individuals to access funding to assist those in most need. There is a lot of misinformation and many people do not understand their fuel bills. Many are not heating their homes, or living in one room. Lack of heating can lead to health problems, etc.</p> <p>People who can afford it can volunteer to forego the annual Winter Fuel Payment, which can then be made available to the more vulnerable.</p> <p>Ms Walker explained the Community Fund could be used to provide one-off payments to individual households. Grants may be available to match-fund any funds we make available.</p> <p>She said basically we can do what we want. It is a matter of doing what is right for our community. Her organisation is a source of information and support.</p> <p>Cllr. Chapman asked how vulnerable households can be identified. Ms Walker said 'Transition Groups' are a useful start, or door-to-door interviews. She could help to organise a 'coffee morning' to try, for example. Better still tie such an event into an existing event, e.g. monthly markets.</p> <p>Members then met with Messrs. Keith Jones and Bill Netting, representatives of The Tannery Residents' Association.</p> <p>Mr Jones referred to his earlier email (previously circulated). There is now a Residents' Association who will take over from Linden Homes when they quit the site at the end of July 2014. A site meeting had been held with representatives from the PC and local residents had since been canvassed. Everybody is in support of the PC acquiring the (s.106) open space and of the lime pits.</p> <p>Scrap metal on the site is to be used to make a statue.</p> <p>Mr Jones advised there is a proposal to have a representative of the PC and Ocean Housing on the Residents' Association Committee.</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkins circulated an embossing press using artwork of the historic borough seal of Grampound, donated by past/current Chairs of the PC (Messrs W. Croggon, P. Hardaker, D. Jenkins, M. Tetley and A. Webb) and a letter to be signed by all Members thanking Dr Round for his service to the community.</p>	
81/2014	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> – Cllr. Baines (ill health).	
82/2014	<u>Members' Declarations</u> –	

	<p>a. <i>Pecuniary/Registerable Declarations of Interests</i> – none. Cllr. Jenkins said he had attended the Code of Conduct training and it is now necessary for Trade Union membership to be declared as a Registerable interest.</p> <p>b. <i>Non-Pecuniary/Disclosable Interests</i> – Cllrs. Taylor and Wootton on 85d/2014 as Trustees of the Community Shop.</p> <p>c. <i>Declaration of Gifts</i> – Members were reminded they must declare any gift or hospitality with a value in excess of fifty pounds.</p> <p>d. <i>Dispensations</i> – no written requests for dispensations had been received.</p>	
83/2014	<u>Acceptance of Office</u> – Cllr. Chapman signed her Acceptance of Office form.	
84/2014	<p><u>Minutes of Meetings</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Annual Parish Council Meeting</i> – 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014, <b>AGREED</b> as a true record.</p> <p>b. <i>Full Council Meeting</i> – 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014, <b>AGREED</b> as a true record.</p> <p>c. <i>Planning Committee Meeting</i> – no meeting had been held.</p>	
85/2014	<p><u>Outside Organisations</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Police</i> – PCSO Hemming sent his apologies and reported there had been just one crime since the last PC meeting. The crime related to a resident of Grampound receiving a number of unwanted threatening messages via the mobile telephone network. This is currently being investigated.</p> <p>b. <i>County Councillor</i> – Cllr. Egerton spoke to his written report (copy on file). He said the free school bus service to Roseland College from Grampound will continue this year, but it may be revisited next year.  Work is continuing on the Garlenick turbines. He reported that he had walked the Nantellan bridleway but couldn't see that any damage had been done in the construction of the wind turbines.</p> <p>c. <i>Village Hall Committee</i> – Cllr. Freer reported the Committee had reluctantly accepted the terms of the termination of CC's lease. A number of Shows had been cancelled because the companies hadn't been able to obtain funding.  Cllr. Taylor said they are trying to schedule the resurfacing of the car park for the end of August.  It was unanimously resolved to elect Cllr. Freer as the PC representative to serve on the New Hall and Recreation Ground Committee for 2014/15. AGM9/2014 refers. The Clerk to inform Mrs Sloan.</p> <p>d. <i>Community Shop</i> – Cllr. Wootton reported planning consent had been granted. The Hall Trustees are now in a position to agree a lease with the Community shop. A schedule for installing the portacabins and services had been drawn up. Once the units are in place, then attention can be turned to fitting out. The Committee are aiming for an Autumn opening.</p> <p>e. <i>Truro &amp; the Roseland Community Network Panel Meeting</i> – report of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> May: <a href="http://www.grampound.org.uk/?q=node/72">http://www.grampound.org.uk/?q=node/72</a>. Cllr. Jenkins reported it had become evident that a list of local business would be needed if future communication with local businesses is required. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2014.</p>	Clerk
86/2014	<p><u>Planning Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Planning Committee</i> – the meeting scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 was inquorate, leaving two outstanding planning applications:</p> <p>i. <i>PA14/03698, Trecaine, Grampound</i> – proposed amendments to approved application no. PA12/07840 in relation to fenestration, roof form, rebuilding of existing defective walling and erection of garage and stables. Mr Martin Woodley, case officer advised the</p>	

	<p>determination deadline for the application was 19<sup>th</sup> June. He indicated the scheme seeks some revisions to the previously approved conversion project for Barn B so it is not really contentious and does not affect neighbours and the Conservation Officer had no problems with the changes.</p> <p>ii. <i>PA14/03823, The Hollies Stores, Fore Street, Grampound</i> – listed building consent for flue to be fitted through roof. <b>NO OBJECTION.</b></p> <p>b. <i>Parish Plan / Design Statement / Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)</i> – Minute 68b/2014 refers. Cllr. Taylor said he had received a number of comments on the revised version (previously circulated via email). He will collate responses and report to a later meeting.</p> <p>c. <i>Planning Applications Approved by CC</i> – information only.</p> <p>i. <i>PA14/00676, Dolphin Inn, Grampound</i> – formation of new access and construction of two detached dwelling houses and detached garage. Cllr. Taylor took no part in the discussion or voting.</p> <p>ii. <i>PA14/00925, Grampound Community Centre, Fore Street, Grampound</i> – temporary siting of portable buildings for Grampound village store and coffee shop.</p> <p>iii. <i>PA14/02741, Plot 60 The Tannery, Grampound</i> – for reinstatement of window to first floor south west elevation of plot 60.</p> <p>iv. <i>PA14/03063, Plot 60 The Tannery, Grampound</i> – listed building consent application for reinstatement of window to first floor south west elevation of plot 60.</p> <p>v. <i>PA14/03124, Pencoise Farm, Tregony</i> – construction of dwelling and detached garage (demolition of existing agricultural buildings and sub-standard dwelling). Resubmission of PA13/08122 withdrawn.</p> <p>d. <i>Planning Applications Withdrawn</i> – information only.</p> <p>i. <i>PA14/01017, Olde Walls, Fore Street, Grampound</i> – replace all 4 single-glazed sliding sash windows to front elevation with like-for-like (16 pane) wooden, sliding sash, double-glazed windows.</p> <p>e. <i>Barwick Farm, Cuby</i> – Members received a letter from Cuby PC (previously circulated via email) i.r.o. a proposed 2MW wind turbine at Barwick Farm, Cuby. Provisional date for the public exhibition is 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014. Cllr. Egerton explained this meeting is open to anyone to attend, he will confirm the date. The Clerk to inform Cuby.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr. Taylor</p> <p>Cllr. Egerton Clerk</p>
87/2014	<p><u>Highways Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Road Closure</i> – road from Grampound Hill to Junction West of Carwinnick, Road from Junction South of Penans to Bosillion Lane and B3287 between Fair Cross Cottage and District Boundary at Fair Cross; 25<sup>th</sup> June to 6<sup>th</sup> August 2014 (0730 to 1800 hours weekends included).</p>	
88/2014	<p><u>Environmental Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Amenity Land, The Tannery Development</i> – Minute 71a2014 refers. Covered by discussion in the Public Forum.</p> <p>b. Cllr. Jenkins spoke of the history of the small field. This formed part of the original s.106 agreement and was available on a 99 year lease. The landowner, Mr Jonathon Croggon, had subsequently offered the lime pits area on an almost identical 99 year lease. He explained the lease is not for discussion tonight, his proposal is to accept in principle the offer of a lease (the terms to be the subject of negotiation and brought back to Full Council for formal approval) for minimal rent on:</p> <p>i. <u>The Small Field</u> – Cllr. Paynter did not feel a 99 year lease could be viewed as ‘long-term’. He referred to other property in the village that had been gifted permanently. Cllr. Tyler said 99 years was the usual term for a lease nowadays. Voluntary help had been promised from the Tannery Residents Association. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept in broad principle the acquisition of a lease on the small field, with a</p>	

view to making it into an open space. Cllr. Paynter voted against the proposal because he felt it should be a gift and not a lease.

- ii. Lime Pits Area – Cllr. Egerton said the landowner had legal liability for this contaminated land. He was originally not in favour of the Parish Council taking on this responsibility. However, on reflection he did not believe the current owners would do anything with the site, which is a serious H&S issue. Were a child to gain access it could result in a serious incident. Cornwall Council wouldn't step in and he was now of the opinion that it was a duty of the Parish Council to make the site safe and to take on the long-term responsibility for it.

The Clerk expressed consternation that this was being given as a reason to take over the site. She had previously warned Members of the implications of a favourable decision to this proposal. She clarified the PC's insurance policy covers volunteers.

Cllr. Taylor felt the lease was too short and any improvements made to the site would mainly benefit the Croggon family heirs. He urged those negotiating the lease to obtain an undertaking from the landowner to contribute 50% of the costs of making the site safe. Cllr. Jenkins said he was confident that the £500 in the budget was sufficient to install a stock proof fence. He didn't believe the cost of infilling the pits would be too costly.

Cllr. Freer asked about the two sheds on the site. Initial thoughts were not to do anything with them, but to just clear the vegetation.

Cllr. Paynter said unlike Cllr. Egerton he had not changed his mind. He could not see one ounce of benefit to the community in acquiring the lime pits. As for the safety responsibility, he felt that lay fairly and squarely with the landowner.

Cllr. Tyler said the site was an important element of the history of Grampound. Cllr. Wootton said the Heritage Committee would be interested in raising funds to erect some form of information board.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept in broad principle the acquisition of a lease on the lime pits area, to be safely and economically fenced off with the already budgeted funds. The overgrowth to be reduced by a team of volunteers to afford a better view of the buildings and lime pits, the lime pits to be filled in with rubble, clear 'keep out' signs installed, and advice sought from Cornwall museums on what further developments may be feasible. The Council delegated further consideration to the Heritage Committee and asked them to bring forward a recommendation on signing a lease to a future Full Council meeting. Cllrs. Freer and Paynter voted against the proposal.

It was emphasised that the agreement is, at this stage, in principle only and that a more favourable lease should be sought. Members wished to pursue the potential of these opportunities but wanted to seek a final outcome that is more favourable to the community than that currently on offer.

- c. *Creed Burial Ground* – Minute 71c/2014 refers. It was confirmed that the Church of England needs planning permission for an extension.

Cllr. Jenkins had made a site visit with the Revd. Wade and a funeral director, to see how a burial in the new section would work logistically. He will make a report to a future meeting.

Cllr. Jenkins

Mr Micklewhite, PCC Treasurer had provided a breakdown of the cost of cutting the grass in Creed churchyard (Clerk's report refers). Cllr. Paynter pointed out that it was never intended to pay the whole cost of maintaining Creed churchyard.

- d. *Damaged Bridge* – Cllr. Egerton said he had walked the path and could not see the bridge over the stream, between Tregidgeo and Ventonwyn, had been damaged by the fallen tree. The problem had been reported to CC's Countryside Access Team. Clerk to discuss with Mr Brewer.

Clerk



