



# Grampound with Creed Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, ON

THURSDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014 @ 7.30pm



Present: Cllr. Jenkins (Chairman)                      Cllr. Baines                                      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 Chair welcomed those present.</p> <p>Ms Christine Læssing, Cormac Engineering Design Group addressed Members regarding a safe pedestrian crossing facility in Fore Street. The traffic element of the section 106 money allocated to the parish from the Tannery development was to investigate this possibility. This assessment had now taken place and the resulting pedestrian and vehicular movements together are not high enough to meet the national guidelines. She explained there is a danger that an underused crossing would be ignored by motorists. Should more pedestrian activity occur, this could be revisited, but the figures fall well below the qualifying number.</p> <p>Members were disappointed with this finding.</p> <p>Cllr. Paynter felt the money had been wasted as it was obvious from earlier surveys that the village would not qualify for a crossing. Cllr. Egerton explained that it had been included in the section 106 agreement after lobbying from the Parish Council.</p> <p>Ms Læssing was asked who set the qualifying figures. She explained CC had their own guidelines, based on national figures.</p> <p>Mrs Shirley Turner, spoke on behalf of herself and seven residents from the Tannery development. She provided a written report. The residents were objecting to the proliferation of wind turbines around the village and asked that Members carry their views forward to the appropriate forum. She said that by 2020 the requirement for these turbines would be withdrawn. Mrs Turner said the incentives associated with turbines are a short-term, short-sighted and short-changed 'bribe'.</p> <p>Mrs Turner said the wind turbine proposed by Mr Harvey John would be visible from two areas of Great Landscape Value – being 0.5k from the Fal Valley and 0.2k from Trenowth. Grampound lies in a Conservation Area and this turbine would tower above it. She urged Members to object to the application. The European Landscape Convention ratified by the government in 2007 seeks to protect the landscape of Cornwall. It needs to act urgently if it is to protect this area, in particular.</p> <p>She expressed disappointment that neither Linden Homes (the Tannery developer) nor the legal searches on the new properties identified the impending presence of the Garlenick Turbines, which were approved in 2011, before the Tannery development was started.</p>	
142/2014	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u> – Cllr. Chapman (work commitment). Cllr. Freer advised he had to leave early.</p>	
143/2014	<p><u>Members' Declarations</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Pecuniary/Registerable Declarations of Interests</i> – none.</p> <p>The Chairman reminded Members that anything on the agenda that affects themselves, family or friends should be declared and that Member</p>	

	<p>should leave the meeting when the item is discussed.</p> <p>b. <i>Non-Pecuniary/Disclosable Interests</i> – none.</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> – Cllr. Jenkins was granted a dispensation i.r.o. a planning application (PA14/10595) to be considered at the December planning meeting.</p>	
144/2014	<p><u>Minutes of Meetings</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Full Council Meeting</i> – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2014, <b>AGREED</b> as a true record.</p> <p>b. <i>Heritage Committee Meeting</i> – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2014, <b>AGREED</b> as a true record. Cllr. Tyler reported Mrs Jane Sloan had resigned as Secretary to the HC. More volunteers are needed.</p>	
145/2014	<p><u>Outside Organisations</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Police</i> – PCSO Hemming sent his apologies and a written report (copy on file).</p> <p>b. <i>County Councillor</i> – see also 148e/2014 below. Cllr. Egerton spoke to his written report (copy on file). Western Greyhound is experiencing difficulties and is expected to go into receivership. This could mean that Grampound will lose its evening and Sunday services.</p> <p>There had been some issues with rubbish collection. Any problems could be reported to Cllr. Egerton.</p> <p>c. <i>Village Hall Committee</i> – Cllr. Freer reported:</p> <p>i. <u>Broadband</u> – Cllr. Taylor reported the broadband line had been installed to the hall, but quotes for the installation of the actual broadband had yet to be obtained (Minute 129c/2014 refers).</p> <p>ii. <u>Village Party</u> – Cllr. Freer said this was well attended.</p> <p>iii. <u>Committee</u> – several new committee members had been elected.</p> <p>iv. <u>Play Equipment</u> – Minute 129c/2014 refers. The Clerk pointed out that the quotations may not comply with the PC's Standing Orders. Cllr. Paynter said that control of the finances should rest with the PC. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to delegate Cllrs. Freer, Taylor and Paynter to scrutinise the quotations and if satisfied to submit an application for the section 106 funding through County Cllr. Egerton.</p> <p>It was further <b>RESOLVED</b> that once the equipment had been installed, it would be gifted to the Village Hall Committee.</p> <p>d. <i>Community Shop</i> – Cllr. Wootton reported the shop is now open. Early signs are that turnover is good. More volunteers are needed. A further funding application to the PC for capital items will be made shortly. Cllr. Wootton and the Management Team were congratulated on their achievement. It was <b>AGREED</b> to delete this from future agendas.</p> <p>e. <i>Truro &amp; the Roseland Community Network Panel Meeting</i> – Cllr. Jenkins was unable to attend the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2014.</p>	<p>Cllrs. Freer / Taylor / Paynter</p> <p>Clerk</p>
146/2014	<p><u>Planning Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Planning Committee</i> – no meeting was held.</p> <p>b. <i>Online Planning Applications</i> – Minute PL36/2014 refers. Cllr. Baines reported he had not had the opportunity to carry out a trial to download and display planning applications from the Planning Portal.</p> <p>c. <i>Wind Turbines</i> –</p> <p>i. Members considered their position on wind turbines in general, including the possibility of one at Penbetha and the Cornwall Council turbines. It was <b>AGREED</b> the Clerk would write a report for the Grampound Times outlining the PC's responses to the various</p>	<p>Cllr. Baines</p>

	<p>wind turbine applications.</p> <p>ii. <i>PA10/07318, PA11/02693, PA12/09852, Garlenick Manor, Grampound</i> – Minutes 156/2010, 79b/2011 and 165b/2012 refers. Members to consider an email from a Tannery resident (previously circulated) concerned about these wind turbines. Covered by [i].</p> <p>iii. <i>Penbetha, Grampound</i> – the Clerk to obtain a hard copy of this application for wind turbines and refer it to the Planning Committee.</p> <p>d. <i>CC Local Plan</i> – consultation on St Austell Retail Strategy options. <a href="http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/planning/planning-policy/cornwall-local-plan/development-plan-documents/allocations-development-plan-document/">http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/planning/planning-policy/cornwall-local-plan/development-plan-documents/allocations-development-plan-document/</a> Closing date 19<sup>th</sup> December 2014.</p> <p>e. <i>Cornwall Council Homelessness Strategy Review</i> – consultation runs from 27<sup>th</sup> October 2014 to 16<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Further details can be found at: <a href="http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/housing/housing-options/homelessness-review/">http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/housing/housing-options/homelessness-review/</a></p> <p>f. <i>St Mewan Neighbourhood Development Plan</i> – Members declined to send a representative to a meeting of neighbouring parish councils. The Clerk to advise St Mewan and suggest that the Community Network Panel is a more appropriate forum.</p> <p>g. <i>EN14/01770, Pencoise Farm, Tregony</i> – alleged breach of enforcement notice – still 2 caravans on the land, the shipping container and the sheds are still on site. Mr Blackie was invited to speak and spoke to the background. The Clerk had requested an update from CC.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
147/2014	<p><u>Highways Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>20mph Proposal for Fore Street</i> – Minute 131a/2013 refers. Mr Ben Dickinson, Highways, had responded to Members’ request for a permanent 20mp speed restriction in Fore Street. He explained that to change this speed limit would be against government guidance and not something that Cornwall Council would be keen to do.</p>	
148/2014	<p><u>Amenity / Environmental Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Amenity Land</i> – Minute 132a/2014 refers. The leases on the following had been signed and are due to go to the solicitor for registration.</p> <p>i. <u>The Small Field</u> – it was <b>AGREED</b> to invite representatives from The Tannery Residents’ Association to attend the next Heritage Committee meeting, with a view to considering the future management of the small field.</p> <p>ii. <u>Lime Pits</u> – it was <b>AGREED</b> the Heritage Committee should be tasked with the future management of the lime pits.</p> <p>Cllr. Wootton will write a report on these two projects for circulation via Cllr. Egerton.</p> <p>b. <i>Creed Burial Ground</i> – Minute 132b/2014 refers. Cllr. Jenkins reported a planning application to extend the churchyard had been submitted.</p> <p>c. <i>Town Crier</i> – Minute 132d/2014 refers. Mr Jim Woodman had regretfully declined the post of Town Crier. Cllr. Chapman to ask Mrs Bennett to fill the vacancy. Cllr. Jenkins will arrange to make the presentation to the former Town Crier, Mr John Sweetman of an official scroll and an engraved pewter mug.</p> <p>Cllr. Paynter read an extensive list of regalia that Mr John Sweetman had donated to the village. The items to be stored in the Town Hall. The Clerk queried what insurance value should be put on these items. Cllr. Tyler will try to establish this on the internet.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr. Wootton</p> <p>Cllr Chapman</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkins</p> <p>Cllr. Tyler</p>

	<p>d. <i>Grit Bins</i> – Minute 132e/2014 refers. Cllr. Jenkins reported the bin at Creed had plenty of salt, but it was soaking wet. He will try to drain the water. Cllr. Taylor confirmed the grit bin at Bonython Drive had sufficient stocks. New notices to be supplied for each bin.</p> <p>e. <i>Public Rights of Way (PROWs)</i> –</p> <p>i. <i>Fal River Footpath</i> – Minute 132f/2014. Cllr. Jenkins reported he and Mr Brewer had both walked the path and they did not consider it necessary to clear the fallen leaves this season.</p> <p>ii. <i>Garlenick Footpath</i> – Cllr. Egerton reported there is no impediment to walking the path now the turbines are installed.</p> <p>iii. <i>Mill Lane Footpath</i> – Minute 129b/2014 refers. Cllr. Egerton said there was nothing more to report.</p> <p>f. <i>River Fal Footbridge</i> – Minute 132g/2014 and Clerk’s report refers. The plans were made available to the meeting. Cllr. Jenkins took them for review. Noted there is a £500 grant earmarked for this project.</p> <p>g. <i>Tidy Up Grampound Campaign</i> – Minute 132i/2014 refers.</p> <p>i. <u>Litter</u> – covered by Mr Brunsdon, who had now been given a Schedule of Work.</p> <p>ii. <u>Bollards</u> – an appeal for a volunteer to appear in the next edition of the <i>Grampound Times</i>.</p> <p>iii. <u>Dirty Pavements</u> – Cory had dealt with this.</p> <p>iv. <u>Weeds Around Market Cross</u> – two local residents had cleared the area of weeds and had been active in clearing the fallen leaves.</p> <p>v. <u>Weed Spraying</u> – the Clerk to ask Complete Weed Control if they felt that the two weed sprays a year were sufficient.</p> <p>h. <i>Hewaswater Engineering Operating Hours</i> – Minute 138a/2014 refers. There was no written case from the company. No further action.</p> <p>i. <i>Flooding at Winnow Spring Cottage</i> – Minute 138b/2014 refers. Cllr. Tyler said that water runs down the Nantellan bridleway. She said this was due to the gradient, which had been diverted by Cormac, and now misses the drain. The Clerk to report to Highways and to ask the landowner to clear the trench on his land.</p> <p>Cllr. Paynter reported that Highways had partially cleared the drains at Treswallen. The Clerk to ask for the work to be completed.</p>	<p>Cllr. Jenkins Cllr. Wootton</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkins</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
149/2014	<p><u>Town Hall</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Electricity Supply</i> – Minute 133a/2014 refers. The Clerk reported she had emailed the brokers recommended by Cllr. Taylor, twice, but had not received a response. No further action.</p> <p>b. <i>Council Chamber Lock</i> – Minute 133b/2014 refers. Cllr. Jenkins reported he had repaired the lock.</p> <p>c. <i>Water Pipes</i> – Minute 133d/2014 refers. Cllr. Baines reported he had the materials to lag the pipes in the lower room and just needs to gain access to the town hall.</p> <p>d. <i>PAT Testing</i> – Clerk’s report refers. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> not to have a PAT test carried out every other year. Cllr. Baines will carry out a visual check.</p>	<p>Cllr. Baines</p>
150/2014	<p><u>Administrative Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Young People Cornwall</i> – CC propose cutting £950,000 from youth work services. Members <b>AGREED</b> to meet with a representative from this charity to discuss how they can assist the PC in meeting the needs of young people in the community. The Clerk to invite them to a future meeting to make a brief presentation. Cllr. Paynter voted against.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

