



Grampound with Creed Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, ON

THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER 2015 @ 7.30pm



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

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	<u>Chairman's Welcome / Public Forum</u> – the Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed those present. He provided mince pies and a glass of wine.	
162/2015	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> – Cllr. Elvy (work commitment).	
163/2015	<u>Members' Declarations</u> – a. <i>Pecuniary/Registerable Declarations of Interests</i> – none. b. <i>Non-Pecuniary/Disclosable Interests</i> – none. c. <i>Declaration of Gifts</i> – Members were reminded they must declare any gift or hospitality with a value in excess of fifty pounds. a. <i>Dispensations</i> – none.	
164/2015	<u>Minutes of Meetings</u> – a. <i>Full Council Meeting</i> – 19 th November 2015, AGREED as a true record. b. <i>Planning Committee Meeting</i> – 8 th December, AGREED as a true record. c. <i>Heritage Committee Meeting</i> – 18 th November, AGREED as a true record.	
165/2015	<u>Outside Organisations</u> – a. <i>Police</i> – PCSO Hemming sent his apologies and reported there had been two crimes: 1 x criminal damage to vehicle which took place in New Mills and 1 x drive vehicle when above the alcohol limit. b. <i>County Councillor</i> – Cllr. Egerton spoke to his written report (copy on file). He said that, unexpectedly, Ecotricity had submitted details to CC to satisfy pre-start conditions attached to the planning permission for a wind turbine on Pennans Farm. This may mean they intend to go ahead with the project. The Clerk to obtain a copy of the latest Electoral Roll. c. <i>Village Hall Committee (VHC)</i> – Cllr. Chapman was unable to attend the last meeting. Cllr. Taylor reported there had been a tidy up of the tarmac area. County Cllr. Egerton is seeking a further grant from the s.106 monies to cover this cost. Hewaswater Engineering had donated posts for the car park. A new tea urn had to be purchased. The floor of the hall is to be resurfaced. Even with these expenses, trading should break even. The Hall made about £1,000 from the mystery event. Regular antique fairs are to be held. Ham Field had been offered to the VHC on a long lease at a pepper corn rent and it had been agreed to take this forward. d. <i>Community Network Panel</i> – 19 th January 2016. Venue TBC.	Clerk
166/2015	<u>Planning Matters</u> – a. <i>Planning Committee</i> – covered by the Planning Minutes.	

	<p>b. <i>Enforcement Issues</i> – Minute 17c/2015 refers.</p> <p>i. <u>EN15/02194 Land adj. 1 Moor View, Fore Street</u> – the trees (in the conservation area) had been cut down. As the land is owned by CC it had been passed to their property services dept. to deal with.</p>	
167/2015	<p><u>Highways Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Traffic Calming Measures</i> – Minute 154b/2015 refers. Members considered the survey results, which had been circulated previously. It was clear that the majority of residents felt that more traffic calming measures were needed. Cllr. Egerton said there was no money to build a bypass. It could only be done on economic grounds, e.g. by building 300+ new houses.</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkins said he would like this survey to be a lobbying tool for further discussion with Cornwall Highways. Cllr. Turner asked if our MP could help with funding. Cllr. Jenkins said the PC could possibly fund Option B (Mobile speed visor system), but residents' preference was for Option A (Average Speed Zone 30mph through village).</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to write to County Cllr. Bert Biscoe, portfolio holder and Mr Nigel Blackler, CC with the results of the survey. Copy to be sent to Mr Steve Double MP, the Neighbourhood Network Panel and Ms Catherine Chick, <i>West Briton</i>. The survey results to be published in the <i>Grampound Times</i> and the PC's website.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that Cllr. Jenkins would do some more research into the provision and cost of Option A.</p> <p>b. <i>Nancegollan</i> – Cllr. Tyler read a letter from a local farmer, who had cleared the drain and by so doing alleviated the flooding problem.</p>	<p>Clerk Cllr. Jenkins / Clerk</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkins</p>
168/2015	<p><u>Town Hall</u> –</p> <p><i>PAT and Periodic Electrical Testing</i> – F&K Electrical Ltd. were scheduled to carry this out the next day. Cllr. Taylor advised that there is a local resident who is a qualified PAT tester. To be borne in mind for the future.</p> <p><i>Meter Readings</i> – 335 units of electricity used between 11th October and 15th November 2015 and the same number from 15th October to 17th December. This is very high and F&K Electrical Ltd. had been asked to investigate. To be considered further.</p> <p><i>Fire Extinguishers</i> – Fire Crest Fire Protection had carried out the annual test. Two additional foam fire extinguishers had been purchased to comply with government guidelines.</p>	
162/2015	<p><u>Environmental / Amenity Matters</u> –</p> <p><i>Public Rights of Way (PROWs)</i> –</p> <p><u>Mill Lane Footpath</u> – Minute 156a[i]/2015 refers. Cllrs. James, Chapman and Jenkins had yet to meet with Mr Robson to discuss the viability of the proposal to divert the footpath.</p> <p>Noted the PC's insurers advised: On the basis the PC will either own the "diversion" or be responsible for maintaining the route the Public Liability Insurance provided by the Aviva policy will cover this risk.</p> <p><u>Grampound and Probus Link</u> – the bridleway that goes up Old Hill towards Probus and comes out at Trewithen roundabout on the A390 at Probus. Cllr. Jenkins said if this could be made safer, it would be beneficial to workers and cyclists. It was RESOLVED to attend a meeting of Probus PC to discuss this issue.</p> <p>Cllr. Egerton said Highways would not sanction an official crossing point on the A390, because of the speed of traffic. He had much sympathy with the fact that it is difficult to walk in safety to neighbouring villages. He said Probus PC does not concern itself with footpaths in their parish. He did not think it would ever become a</p>	<p>Cllrs. James / Chapman / Jenkins</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkins</p>

	<p>'leisure footpath'.</p> <p><i>Tannery Field</i> – the Working Party (WP) tasked with considering the future usage and maintenance of the field had met with representatives from the Tannery Residents Assoc. (TRA). Volunteers had offered to remove the 'dross'. The grass needs cutting and a decision made as to whether it should be cut regularly or a path cut through and the remaining grass allowed to grow to encourage wild flowers. Seating would be an asset and three benches were suggested.</p> <p>It was suggested two crab apple trees and a Rowan tree should be planted to encourage wildlife, together with Buddlejas to encourage butterflies. Cllr. Turner had obtained a quotation for the plants.</p> <p>Cllr. Wootton had spoken to the school, who had indicated the distance from the school would mean they wouldn't use it very often.</p> <p>Cllr. Egerton suggested putting together a package / plan and he would then seek additional funding from the s.106 fund. Alternately funding could be sought from the Turbine fund. It was RESOLVED that the Working Party and the TRA takes this forward. It was RESOLVED to fund the initial cutting by Belmont at a cost of £65.</p> <p>Members expressed a fear that those living on the Tannery are somehow separate from the village.</p> <p>It was felt that an annual cut of all the grass would be needed by a professional company and Mr Brunsdon to be asked to add later cuts to the jobs he already does for the PC.</p>	WP / TRA																																																								
162/2015	<p><u>Financial Matters</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Accounts for Payment</i> – schedule No.2015/16-9, to a value of £1,572.84 was APPROVED for payment.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="319 996 1276 1489"> <thead> <tr> <th>Item</th> <th>Price</th> <th>VAT</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>EDF Energy - town hall</td> <td>144.98</td> <td>7.25</td> <td>152.23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fire Crest - fire extinguisher testing + 2 extinguishers</td> <td>194.90</td> <td>38.98</td> <td>233.88</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs Thompson - salary</td> <td>284.51</td> <td></td> <td>284.51</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr G Brunsdon - various</td> <td>77.20</td> <td></td> <td>77.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>206.60</td> <td></td> <td>206.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs Moorcroft - Fore Str. Planters</td> <td>108.00</td> <td></td> <td>108.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr Brunsdon - cleaning wipes</td> <td>1.78</td> <td></td> <td>1.78</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs Thompson - SLCC subscription (pro rata)</td> <td>25.79</td> <td></td> <td>25.79</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Data Commissioner - DPA</td> <td>35.00</td> <td></td> <td>35.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cllr. Jenkins - Vidahost web hosting</td> <td>5.58</td> <td>1.12</td> <td>6.70</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Marler Haley - display boards</td> <td>351.00</td> <td>70.20</td> <td>421.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Folding Tables UK</td> <td>16.62</td> <td>3.33</td> <td>19.95</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black;">£1,572.84</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Fire Protection – Members tested and confirmed the smoke detectors and torches were working, whilst the cheques are being signed.</p> <p>b. <i>Asset Register</i> – Minute 157b/2015 refers. Cllrs. Turner and Chapman had not been successful in getting a valuation for the Town Crier's regalia. It was RESOLVED to insure this for £2,500.</p> <p>c. <i>2016/17 Budget</i> – Members considered the draft budget drawn up by the Clerk and a number of adjustments were made. With these amendments, it was RESOLVED to accept the budget. It was further RESOLVED to set the precept at £18,235 for 2016/17. The Clerk to notify CC.</p> <p>d. <i>Transparency Fund</i> – Minute 157e/2015 refers. The Clerk explained that only PCs with a turnover of less than £25,000 qualified for a grant. This year, because of the s.106 grant from the Tannery development and the purchase of play equipment, the PC wouldn't qualify.</p>	Item	Price	VAT	Total	EDF Energy - town hall	144.98	7.25	152.23	Fire Crest - fire extinguisher testing + 2 extinguishers	194.90	38.98	233.88	Mrs Thompson - salary	284.51		284.51	Mr G Brunsdon - various	77.20		77.20	HMRC	206.60		206.60	Mrs Moorcroft - Fore Str. Planters	108.00		108.00	Mr Brunsdon - cleaning wipes	1.78		1.78	Mrs Thompson - SLCC subscription (pro rata)	25.79		25.79	Data Commissioner - DPA	35.00		35.00	Cllr. Jenkins - Vidahost web hosting	5.58	1.12	6.70	Marler Haley - display boards	351.00	70.20	421.20	Folding Tables UK	16.62	3.33	19.95				£1,572.84	Clerk Clerk
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164/2015	<p><u>Diary Dates</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Full Council Meeting</i> – 21st January 2016.</p> <p>b. <i>Planning Committee Meeting</i> – 12th January 2016.</p> <p>c. <i>Heritage Committee Meeting</i> – 20th January 2016.</p> <p>d. <i>Clerk's Leave</i> – 29th – 31st December 2015.</p> <p>e. <i>Schedule of Meetings</i> – copy attached. Copy to be placed on the website.</p>	Clerk
165/2015	<p><u>Information Only / Future Agenda Items</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Nancegollan</i> – Cllr. Tyler reported the road sweepers had been out in the area and there had been a big improvement.</p> <p>b. <i>Forsters Court</i> – Cllr. Freer said the lighting was poor in the area and a number of people had bumped into the bollard. Cllr. Turner will report this to the TRA.</p> <p>c. <i>Village Hall</i> – Cllr. Taylor reported a replacement cleaner is being sought.</p>	Cllr. Turner
166/2015	<p>Closed Session – in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, namely tenders / quotations for work, it was RESOLVED that it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.</p>	
167/2015	<p><u>Footpath Cutting</u> – Minute 156a[iii]/2015 refers. Tender packs had been sent to a number of contractors, with a deadline for return of noon, on 17th December 2015.</p> <p>Cllr. Egerton said many of the paths do not need cutting for the whole length. It was RESOLVED that the Footpath Working Party will walk the paths and report back.</p>	Cllrs. James / Chapman / Jenkins
168/2015	<p><u>Meeting Closed</u> – 21.25pm.</p>	

Signature: (Cllr. Jenkins)
Parish Council Chairman

Date: 21st January 2016