



# Grampound with Creed Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON

### THURSDAY, 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2021 @ 7pm

NOTE – it is the responsibility of all those joining a ‘Zoom’ meeting to check their security settings.

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	<b>Present</b> – Cllrs. Taylor (Chair), Bowden, Freer, James, Jones, McGuinness, Turner (Vice Chair), Wells; Mrs Thompson (Clerk) and County Cllr. Egerton.	
	<p><b>Chairman’s Welcome / Public Forum</b> – the Chair opened the meeting and welcomed those present. He advised members of the public may address the Council for a maximum of three minutes, prior to the commencement of the meeting. All comments are to be directed to the Chair of the meeting.</p> <p>Ms Toni Dowrick will be standing for election to CC as the Conservative Candidate. She can be found on Facebook or <a href="mailto:toni4stmewan@gmail.com">toni4stmewan@gmail.com</a>.</p> <p>Mr Michael Bunney will be standing for election to CC in May as the Mebyon Kernow candidate. Contact: <a href="mailto:michaelbunney84@gmail.com">michaelbunney84@gmail.com</a>; 07939-457590.</p> <p>Mr James Rooney was present regarding his planning application 25a/2021 below. He was available to answer questions.</p> <p>Ms Sarah Roberson and Ms Fran Swanson, FofF spoke regarding the Fal River footpath. The FofF did not consider the planings that had been provided to deposit on the Fal River footpath were suitable. Ms Roberson said there were several points of erosion which means the path may need to be diverted. She said extensive work was needed to control the flow of water.</p>	
20/2021	<b>Apologies</b> – none.	
21/2021	<p><b>Members’ Declarations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <i>Pecuniary/Registerable Declarations of Interests</i> – none.</li> <li>b. <i>Non-registerable Interests</i> – none.</li> <li>c. <i>Declaration of Gifts</i> – Members were reminded they must declare any gift or hospitality with a value in excess of fifty pounds.</li> <li>d. <i>Dispensations</i> – none.</li> </ul>	
22/2021	<b>Casual Vacancy</b> – Members <b>ACCEPTED</b> the resignation of Mrs Tyler and declared the resulting casual vacancy. The Clerk to advise CC.	Clerk
23/2021	<p><b>Minutes of Meetings</b> –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <i>Full Council</i> – 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021, <b>AGREED</b> as a true record.</li> </ul>	
24/2021	<p><b>Outside Organisations and Reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <i>County Councillor</i> – Cllr. Egerton’s written report had been circulated via email together with his briefing paper i.r.o. the River Fal footpath. The PC and CC Election seems likely to go ahead in May. Members need to consider if they will be standing for re-election.</li> <li>b. <i>Network Panel</i> – Minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021 circulated via email.</li> </ul>	Members

25a/2021	<p>Minute 25a/2021 was taken at this point.</p> <p><u>PA20/10597, Land E of Grampound</u> – change of use of land to a family gypsy /traveller site comprised of 4 pitches including 4 no. mobile homes, 4 no. touring caravans, 4 no. day rooms, and associated works. Part retrospective.</p> <p>Mr Martin Woodley, case officer had briefed Members, via Microsoft Teams, on 15<sup>th</sup> February and Cllr. Taylor had circulated notes of the meeting.</p> <p>Cllr. Taylor said there were no objections from residents on CC’s website, however, there was an objection from Highways regarding the entrance.</p> <p>Cllr. McGuinness said that extending the 30mph limit to further up Grampound Hill would mitigate this issue. County Cllr. Egerton said the old A390 could be used by traffic coming from St Austell. It was thought the gate had been installed by SW Water and Cllr. Egerton is looking into this.</p> <p>Mr Woodley had explained different regulations apply to traveller sites that supersede the regulation regarding development in the open countryside. Cllr. Turner said she was concerned about the precedent this application was setting – she asked if CC were circumventing their obligations to provide traveller sites. Cllr. McGuinness said he believed it was national government policy to encourage individuals to buy land and set up their own traveller sites.</p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to support the application subject to appropriate measures to mitigate the concerns of Highway, with suggestions to include an extension of the 30mph limit to the top of Grampound Hill and to extend the pavement and re-site the speed camera.</p>	Clerk
29c/2021	<p>Minute 29c/2021 (second bullet point) was taken at this point.</p> <p><u>River Fal</u> – the communication from FofF regarding the path’s surface, had previously been emailed</p> <p>It was clarified that the path is classified as a footpath and should not be used for quadbikes, horses, etc. Cllr. McGuinness suggested that lmerys may be able to help with a topping for the path. Ms Roberson felt strongly that the planings provided by the Countryside Ranger were inappropriate for use on this path but could be used as a hardcore base on the SW Water area.</p> <p>Cllr. Jones said he uses the path regularly and he did not have a problem with the surface that was in place. He supported County Cllr. Egerton’s definitive report. Members were not convinced that residents support / want the level of improvement proposed by FofF.</p> <p>Ms Swanson said that underneath the mud is granite. She offered to withdraw the FofF’s offer to assist with maintenance of the path.</p> <p>Cllr. Taylor said the PC had no intention of interfering with the FofF’s plans for the area covered by their lease with Trewithen, e.g. the play area. He said that FofF did not need the PC’s permission to apply for grants to upgrade the path</p> <p>Cllr. Turner said that if money was spent on upgrading the path then horses, quadbikes, etc. still cannot use it – it is designated as a footpath only.</p> <p>Cllr. McGuinness offered his services as a Chartered Landscape Architect but would not want to lose the rural aspect of the path.</p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to ask FofF to investigate upgrading of the path using more environmentally friendly materials and report back to the PC, but to ensure its rural character is maintained.</p> <p>It was further <b>RESOLVED</b> to appoint Cllr. McGuinness as the PC’s link with FofF on this project.</p>	FofF / Cllr. McGuinness
25/2021	<p><b>Planning Applications</b> – Members considered the following:</p> <p>a. PA20/10597, Land E of Grampound – covered above.</p>	

26/2021	<p><b>Highway Matters –</b></p> <p>a. Pepo Lane – Minute 8a/2021 refers. CAT to provide a stick-on arrow sign, but Western Power had refused permission to affix sign to their telegraph pole. There did not appear to be a solution to this problem. No further action at this stage.</p> <p>b. Footpath No.11 (Mill Lane–Pepo Lane) – Ms Penny Hodgson, advised Cormac will carry out the waymarking and signage works and will add a new waymarker post where the path enters the field at the top of the new structure. Waymarker discs will be added to the large tree in the centre of the field to direct walkers and a waymarker post will be added to the top of the stile at the top of the field. They will also install a new finger post at the mill building where the footpath starts. They will also remove a couple of fallen trees.</p> <p>The Clerk to report to Highways that waste is partially blocking the Mill Lane end.</p> <p>c. Fore Street Drains –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highway Ref: W2155459. In a phone call, Mr Andy Hoskin, Highways said he believes the small drains on the footpath actually carry water off the rooves of neighbouring properties and if that is the case it wouldn't be the responsibility of Highways. He was asked how he could prove / disprove this theory and the Clerk suggested a CCTV Survey. Mr Hoskin said it was possible that they may need to employ a contract to do this, just to see what is actually going on. They could also put rods down to see which way the drains are leading. He had promised to do some more investigating and get back to the PC.</li> <li>• SW Water advised they believe this to be a matter for Highways.</li> </ul> <p>d. A390 Layby – a complaint had been received regarding anti-social behaviour in the westbound layby. The Police had agreed to increase their patrols in the area.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
27/2021	<p><b>Environmental / Amenity Matters –</b></p> <p>a. Friends of the Fal (FotF) – Public Forum above refers.</p> <p>b. Bosillion Lane / Fore Street – Minute 9d/2021 refers. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the quotation of £160 from Mr Josh Parkin-Jones to cut back the brambles and clear the rubbish from the bank. It was further <b>RESOLVED</b> to request him to plant some more daffodil bulbs and, if needed, replace the Camelias.</p> <p>c. Flowerbeds – it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to ask Mr Parkin-Jones to carry out the following work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creed Lane – to clear and replant the bed with small succulents topped with grey slate chippings.</li> <li>• Popo Lane – to replace the Phormium with small succulents topped with grey slate chippings. The white chippings already on the bed to be removed.</li> <li>• School – to replace the existing lavender with smaller French lavender. The old lavender to be recycled.</li> </ul> <p>d. Grit / Litter Bins – Members to receive an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bosillion Lane – Cllrs. Turner and Wells had advised of a suitable site for a new grit bin. Permission had been granted by the adjoining landowner and Mr Andy Hoskin. A new bin had been ordered.</li> <li>• Creed – a new bin had been ordered together with additional grit.</li> </ul>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	<p>Noted Mr Andy Hoskin, Highways advised he can arrange for the old bin to be removed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• River Fal Footpath – CC had provided a new, larger litter bin for the footpath at the request of FofF. The Clerk to obtain signs indicating the bin can be used for both normal and dog waste.</li> <li>• Pepo Lane Bin – the Clerk to report to Biffa that the bin is not being emptied regularly.</li> </ul>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
28/2021	<p><b>Administrative Matters</b> – not covered elsewhere on the agenda.</p> <p>a. <i>CALC FAQ 17</i> – Chair and Vice Chair had agreed to support the campaign for virtual meetings by contacting our MP. Details previously emailed.</p>	
29/2021	<p><b>Financial Matters</b> –</p> <p>a. <i>Accounts for Payment</i> – schedule No.2020/21-11 to a value of £1,041.75 was <b>APPROVED</b> for payment. The Clerk to place a copy of the payment schedule on the website.</p> <p>b. <i>Grant Request</i> – it was <b>AGREED</b> to make a donation of £100 to True Butterflies Foundation a charity that supports Domestic Abuse Survivors and their families. Details emailed.</p> <p>c. <i>PROW Maintenance</i> –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the offer of a grant of £358.52 to cut Public Rights of Way (PRoWs) in the parish in 2021/22.</li> <li>• River Fal – covered above.</li> </ul> <p>d. <i>Weed Control</i> – it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the quotation from Complete Weed Control Ltd. for four weed sprays at a cost of £127+VAT per spray, subject to sight of a copy of his Public Liability insurance cover.</p> <p>NOTE – a COSHH sheet for the chemical used had been provided.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
30/2021	<p><b>Documentation / Correspondence</b> – not covered elsewhere on the agenda</p> <p>a. Royal Cornwall Hospitals Trust – an opportunity to join the RCHT Board and play a key part in influencing the way our services are provided, now and for the future. Details previously emailed.</p> <p>b. Roadside hedge and tree management – factsheet from Cormac circulated via email</p> <p>c. Positive Planning – February 2021 newsletter</p> <p>d. Calor Rural Community Fund – applications invited. Details emailed.</p>	
31/2021	<p><b>Diary Dates</b> –</p> <p>a. <i>Full Council Meeting</i> – 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021.</p> <p>b. <i>Planning Committee Meeting</i> – TBC. 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021.</p> <p>c. <i>Environmental Land Management (ELM) Strategy</i> – CC workshops. Details previously emailed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virtual Conference – 25<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 7pm.</li> <li>• Interactive Workshop – 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021</li> </ul>	
32/2021	<p><b>Information Only / Future Agenda Items</b> –</p> <p>a. None.</p>	

33/2021	<b>Closed Session</b> – in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, namely quotations, it was <b>RESOLVED</b> that it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.	
34/2021	<b>Town Hall</b> – quotations to repaint the town hall were expected. Deferred to the March meeting.	
35/2021	<b>Meeting Closed</b> – 20.47pm.	

Signature: ..... (Cllr. Mark Taylor)  
Parish Council Chair

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021