



Grampound with Creed Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN GRAMPOUND VILLAGE HALL,

TUESDAY, 21st SEPTEMBER 2021 @ 6.30pm

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	Present – Cllrs. Taylor (Chair), Freer, James, Jones, McGuinness, Shaw, Turner (Vice Chair), Wells; and Mrs Thompson (Clerk).	
	Chairman’s Welcome / Public Forum – the Chair opened the meeting and welcomed those present.	
121/2021	Members’ Declarations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Pecuniary/Registerable Declarations of Interests</i> – none. b. <i>Non-registerable 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. d. <i>Dispensations</i> – none e. <i>Code of Conduct Training</i> – all Members and the Clerk had undertaken the training. 	
122/2021	Apologies – Cllr. Jenkins and County Cllr. Bunney.	
123/2021	Minutes of Meetings – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Full Council</i> – 15th July 2021, AGREED as a true record. b. <i>Planning Committee</i> – 7th September 2021, AGREED as a true record. 	
124/2021	Outside Organisations and Reports – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>County Councillor</i> – copy of report was circulated via email. Cllr. Bunney had sought Members views on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Faircross – Members RESOLVED to support in principle the proposal to erect black and white arrow warning signs in both directions, on the corner by Faircross, where the lane goes to Creed; but would like a map indicating the locations. ii. PROWs – covered by Minute 129c/2021 below. iii. Anti-Social Behaviour – covered by Minute 129d/2021 below. b. <i>Network Panel</i> – no-one was able to attend the meeting as it clashed with the PC’s Full Council meeting. <p>Notes of the meeting held on 27th July 2021 circulated via email.</p> <p>Cllr. Taylor reminded the meeting that it had been promised the weed control/highways liaison would be discussed and this will be placed on a future Network Panel agenda. In the interim Members had been given access to a paper that outlines the strategy Cornwall Council is following for its own managed lands. He had also been advised that they will try to get comments from the Environment Team. Depending on what is said, Cllr. Taylor will still press for a competent representative to attend so we can quiz them.</p>	Clerk

	<p>c. <i>Police</i> – details previously emailed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Watch Scheme – link to further information: https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/advice/your-community/your-watch-schemes/neighbourhood-watch/. NOTE – it appears that such a scheme does not qualify for a “Safer Cornwall grant”: https://www.devonandcornwall-pcc.gov.uk/news-and-blog/multimedia-hub/commissioner-launches-%C2%A330,000-community-grants-scheme-for-a-safer-cornwall/. No further action. <p>d. <i>Village Hall Committee (VHC)</i> – the hall and recreation ground continues to be widely used by our community and is financially healthy. More events and regular usage of the hall have started back but the maximum number that can attend at any time remains 60 because of the COVID-19 risk assessment. There is 1 trustee position available and anyone who is keen to join - especially someone representing younger age groups would be very welcome and could talk to any of the trustees or the chair. The hall's AGM is in November to which all are welcome. A review of the welcome use of the Ham field over the summer by children's parties was undertaken and some additional fencing will be place around the small pond and signage. The hall is reviewing how to best secure its service maintenance contracts. In February 2022 there will be a special trustees meeting to consider future vision, strategy, and plans to keep the hall and recreation ground useful to the people of Grampound with Creed.</p>	
125/2021	<p>Planning Applications – Members considered:</p> <p>a. PA21/02008/PREAPP, The Coal Yard Grampound – request for a Tree Preservation Order on Quercus species to protect the health, stability and condition of trees. In consultation with the PC Chair and Chair of the Planning Committee a response of “SUPPORT” had been submitted.</p> <p>b. PA21/06041, 3 Broadhurst Fore Street Grampound – Listed building consent to replace 4no. existing timber windows with new UPVC double glazed windows and replace existing timber front door with new UPVC double glazed residential front door. OBJECT. Members feel timber would be a better option more in keeping with the Conservation Area.</p> <p>c. PA21/07313, Land N of Tregidgeo Mill Grampound – construction of two-storey detached dwelling, to replace previously approved Class Q conversion, including provision of external garden amenity space, vehicular parking, garage with games room over and septic tank.</p> <p>The Planning Committee had requested more information from the Case Officer, Mr Martin Woodley and his response had been emailed. In light of his advice Members felt, reluctantly, that they had no grounds on which to object to the application but believed most strongly that this application is an abuse of the system and fear it will set a dangerous precedent.</p> <p>d. PA21/06526, Rear of Mill Lane Surgery, Grampound – submission of details to Discharge Condition 3 in respect of Decision Notice PA18/07808 dated 16th November 2018. NO COMMENT.</p> <p>Cllr. Shaw arrived at this point.</p> <p>e. PA21/06957, The Coal Yard Grampound – proposed residential development of 5 detached dwellings with associated infrastructure and landscape works with variation of condition 2 of decision PA18/05972 dated 28.08.2018. Mr James Mosely, case officer, had been asked for clarification. The Clerk to request an extension to the Planning Meeting on 12th October.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
126/2021	<p>Other Planning Matters – Members considered:</p> <p>a. Bude and Stratton Town Council – details previously emailed. Members RESOLVED to support the following resolution point i to v:</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. End the 'Right to Buy' scheme. ii. Scrutinise the principles of Affordable Housing with a view to creating links to local earnings. iii. New homes must be prioritised for local need and occupancy. iv. Second Homes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. To allow a multiplier of council tax which is passed to local communities b. Scrutiny of the principle of registering houses as businesses v. Additions to our housing stock should be delivered to high sustainable living standards and offered with secure and humane tenancy agreements. <p>Air B&B and Similar Models – Bude & Stratton PC to be asked to include Air B&B in their submission, as this is viewed as being a major problem. It was a great idea for earning pin money for a genuinely spare room, but has mushroomed into a monster as people cash in on the opportunity to profit from unregulated holiday accommodation and buy up properties with the sole intention of renting them on Air B&B. Cllr. Taylor said properties bought under the "Right to Buy" could not be used for Air B&B.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Community Land Trust (CLT) – discussion i.r.o. possibly setting up a Working Party to look into setting up a CLT for Grampound was deferred to when Cllr. Bunney is in attendance. c. Draft Cornwall AONB Management Plan 2022-2027 – circulated via email. See: https://letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/aonb-management-plan-review Deadline 8th October 2021. Members to respond individually. d. Proposed Planning Reforms – Members RESOLVED to support Bodmin Town Council's proposal: <p>The White Paper really goes wrong regarding unspecified amount of influence over design codes as a meaningful substitute for communities' ability to engage in the scale, distribution, type, and principle of development. Considering the very short consultation timescales set out in the plan-making process, it seems likely that a substantial proportion of new development across the country will default to the national design codes, in which local people do not have a say.</p> <p>We feel that greater strength in voice is via a collaborative approach to the problem and therefore welcome responses from other Parish, Community and Town Councils in Cornwall in respect of this matter. The Chairman of Bodmin Town Council's Planning Committee welcomes comments via written response to these concerns, although not restricted to just the issues listed above. We intend to collate the comments / responses along with our own comments with a view to developing a campaign for equality and a meaningful say in mass and other development proposals in Cornwall. admin@bodmin.gov.uk</p>	
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127/2021	<p>Approved Planning Applications – the following application had been approved by CC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. PA21/05383, Lowena Fore Street Grampound – extension to existing dwelling, including internal layout alterations with variation of Condition 2 in respect of decision PA15/07149. b. PA21/05891, Tregidgeo Cottage Grampound – proposed single storey extension. 	
128/2021	<p>Highway Matters –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Unsuitable for long vehicles and caravans" Signage – Mr Viv Bidgood, Highways advised the new signs for Bosillion Lane (Minute 113b/2021 refers) had been designed. Members were pleased to learn that Cornwall Council had agreed to cover the costs of installation rather than passing this on to the parish council. 	

	<p>It was further AGREED to remove the existing sign (when the new one is installed) and to cover any cost.</p> <p>b. <i>Road Closure</i> – Road from Fal Valley Tannery to District Boundary at Grampound; 30th August 2021 to 4th October 2021 (24 hours). Details previously emailed.</p> <p>c. <i>7.5 ton Weight Restriction</i> – Members did not support a request made by Mr Des Mennear for such a restriction to be put in place on the road from Hewaswater to Tregony.</p>	Clerk
129/2021	<p>Environmental / Amenity Matters –</p> <p>a. <i>Weed Spraying</i> – details of “Foamstream” had been emailed.</p> <p>No volunteers had come forward to hand pick weeds on Fore Street and weeds are becoming an issue. Cllr. Jones was asked to establish the active ingredient in the B&Q weed killer product.</p> <p>Cllr. Taylor referred to the guidelines adopted by London Councils Parks-for-London-Integrated-Weed-Management-reference-guide-March-2020-SAMPLE.pdf (parksforlondon.org.uk) where the use of weedkillers is seen as a “last resort”.</p> <p>Noted Mr Alun Jones, Contractor had quoted £330 per spray using Acetic Acid (Vinegar). The cost using Glyphosate is £127 per spray.</p> <p>b. <i>Leaflets</i> – Members considered updating the leaflets on local walks. These will be updated, to include cycle routes, each time a print run is made. Cllr. Shaw offered her services and will be provided with copies by Cllr. James.</p> <p>c. <i>PROW Map</i> – in general principle Members are not in favour of footpaths being upgraded to bridleways, however if this is part of a larger scale route upgrade, to include cycle routes, it would be viewed more favourably.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add a Bridleway in St Stephen-in-Brannel CP together with the upgrade of parts of Footpath 12 St Stephen-in-Brannel and the upgrade of Footpath 5 Grampound with Creed to Bridleway at Ventonwyn. • Upgrade Footpath 1 St Stephen-in-Brannel to Bridleway and Footpath 9 Grampound with Creed to Bridleway at Garlenick. <p>NOTE – the report is available on: https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment/countryside/dmmo-reports/.</p> <p>d. <i>Tredinnick Quarry/A390 Layby</i> – they were supportive of the action being taken by the Police to combat anti-social behaviour incidents but did not wish to have any signage erected.</p> <p>e. <i>Probus Surgery</i> – Members considered a proposal that the PC liaises with Volunteer Cornwall to see if we can access their Community Transport Scheme for travel to the Surgery for Grampound residents. Cllr. Taylor suggested putting together a leaflet / poster advertising the service.</p> <p>f. <i>Climate and Ecology Bill</i> – details previously emailed.</p> <p>g. <i>Bus Shelter, Old Hill</i> – the Clerk to organise repairs to the broken window.</p>	<p>Cllr. Jones</p> <p>Cllr. Shaw / James</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllrs. James / Jenkins</p> <p>Clerk</p>
130/2021	<p>Administrative Matters – Members to consider:</p> <p>a. <i>Cyber Risk Insurance Cover</i> – Mr Robert Lawrence, ICT Connect Ltd. pointed Members to: https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/cyber-insurance-guidance. Details previously emailed. No further action.</p>	

	<p>b. <i>Climate Literacy Training Course</i> – details previously emailed: https://vimeo.com/502214146.</p> <p>c. <i>Learning Hub Accounts</i> – two free accounts will also provide access to the other online training that is available within the Council’s Learning Hub. The Clerk had asked to join the scheme.</p> <p>d. <i>Cornwall Association of Local Councils</i> – applications are invited to fill 2 vacancies on the CALC Executive Board. Details previously emailed.</p> <p>e. <i>Risk Assessment</i> – Members APPROVED the draft risk assessment i.r.o. use of the Council Chamber for Planning Meetings (copy previously emailed). Use of the Heritage Centre for future Council meetings will be considered for future meeting.</p>	Clerk
131/2021	<p>Documentation / Correspondence – not covered elsewhere on the agenda</p> <p>a. Cornwall’s Local Transport Plan – details previously circulated. To comment, please see: www.cornwall.gov.uk/connectingcornwall</p> <p>b. Wellbeing and Public Health at Cornwall Council – details of availability of mental health and suicide prevention training previously circulated, see: https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/training/.</p> <p>c. Kernow Connect – leaflet previously circulated outlining support services for young people</p>	
132/2021	<p>Diary Dates –</p> <p>a. <i>Full Council Meeting</i> – 19th October 2021 at 6.30pm, Village Hall Committee Room.</p> <p>b. <i>Planning Meeting</i> – 12th October 2021 at 6.30pm, Town Hall.</p> <p>c. <i>Royal Cornwall Hospitals</i> – Annual Public Meeting had been held on 2nd September at 4.30pm. You can find the papers, including our annual report and accounts, on: https://doclibrary-rcht.cornwall.nhs.uk/</p>	
133/2021	<p>Financial Matters – Members considered:</p> <p>a. Accounts for Payment – copies of the following will be placed on the PC’s website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule No.2021/22-06 to a value of £3,526.28 was APPROVED for payment via email. • Schedule No.2021/22-07 to a value of £4,812.52 was APPROVED for payment, including the insurance premium. <p>b. <i>2020/21 Accounts</i> – Members to AGREED and ACCEPTED the External Auditors report, which was made with the comment: <i>(In the prior year, the smaller authority was exempt from our review, thus we have not reviewed any evidence to support the prior year comparatives on the AGAR.)</i>. The Clerk to post a copy on the PC’s website.</p> <p>c. <i>Bank Signatures</i> – the Clerk to forward details to Cllr. Turner for her to check if Cllr. Wells had been added as a signature to the bank accounts.</p> <p>d. <i>Insurance Renewal</i> – Members had CONFIRMED, via email, that their insurance cover was adequate. It was AGREED to renew the policy with Hiscox for three years.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr. Turner / Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
134/2021	Information Only / Future Agenda Items –	

	<p>a. <i>Enhanced Response Area' (ERA)</i> – from Friday 27th August Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly had been designated an Enhanced Response Area for five Weeks of additional support including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Logistical support to maximise vaccine and testing uptake</i> • <i>Further help for local public health campaigns</i> • <i>Temporary use of face coverings in communal areas outside classrooms in secondary schools and colleges</i> • <i>Increased surveillance using multiple methods to monitor the situation</i> <p>b. <i>Queen's Jubilee</i> – deferred to the October agenda.</p> <p>c. <i>Welcome to Grampound Signs</i> – the Clerk to request Mr Parkin-Jones to cut back the vegetation around the signs. Cllr. James to speak to County Cllr. Bunney to seek his support to renew some worn signage.</p> <p>d. <i>Interactive Map</i> – Cllr. Shaw was advised this is a useful resource.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr. James</p>
135/2021	Meeting Closed – 20.06pm.	

Signature: (Cllr. Mark Taylor)
Parish Council Chair

Date: 19th October 2021