

Grampound with Creed Parish Council MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN GRAMPOUND VILLAGE HALL THURSDAY, 19th JANUARY 2023 @ 6.30pm

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	Present – Cllrs. Taylor (Chair), Freer, Jenkins, Jones, Shaw, Turner (Vice Chair), Wells; Mrs Thompson (Clerk) and County Cllr. Bunney.	
	Chairman's Welcome / Public Forum – the Chair opened the meeting and welcomed those present. He asked Members to use the side door when attending PC meetings. The Clerk to make this clear on the agenda. Mrs Annette and Mr Bob Egerton were present. She thanked Members for their	Clerk
	help with new play equipment for the recreation ground. Mrs Egerton provided some photographs of the vehicular damage caused to the road at the bottom end of Fore Street. She referred to the response from Mr Viv Bidgood, Highways (Minute 9a/2023 refers). She believed that the accidents resulting in injury were likely to be on roads that were not in built up areas. She was disappointed that Mr Bidgood had not indicated if he feels the number of incidents on Fore Street were excessive as they could easily have resulted in injury. Debris left on her land following one of these incidents was still there after 3 months. Cllr. Bunney will pursue these issues with Mr Bidgood. The Clerk will retain the photographs on file. Cllr. Jenkins said it would be a good idea to maintain an evidence file of vehicular incidents.	Cllr. Bunney
	Members met with two local residents who wanted to know who had instigated the request for double yellow lines at the junction of Pepo Lane/New Hill. They felt strongly that those homeowners most affected should have been told personally and a public meeting held to discuss the proposals. Minute 9d/2023 refers.	
	Cllr. Taylor explained that the request for yellow lines had come from several sources: [1] New Hill residents wanted increased safety for children (playing and on route to/from school; [2] there are issues with drivers pulling out to avoid parked cars and [3] there are problems for deliveries to the neighbouring industrial unit. The residents said there was a real danger from large delivery vehicles unable to get through the gateway to the industrial unit. They consequentially reverse back down the road.	
	Cllr. Taylor went on to say that the original planning permission for the residents' property was granted on condition there were two parking spaces. A subsequent planning application for a garage was granted on condition no parking spaces were lost. The residents disputed this and wanted to continue being able to park on the road outside their property.	
	Cllr. Bunney urged objectors to respond to the TRO consultation. Cllr. Taylor said this is the proposal that Highways had put forward.	
1/2023	Members' Declarations –	
	a. Pecuniary/Registerable Declarations of Interests – none.	
	b. Non-registerable Interests – none.	
	 Declaration of Gifts – Members were reminded they must declare any gift or hospitality with a value in excess of fifty pounds. 	
	d. <i>Dispensations</i> – none.	
2/2023	Apologies – Cllrs. James and McGuinness.	

3/2023	Minutes of Meetings –	
	a. Full Council – 24th November 2022, AGREED as a true record.	
	b. Planning Meeting – cancelled. Cllr. Taylor advised that planning applications would be dealt with at Full Council meetings until such time as the Town Hall is repaired and meetings can be resumed there. The Clerk to ask Cllr. McGuinness if he would prefer the Planning Meeting to be held prior to a Full Council meeting or to deal with all applications within the Full Council meeting.	Clerk
	c. Heritage Project – 8 th December 2022, AGREED as a true record.	
4/2023	Outside Organisations and Reports –	
	 a. County Councillor – Cllr. Bunney thanked the Clerk but especially Cllr. Taylor for all his hard work following the damage to the Town Hall. 	
	Cllr Bunney had been fundraising for local causes. He was particularly pleased with CC's decision to charge 200% council tax for holiday homes – subject to government legislation. He confirmed the funding announced today is not part of the "Mayor for Cornwall" proposal. Cllr. Bunney will follow up the lack of repairs to ease the flooding on Old Hill.	Cllr. Bunney
	b. Network Panel – meeting held on 17 th January. Cllr. Taylor said that the £390M funding Cornwall would receive if a Cornwall Mayor is introduced would be spread over 30 years. It is not index-linked. The Mayor will be able to appoint their own cabinet from elected Members and would set CC's Budget. It would need two-thirds of CC's Members to make changes.	
	c. Village Hall Committee (VHC) – Cllr. Taylor had emailed some notes.	
	d. Police – see Minute 9a/2023 below. Cllr. Jones said there was some unsocial behaviour on The Tannery Estate. Cllr. Bunney said such incidents should be reported to the Police.	
5/2023	Planning Applications – none.	
6/2023	Other Planning Matters –	
	a. Riverside – Minute 120d/2022 refers. On 9th January Mr James Mosely, CC advised he had that day discussed this application with the Council's ecologist who is familiarising himself with the application background. He notes the concerns in relation to the integrity of the works undertaken and will consider whether conditions could be imposed to safeguard damage in the event of approval. That said, the ecologist and Mr Moseley are still reviewing the suitability of the works which had been undertaken (with the application now being retrospective) and considering whether alternative or further planting would be justified or suit.	
	b. Proposed Penans Turbines – Minute 120c/2022 refers. In response to Members' request to Clean Earth Energy Ltd. asking them to hold a public consultation meeting and to provide various "lines of sight" of the viewpoints Members considered important. Ms Amber Trenberth responded: We are currently coordinating the visual material previously discussed – with consideration of the additional points raised below. We've experienced some delays in coordinating the site visits and will be unable to provide the material prior to the meeting on 19th January. I'll ensure to provide an update on timings in due course.	
7/2023	Approved Planning Applications – the following applications had been approved by CC:	
	 PA22/09804, Land and Garages East of Ashwood House Grampound – works to trees within a conservation area: Tree 1 Sycamore trim, Tree 2 Ash Tree reduce, Tree 3 and 4 Leylandii remove. <u>CC decided not to make a TPO (TCA apps)</u> 	

	 b. PA22/09939, Friends of The Fal Woodland Grampound – works to trees in a conservation area (TCA), works include: To prune all bushes to 1 meter high along, remove dead and unhealthy vegetation not conducive to natural habitation. Prune lower branches of trees that are not included in a TPO by trimming lower branches (thinning) Weave the new growth of bushes into a living fence/ barrier (hurdle fencing) Planting native woodland trees to replace prolific sycamore i.e, Rowan, hawthorn, birch, hazel, willow etc. Removal of Ponticum. Removal of trees that are smaller than 75mm which are not conducive to the overall health of the woodland. This is when measured at a height of 1.5 meters above ground level on the main stem. CC decided not to make a TPO (TCA apps). c. PA22/08436, Riverside Garage Grampound – advertisement consent for display of temporary non illuminated sign. 	
8/2023	Withdrawn Planning Applications –:	
	a. PA22/07884, Pencoise Works Tregony – proposed construction of a replacement dwelling, the demolition of a portion of the existing barn, alterations to the barn and the use of the remainder of the barn as a garage/store together with associated works.	
9/2023	Highway Matters –	
	a. Vehicular Damage, Town Hall – Members received the following updates:	
	 An enquiry had been sent to Highways and the Police with a copy to the Police Commissioner seeking information regarding the type / number of recent accidents on Fore Street. 	
	Mr Viv Bidgood, Highways had advised: CC maintains a formal accident site listing which currently extends to over 160 sites. The basic criteria for inclusion on the list are three or more injury (or worse) accidents within a three-year period, over a length of 100m or less. Damage only incidents are not formally recorded by the police. Thankfully, there have been no formally recorded accidents (injury or worse) in Grampound within the last 3 years, therefore, Grampound does not currently feature on the formal accident site listing. He hoped that provides some reassurance around where the concerns sit in the overall context of the wider network in Cornwall.	
	Members were disappointed to realise that of the four incidents in 2022 of vehicles mounting pavements with serious potential for injury, only one will be on the police records as a crime, one more as an incident and the other two not being recorded officially anywhere. The likelihood of accidents not being recorded does not seem consistent with the high risk of death or serious injury.	Clerk
	To date there had been no response from the Police. The Clerk to pursue for the February meeting.	Clerk
		Cllr. Bunney / Taylor
	Cllr. Taylor and County Cllr. Bunney will seek a site meeting with CC's Conservation Officer to consider [1] replacing the existing cement infill with lime mortar, [2] disabled access to the Town Hall and [3] placing the large Pentewan stones at the base of the wall.	
	It was AGREED it is not possible to make an application to the Windmill Fund at this time.	
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	 Mr Scott Pearce, Biffa's new Street Supervisor advised he will arrange for the bin they moved from the bench by the Town Hall to its original position by St Nun's railings. 	
11/2023	Administrative Matters – Members considered:	
	a. Notice Board – the Clerk and Cllr. Taylor now have keys to the notice board. The Clerk to seek Mr Geoff Hodgson's advice regarding repairs to the notice board by the school.	Clerk
	b. Parish Meeting – Members to give thought to `nominees for this year's citizen's event. Further discussion deferred to the February meeting.	Members / Clerk
12/2023	Documentation / Correspondence – not covered elsewhere on the agenda	
	 a. Devolution / Mayor for Cornwall – Members are invited to respond to the consultation https://letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/bigdeal. Closing date for comments is 17th February 2023. See also Minute 4b/2023. 	
	NOTE – public consultation events on the proposals are planned for:	
	 St Austell: 16 January 2023, 6.30pm: Penrice Academy Hall, Charlestown Road. 	
	Truro: 24 January 2023, 6.30pm: New County Hall, Treyew Road.	
	 Saltash: 26 January 2023, 6.30pm: Saltash Guildhall, Saltash Town Council, Lower Fore Street. 	
	 Penzance: 30 January 2023, 6.30pm: St Johns Hall, Alverton Street 	
	 Launceston: 7 February 2023, 6.30pm: Main Hall, Launceston Town Hall, Western Rd. 	
	b. National Tree Week – 2022 Newsletter previously emailed	
	c. Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust's Patient Leader Programme – details previously emailed	
13/2023	Diary Dates – details previously emailed.	
	a. Full Council Meeting – 16th February 2023.	
	b. Planning Meeting – see Minute 3b/2023 above.	
	c. CALC Meetings:	
	 CALC Annual Meeting – Tuesday 21st February 2023, at 7pm in the Shire Hall Suite, Bodmin. 	
	 CALC Affordable Housing Information Event – Wednesday 19th April 2023, from 4pm onwards at Heartlands Conference Centre, Pool 	
	d. Helping Local Councils understand the Govt consultation on planning changes 2023 – Teams briefing on Wednesday 8 February, 16.30-17.30.	
14/2023	Financial Matters – Members to consider.	
	a. Accounts for Payment – Payment Schedule to a value of £4,005.99 was APPROVED for payment.	
	b. 2022/23 Budget – Members considered their budgetary requirements and it was RESOLVED to accept the draft budget (previously circulated).	Clerk
	It was further RESOLVED to set the precept at £19,500.	
15/2023	Information Only / Future Agenda Items –	
	a. Terry and Tina Tyler – Members paid tribute to two former Parish Councillors who both passed away, within a week of each other.	

	It was AGREED to send a condolence card to their son. It was further AGREED to budget £50 for either a floral tribute or donation to a charity, whichever the family wishes.	Clerk
	b. Beer Festival – this event is returning on 3-4 March 2023 in the Village Hall.	
	c. Street Light – Cllr. Freer will provide details to the Clerk. Cllr. Bunney has already reported it.	Cllr. Freer / Clerk
	d. Welcome to Grampound Sign – Cllr. Wells volunteers to give it a clean.	Cllr. Wells
16/2023	Closed Session – in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was RESOLVED that it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.	
17/2023	Town Hall Cleaner – an advertisement had been placed in the <i>Grampound</i> Times for a cleaner for 5 hours p.m Ms Stephanie Cairns was appointed to the post and her salary agreed. The Clerk to provide her with a Contract of Employment once a commencement date is known – following re-opening of the Town Hall.	Clerk
18/2023	Fore Street Quotations – Members AGREED to:	
	Cross, Top of Grampound Hill – area around the cross to be cut back twice a year at a cost of £30+VAT per cut.	
	 Flowerbeds and Cutting of the grass verges – Mr Parkin-Jones had increased his charge by 8% w.e.f. 1st March 2023 to £108+VAT per cut. 	
19/2023	Meeting Closed –	

Signature:		(Cllr. Mark Taylor)
	Parish Council Chair	

Date: 16th February 2023