

**Minutes of a Meeting of Tywardreath & Par Parish Council held on Thursday 5th
June 2014 at Par Ruming Track Pavilion at 7.00 pm**

Present Cllrs Wildish, Allen, Brasier, Foster, Hughes, Johnston, Phillips and Taylor

In attendance Parish Clerk, Sally Vincent
Cornwall Councillor D. Scrafton
3 members of the public

14/22 Apologies Cllr Fowler. PCSO Rebecca Harris

14/23 Declaration of interests

Pecuniary - None

Non Registerable – None

Dispensations - Cllr Hughes has been granted a dispensation by the Parish Clerk in any matters pertaining to allotments, effective until 2017.

14/24 Public Questions / Police Report

Public Questions

Peter Harold from Hidden Valley Gardens expressed concern about the proposed turbine at Polharmon Farm and queried how the consultation process worked between the parish council and Cornwall Council. The Chairman confirmed that members of the public could attend the parish council meeting when the application was being considered and address the members. However, to date no formal application had been lodged.

Police Report

PCSO Harris had supplied the crime figures for May. There had been 9 recorded crimes during the month, with none detected, and 29 police logs created - 3 x assault, 1 x criminal damage to a vehicle, 1 x criminal damage, 4 x other.

14/25 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 1st May 2014

APM It was proposed by Cllr Phillips, seconded Cllr Taylor and RESOLVED that the minutes be approved for accuracy.

Annual Meeting of the Council. It was proposed by Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr Brasier and RESOLVED that the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

14/26 Matters arising not on the agenda (for report only)

None

14/27 To receive the County Councillors reports

Cllr Scrafton reported

- The Wainhomes application for 44 houses in Par would be before the planning committee on 7th July
- The ramps along the Par Beach road would be painted in the near future, which would allow the signage to be removed

Councillor Taylor reported

- The annual round of Chairman/Vice Chairman elections was currently taking place at County Hall
- Speeding traffic was still a major concern in Tywardreath Highway but he was hoping that further enforcement measures would be introduced to help address the problem

Cllr Hughes reported

- A 30 mph repeater sign had been erected outside his house, which he welcomed but he assured colleagues that he had been unaware of the scheme until the sign had appeared.
- He was hoping to arrange a walkabout in the parish with Teresa Frost to look at various Highway issues

14/28 To receive reports from Parish Council Representatives

Luxilyan Valley Partnership. Cllr Johnston reported that there had been a problem with CC officers trying to dictate to other Group members, particularly in respect of the Community Fund. He was hopeful that things would now improve following a useful pre meeting get together of the parish council representatives.

14/29 To receive and note minutes of Parish Council Committees

Planning – minutes noted

Environment – It was agreed that the Clerk would not automatically call Environment Meetings every month; Committee members would contact her with agenda items if they wished to meet.

14/30 Correspondence List

The correspondence list had been circulated and the file was available for Cllrs attention.

14/31 Accounts for Approval

Cllr Hughes proposed, Cllr Johnston seconded and it was RESOLVED that the accounts to the value of £687.42 be approved.

The request for funding from Tywardreath Trotters had been withdrawn as it had been sourced elsewhere

14/32 Resolutions from Councillors

None.

14/33 Public Conveniences in the Parish

Cllr Hughes reported that there had been a meeting the previous week at county hall when a deal that FTC had put forward in respect of the transfer of the Fowey toilets had been well received. He suggested that a similar approach could be taken by Tywardreath & Par parish council.

14/34 Tywardreath Allotments

Cllr Hughes reported that Jonny Alford had assured him that instructions had been passed on to CC legal to progress the transfer.

14/35 Par Bay Skatepark Project

Big Local had promised the group 40K match funding, which was very encouraging. Gill Butler had raised concern that Inspired Facilities and Biffa grants required the applicant to be the named leaseholder and also that the lease length to be at least 15 years. This could cause problems as the Tempus lease was shorter than this and the current plan was that it would be transferred to the parish council, not SK8. However, it was noted that Martin Eddy was already working with CC property to ensure that a lease can be arranged to allow the funding to be applied for.

14/36 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Hughes reported that the next meeting was scheduled to be held at Fowey Town Hall on 16th June at 7pm, with everybody welcome to attend. The Clerk confirmed that a letter had been received from Lostwithiel Town Council formally requesting to join the group. FTC, Lanlivery and Tywardreath & Par had already resolved to accept their application but confirmation was still awaited from St Sampson, the fourth member of the Castledore NP Group.

14/37 Children's Play Equipment in the Parish

Cllr Hughes had spoken to Martin Eddy about play equipment and he had confirmed that Cornwall Council was not in a position to fund the refurbishment of all the seven designated play areas in the parish. He was hopeful that some funding could be forthcoming if one site was prioritised; personally he considered the best site would be in the centre of Tywardreath village behind Vine Place as the Par Beach facility was hopefully now secured. Other members were unconvinced that this was a suitable site, given the close proximity of the adjacent bungalows. It was agreed that the Environment Committee would look further into this matter.

14/38 The Centenary of the First World War

Cllr Johnston reported that the Par Old Cornwall Society were staging an exhibition at Gott Hall on 11th to 13th July. The Parade and Service would take place at Par Running Track on 3rd August starting at 3pm. If wet this would take place at Tywardreath Church. There would also be a small display of memorabilia at the St Blazey community shop on 8th and 9th August. The next meeting would take place at 4pm on 6th June

14/39 Parish Councillor's Reports

Cllr Foster reported that Par Methodist Church was celebrating its 150th anniversary on 8th June, with a service at 11am

Cllr Johnston reported that the environment agency was rebuilding the path adjacent to St Andrews Road Garage

Cllr Wildish reported the second stage of training for the flood wardens had not been organised; she considered that it was imperative that this was rectified before the winter

Cllr Foster reported that the erection of the boardwalks down on the marsh path had caused the stream to flood into the marsh, which could well cause difficulties at St Andrews Road Pond.

It was proposed by Cllr Hughes seconded Cllr Phillips and RESOLVED that the press and public should be excluded under Section 1 (2) of the Press & Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted in connection with the co-option of a Councillor

Appendix 1

Fowey, Lostwithiel & St Blazey Community Network Meeting Monday 27th January 7pm at The Burrows Centre Lamellyn Rd Par

There was a short presentation from Jeremy Rowe Cornwall Councillor Portfolio holder for Cornwall Council for Devolution and Localism before a quite rigorous question and answer time from the Councillors present who represented 8 local town and parish councils. It was pointed out that Networks are the only recognised way for parishes to exchange views and share problems and approaching County collectively since the demise of district councils but their effectiveness was hampered by having no budgets or decision making powers. Jeremy Rowe said Launceston was one of the most effective network areas in the county but he had visited a town in Wiltshire which dealt with many local issues having the advantage of a budget this was well attended by the public, which is quite different from the apathy found in Cornwall. It was pointed out our network has had success with joint planning for Flood defences and parishes were cooperating over neighbourhood plans.

St Blaise had forwarded their Neighbourhood plan minutes. Lostwithiel are joining the Castle Dore Neighbourhood Plan group of Par and Tywardreath, Golant, Lanlivery and Fowey who have no formal minutes as yet but are meeting regularly. It was felt liaison between both groups would be mutually beneficial

On the subject of budget setting it was felt that this will be last year parish precepts are not capped.

Anne Boosey Deputy Mayor of Fowey complained about the slow responses from County concerning the devolution of assets including the closing of toilets. County Councillors Bert Biscoe and Edwina Hannaford were in favour of parishes taking responsibility for toilets etc but were frustrated by non-cooperation from council officers. How can parishes be expected to take on running of these essential services but not given any way of providing money like a car parks tariffs to help pay for them It was also pointed out it was very unfair to hand over assets that were in poor repair. Her remarks were agreed with by other councillors. Jeremy Rowe offered to meet representatives from Fowey.

Updates

Par Big Local with St Blaise Council have leased a shop in the precinct at St Blazey and I it was proving very useful.

The Community Flood Forum Flood Recovery group have received a grant of £1/4 from DEFRA and Lostwithiel have had Devon and Dorset Fire Brigade down to see their training programme.

Par Beach Management partnership. Doug Scrafton reported the footpaths over the beach have been officially designated and he has the definitive map. There has been a successful beach clean.

Anne Boosey complained about the unnecessary waste of money involved with the proposed blanket 20 mph speed limit through Fowey which county had identified as a village !! Apparently "they" are following new government guide lines about reviewing speed limits

Next meeting in April to be confirmed