Minutes of a meeting of Landulph Parish Council held on Monday 20 July 2015 at 7.30pm in the Landulph Memorial Hall Annexe, Landulph

PRESENT: Councillors G Stevenson (Chairman), E M Armstrong, Mrs G Braund, Mrs R Cradick, D Peck, C Wyman.

Also present: Councillor D Pugh, Ms K Williams - Clerk to the Council.

34-15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - none.

35-15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Cradick relating to Planning items PA15/05475 and PA15/05076.

36-15 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were amended accordingly, and were then taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman. Thanks were passed to Cllr Wyman for acting as Chairman.

37-15 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) The Council wished to minute the sadness and sympathy expressed relating to the sudden passing of Councillor Reg Rice. Tribute was paid to his many years of service to the Parish Council, and it was noted that he would be sorely missed.
- b) Pursuant to minute 24-15f) Cllr Wyman advised that he had inspected the picnic tables and seats at the Recreation Ground, and advised that no works were required at this stage, but suggested they continue to be monitored for any deterioration.
- c) Pursuant to minute 29-15b) it was reported that the cheque and copy of the insurance policy had been received from Saltash Cricket Club.
- d) Pursuant to minute 32-15a) the Chairman reported that Chris Billing had been instructed to undertake work to cut the hedges, and that the Parish Council would write to Cornwall Council to request a refund of the money. [ACTION: Clerk]. Cornwall Council had equipment nearby on A388 but did not cut these hedges. There was also a request for the hedges to be cut near Stockadon on the approach to the main road. [ACTION: Landulph Parish Council to write to the landowner – Mr Williams].

38-15 POLICE REPORT

The July monthly Police bulletin was received, circulated and noted.

39-15 PLANNING

a) PA15/05475 Outline application for new dwelling at Land Adjacent Cymaran and Crumple Park, Cargreen: Mr and Mrs Channings (also for discussion - two letters from parishioners in respect to this application).

It was RESOLVED that the following response would be given:

Landulph Parish Council objects to this planning application.

The principle objection lies in the proposed piecemeal development of the field between Cumple Park and Cymaran. This land is currently used primarily for agricultural purposes. Notwithstanding however, the field has been designated in the past as land suitable for the development of affordable housing, and will no doubt be incorporated as such in the parish's neighbourhood plan as it develops. Indeed, as the planning application states, there are now three affordable houses situated at the north end of the field.

At that time, concern was expressed about there being access to the site directly from Fore Street. At the time, the Planning Department agreed that any access should be routed by the affordable houses onto Coombe Drive, and through Coombe Lane to its junction with Fore Street.

As the planning application statement acknowledges under para 5, the proposed development is contrary to current policies. Furthermore, the Council believes that the arguments in favour put forward in the statement are incorrect, ingenuous and misleading. The Council can see no "special circumstances" justifying the building of a solitary house in this part of the countryside. Contrary to the assertions in para 8, Cargreen does not have a good level of services. In fact it has almost none.

The mobile shop visits the village for no more than one hour per week. There are no other shops. The public house closed its doors over five years ago. There is just a once a week shopping service by free bus to Waitrose. This has closed down once, and seems likely to do so permanently due to lack of use. There is, currently, a part time GP surgery, but this too is likely to close down on the retirement of the GPs who attend.

There has been no public transport for more than ten years, so there is no way of accessing Landulph Church or the main line rail service from Saltash other than by car. The addition of one more house is not going to significantly help the growth of the parish to a size that will justify a regular bus service.

It is not clear what facilities are within walking distance of the site, and indeed, there are no footpaths or street lighting in this area of Fore Street.

The Council is unable to see how this would bring any economic benefits to the parish during construction, and as stated earlier, there are extremely scarce services available to future occupants.

In summary the, this particular planning application is inappropriate. The Council recognises the applicant's (Mr Channings) past association with the parish, and is sympathetic to his wish to return. Under the circumstances, the Council takes the view that the construction of any home should be at the north end of the land in question where it has already been agreed that road access should be sited.

- b) PA15/05076 Proposed construction of first floor extension over existing garage providing additional living accommodation from an existing room at Grove Cottage: Mr D Hall – APPROVED.
- c) PA15/05353 Construction of garage/store at Riverside Meadow, Fore Street: Mr N Cummings APPROVED.
- d) PA15/06332 Change of use of existing games room building to annex/holiday letting accommodation: Mr F Rogers, Kingsmill Park. For discussion only – Councillors agreed, for ratification at September's meeting.
- e) PA15/06374 Oak tree at 3 Hodders Way, Cargreen: Cornwall Council decided not to make a TPO noted.

40-15 PENYOKE RECREATION GROUND REFURBISHMENT – no discussion.

41-15 PENYOKE RECREATION GROUND SIGNS

Cllr Braund reported a problem with dogs and dogs' mess at the Penyoke Playing Field. The signs stating no dogs refer to the whole of the field and not just the playground enclosure. It was RESOLVED that more prominent signs would be put up, a suggestion to reposition the No Dogs Notice, and a notice placed in the Parish Newsletter. [ACTION: DP to investigate].

42-15 SOLAR FUNDS – UPDATE ON FINANCES – noted.

43-15 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

It was RESOLVED this would be a standing agenda item [ACTION: AGENDA].

Two meetings have been held and confirmation of Steering Group positions: Marcus Forbes – Chairman; Tim Bell – Vice Chairman; John Hall – Treasurer; Jenny Turridge – Secretary; Jo Butcher – Fundraising; Tim Burns – Surveys, etc.

The Steering Group is preparing a list of stakeholder, everyone in the Parish is to be consulted. Representatives from the Group are invited to attend the Cluster meeting on 28.7.15, 7.30pm in Botus Fleming Church Hall.

The Steering Group made a formal request and it was RESOLVED that the Parish Council would release the ring-fenced funding of £229.22. [ACTION: cheque to be sent; next AGENDA]. The Steering Group also requested whether the Council would consider a loan of £1000 to the Steering Group for printing, training, room bookings etc. A grant would be applied for and the £1000 paid back to the Council once the grant was received. It was RESOLVED that this £1000 loan would be given. [ACTION: next AGENDA].

44-15 CONFIRMATION OF VICE CHAIRMAN POSITION

Councillor Armstrong confirmed his acceptance and signed the documentation.

45-15 COUNCIL VACANCY

Following the sad passing of Cllr Rice, a notice of a Councillor Vacancy has been placed (on 17 July), and if the Returning Officer (to Cornwall Council) receives fewer than ten written requests for an election by 6th August 2015 the Parish Council will fill the vacancy by co-option. It was RESOLVED that this would be considered at the September Parish Council meeting, rather than a separate Parish Council meeting being convened.

46-15 PARISH COUNCIL BANK ACCOUNT PROVIDER

There was a discussion concerning the difficulties arising from inconsistent rules concerning signatories for transferring funds between accounts. It was RESOLVED that another bank provider for the Parish Council funds would be sought. [ACTION: Chairman/Parish Clerk].

47-15 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Mr N Johnson request for a donation to Landulph churchyard. It was RESOLVED that a donation of £150 would be given, but the Council asked for it to be reported that it has been long time since the churchyard was maintained. [ACTION: Cheque NEXT AGENDA].
- b) Sheryll Murray MP re her surgeries and staff noted, and placed on noticeboard.
- c) Sheryll Murray MP re statements from the Department of Energy and Climate Change, and Department for Communities and Local Government noted. Neighbourhood Planning Group to consider.
- d) Cllr Edwina Hannaford, Cornwall Council re change in sending paper copies of planning applications to local councils. The Parish Council discussed the implications and felt the I

September deadline was too short notice. Also, the Council has no facility to print large plans, there are Broadband/IT issues, and that it is Cornwall's duty to consult the public appropriately. The alternative needs to be fit for purpose. The Clerk also advised that she uses her own personal laptop for Parish Council work in her home, but would be unwilling to use this at a public meeting.

- e) Case for Cornwall response from CALC noted
- f) Cornwall Gateway community network area priorities noted, Cllr Stevenson to attend the meeting.
- g) Dr John Sewart's request for assistance in finding relatives Cllr Braund advised she had passed this on to the parishioner concerned.

48-15 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – approved.

PAYEE	CHEQUE	REASON	NET	VAT	GROSS
Gideon Barrett	100950	Remedial work to climbing frame	460.00	0.00	460.00
HMRC	100951	Tax (July I 5)	50.40	0.00	50.40
K J Williams	100952	Salary (July I 5)	201.65	0.00	201.65

49-15 CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS

- a) Clock is two minutes slow noted.
- b) PEC Renewables Ltd solar farm at Ernesettle. <u>www.plymouthenergycommunity.com</u> further investigation required [ACTION: Next AGENDA].
- c) Carkeel Roundabout Public exhibition <u>www.cornwall.gov.uk/trafficconsult</u>. Deadline for comments is 19.8.15.
- d) Rural Services Network it was RESOLVED that the Clerk would cease circulating these emails.
- e) Road Closure at Ellbridge it was RESOLVED that Landulph Parish Council would contact GEW2 to discuss compensation. [ACTION: Cllr Stevenson to draft letter].

50-15 ANY OTHER BUSINESS - none.

51-15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 21 September, 7.30pm, Landulph Hall Annexe.

10 minute Public Forum followed the meeting (although no members of the public were available).

Part Two

Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public (including the press) shall be excluded from the meeting at this point due to the confidential nature of the agenda items to be discussed.

52-15 PENYOKE RECREATION GROUND QUOTATION – no discussion required.

53-15 VAT PAYMENTS

There was a discussion concerning VAT payments and the Solar Panel funding. It was RESOLVED that letters would be sent to the recipients of the funding, and a VAT claim form completed so the Council could reclaim the VAT payments. [ACTION: Clerk]. The Clerk reported that she was not in a position to advise the Council concerning the ownership / trust arrangements with the Hall, and suggested that specialist legal advice should be sought over this matter.

Meeting closed at 8.45pmC	Chairman
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