

# Landrake with St Erney Parish Council

## Minutes of Full Parish Council meeting Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7pm: Venue: Sir Robert Geffery Memorial Hall (main room)

**Present:** Cllrs Mervyn Gingell (Chairman), Graeme Francis (Vice Chairman), Sarah Walker, Patricia Barton, Penny Mathers, Rosemary Savery, Dawn Morris and Nigel Owen

**In attendance:** Mrs K J Heald, Parish Clerk, Cornwall Councillor Martin Worth and five members of the public.

**62. Welcome and introductions from the Chairman (A.I.1)**

All Councillors introduced themselves to members of the public, detailing their roles within their Council and how long they have been a Parish Councillor.

**63. To receive declarations of interests on any agenda item and if relevant to approve any requests for dispensations. (A.I.2)**

Cllr Savery declared an interest in agenda item 8, minute 68c, planning application for Treluggan.

**64. Open forum and Cornwall Councillor report (15 – 30 minutes) (A.I.3)**

Comments raised during the Open Forum:

- **Cornwall Council devolution deal / mayor for Cornwall:** A member of public attended an event in Saltash regarding the Devolution Deal / proposals for a mayor. He was disappointed not to see any members of the Parish Council present. Attendees were permitted to ask one question. The parishioner asked the following questions (i) If a mayor is not elected would Cornwall still get a the money (*sic* funding from the devolution deal) (ii) will there be an opportunity to ask Cornwall Council for a referendum on the election of a mayor.  
The Chairman responded the deal has been discussed by the Council and Councillors have responded to the consultation. The Clerk said the consultation regarding the devolution deal had passed. Cornwall Councillor Martin Worth joined discussion responding he had been in a meeting today (14<sup>th</sup> March 2023) where the Cabinet decision was due to be on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023. The officiating officer had advised the cabinet papers are 870 pages and therefore, due to the detail of the papers and that there is so much else going on Cornwall Council's leader made the decision to delay the Cabinet discussion on the Devolution Deal a week. An extraordinary meeting will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023. The agenda will be published and report on the consultation on the proposed Devolution Deal will be published a week before this meeting. CC Martin Worth added his personal opinion, and the general feeling amongst the Council, is that there will be a referendum but the question is not likely to be "*do you think there should be a mayor for Cornwall*" but probably question along the lines of "*do you want a change in governance and the deal that goes with for Cornwall Council*". The deal is not specific to Cornwall. CC Martin Worth's fear is, as this will be primary legislation, if the result of a referendum is 'no', the funding could go back for of the queue for at least 10 years (irrelevant of the who is in government as this would be primary legislation). Cllr Walker asked CC Martin Worth to elaborate on the meaning of a new system of governance. CC Martin Worth replied currently there 87 members of Cornwall Council and at the moment the ruling party makes the decision on the leader. A new form of governance, if it agreed, approximately 350,000 people would make the decision, i.e., the people of Cornwall, would choose the leader / mayor for Cornwall. The Level 3 County Deal would enable a greater range of things, such as setting own levels of business rates, levels of adult and social care and parking fees..
- **Meldon Park / West Lane:** The issues of an area in West Lane area were raised. Historically, there have been reports to Cornwall Council and prior to that with Caradon District Council. The ongoing problems of anti-social behaviour and environmental issues were highlighted, and a plea was made for the Parish Council to tackle the problem.
- **Cornwall Councillor Martin Worth:**
  - **The Overview and Scrutiny Committee** was held today. Business plans for Conserv and Treveth (Companies owned by Cornwall Council), Newquay Airport and Celtic Sea Power, the

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flow of offshore wind opportunity, were reviewed. (Likely to become the largest offshore site in the world, creating jobs and career opportunities).

- **Car parking charges:** Cornwall Council's public consultation on car park charges closes on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023. Currently there are 120 tariffs in Cornwall. The revision reduces the number of car park tariffs to three. CC are encouraging people to use Just Park but will still retain cash and card touch in car parks. Some car park machines have been upgraded.
  - **Council Tax for second homes:** CC have been lobbying the government on Council Tax for second homes and are trying to get the legislation through by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, but it is looking like this will not get through within the parliamentary time and won't go through until 2025. Potentially, this could annually raise 25 million pounds.
  - **South West Water:** Cllr Gingell asked CC Martin Worth if there has been discussion about provision of water in the South West. The hose pipe ban could be for some time and if there are more houses being built has there been any talk of looking ahead for a new reservoir? CC Martin Worth responded there had not been anything discussed at Cornwall Council.
  - **Cornish Mines:** Cllr Savery asked a question about Cornish mines. Following a family members connection with a Cornish mine project, she understood one mines that does not have any arsenic in it and asked about the possibility of storage clear water that runs through this mine. Cllr Savery agreed to forward details to CC Martin Worth for investigation.
- **Bus update:** There has been new bus service provisions in the area.

## 65. Apologies for absence (A.I.5)

Apologies received from Cllr Savery, Cllr Barton and Cllr Smeardon

## 66. Matters arising from the previous meeting (A.I.6)

Cllr Gingell displayed the revised proposals for the Church Street parking restrictions (yellow lines) on the overhead projector. The revised proposals now exclude parking restrictions along Tideford Road. At the most, three lengths of car parking spaces will be lost. The Parish Council is waiting for the proposals to be sanctioned

## 67. Minutes of last meeting (A.I.7)

It was proposed by Cllr Francis seconded by Cllr Mathers and unanimously agreed by all Councillors the minutes of Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023 are approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting. **Resolved.**

## 68. Planning consultee decisions and planning updates (A.I.8)

### a. Meldon Park – updates and images on recent activities

Cllr Gingell displayed photographs buildings on Meldon Park, which were built without planning permission. Historically, due to data protection legislation Cornwall Council were unable to provide updates. It was agreed Cornwall Council's Environmental Protection Officer should be informed about the issues.

### b. Mobile phone mast: Pre-consultation response for proposed radio base station installation at CRN25410 Grass verge of School Road, Landrake with St Erney, Landrake, Cornwall, PL12 5DZ. NGR E: 237465 N: 060675. (note the this is a reduced size from the mast submitted on planning application PA23/00259.

Cllr Gingell displayed all the options put forward by Clarke Telecom on the overhead projector. \ Some of the proposals sit just within the Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs) CC Worth joined the meeting adding he sits on the board of Tamar Valley AONB. The organisation does not stop development. It is used as a last resort. CC Martin Worth added he supports the need for improved 4G and 5G networks but is not in support of the proposed favoured location, put forward by Clarke Telecom.

All Councillors agreed, for the reasons previously given when the last planning application for the same location was given, that the developers proposed location is totally unsuitable.

Cllr Francis read an email from National Highways stating they cannot release control of this land around the junction with the A38(T). See Minute 69.

It was proposed by Cllr Walker, seconded by Cllr Gingell and unanimously agreed by all Councillors that the Council recommends the following options:

Grid reference E 237205 N 060831 / E 237092 Y 060923 / E 237113 Y 060853 - Pound Hill

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Grid reference E 237821 N 060604 Greenfield - Land to the north of Quarry Lane.

Grid reference E 237822 N 060601: Greenfield, Quarry Lane.

**Resolved.**

20:03 Cllr Savery left the meeting,

c. **Proposal for New boat shed, Treluggan Boatyard, Markwell, Landrake**

**Applicant: Mr Will Stirling, Treluggan Boatyard.**

**Grid ref: 237908 / 58294**

**To consider Landrake with St Erney consultee response for planning application PA23/01168.**

It was proposed by Cllr Gingell, seconded by Cllr Walker and unanimously agreed by all Councillors that the Council supports this application. It was agreed the Clerk would query why this application has been resubmitted. **Resolved.**

20:06 Cllr Savery returned to the meeting.

c. **Update on Cornwall Council planning decisions**

PA23/00259 – radio mast - withdrawn

PA23/00371 – Penquite – certificate for lawful use for dwelling

PA22/11117 – Trewint Farm St Erney – agricultural building and pond

PA23/00723 – St Erney House windows – AONB acceptable

**69. Protection of green space (A.I.9)**

To review communication from National Highways regarding potential lease or rent land from us to enhance the look and feel of the village entrance on the verges .

Cllr Francis had sent an email to National Highways detailing the Parish Council and our local Environmental and Sustainability group community efforts over the last 2-3 years to improve the look of the village entrance. The request asked National Highways if it was possible for the Parish Council to formally lease or rent the land which forms the village entrance from National Highways. To continue to improve the look of the village entrance · To enable the Parish Council to have a greater say and influence in planning matters affecting the village entrance.

A response had been received from National Highways stating “We have considered your request carefully. The grass verge to which you refer to is actually a visibility splay which is an important safety feature. This enables drivers using the junction to see and be seen by others. It is important the visibility splay is managed in accordance with the current standards to which we're required to comply. We have a Highway Inspection and Management process in place to ensure this.

Due to highway safety reasons, we cannot release control of this land around the junction with the A38(T). We are sorry this may seem disappointing to you however I am sure you will understand that our primary objective is to ensure the safety of people using the A38.”

**70. Finance (A.I.10)**

a. **To note the Council's bank balance.** £15,104.74 in Unity Trust and £50,740.00 in Nationwide

b. **Clerk's finance report.**

The Clerk's finance report was reviewed and noted.

c. **Appointment of Internal Auditor**

It was proposed by Cllr Gingell, seconded by Cllr Cartledge-Claus unanimously agreed by all Councillors to approve Mr Ian Biffen as the Council's Internal Auditor, at a cost of £150.00. **Resolved.**

d. **Council payments**

**Approval of payments as detailed** (where applicable amounts include reclaimable V.A.T.) and to agree payment of any invoices received after the distribution of the agenda, presented in the meeting.

Recipient	Details	Amount
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Approved during the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Minute 86

Signed Cllr Mervyn Gingell, Chairman of the Council

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Duchy Defibrillators	Annual monitoring fee	228.00
Karenza Heald	Mileage – March 2023	11.25
Karenza Heald	Office Admin costs	7.79
Karenza Heald	Clerk’s Wages and home office allowance: January, February, March 2023	1,205.60
HMRC	PAYE: January, February, March 2023	283.40
Sir Robert Geffery Memorial Hall	Hall hire: April 2022 to March 2023	253.00
Tim Lamerton	Maintenance	330.00

The Clerk said the agenda stated the Clerk’s wages were for January and February, but it should have also shown as including March **Resolved**.

It was proposed by Cllr Francis, seconded by Cllr Cartledge-Claus and unanimously agreed by all Councillors that the Council approves the payments as presented **Resolved**.

e. **To consider financial support to local charitable organisations**

It was proposed by Cllr Gingell, seconded by Cllr Mathers and unanimously agreed by all Councillors that the Council awards £75 to Saltash Foodbank and £75 to Cornwall Citizens Advice. **Resolved**.

f. **To consider financial support / gifts towards the Coronation of King Charles III.**

It was proposed by Cllr Cartledge-Claus and seconded by Cllr Mathers that that the Council commits £500 towards the hall hire costs and entertainment costs for a Kings Coronation Event in Sir Robert Geffery Memorial Hall The motion was carried with two abstentions **Resolved**.

## Standing items for update / reporting

**To minimise the timing of the meeting Councillors are asked to read submitted reports and submit comments / queries prior to the meeting.**

**71. Recreation Field (A.I.11)**

The ‘Pedestrians’ warning sign by the football field on the road towards Pillaton has disappeared.

Action: Contact Highways for replacement signage

**72. Village playground and village maintenance (A.I.12)**

- The kissing gates on Frenchmans Lane have disintegrated and need replacing.
- Branches on the lane near Highertown have come down. Cllr Gingell reported concern over Ash Die Back. Cornwall Council have contacted and photographs of the trees have been submitted
- The ‘take your rubbish home’ signage has been erected at Notter Bridge.
- Two young people, from the local youth group, have been regularly picking up litter.  
Action: Cllr Gingell to get the names of the individuals so that an official letter of thanks can be written sent to them.
- The ‘slow... children’ signage has been put in West Lane.

**73. Environmental Sustainability Working Group (A.I.13)**

Cllr Mathers reported the ironmongers are still being chased. Successful tree planting has taken place at place in Landrake.

**74. Community Network Panel (A.I.14)**

Meeting to take place on tomorrow.

**75. Saltash Area Road Safety (SARS) (A.I.15)**

The meeting was cancelled.

**76. A38 Trerulefoot to Carkeel Safety Project (A.I.16)**

No updates.

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77. **Community Broadband** (A.I.17).  
No update.
78. **Bullers Arms – update** (A.I.18)  
No update

## Actions / Items to note.

79. **Correspondence** (A.I.19)
- **Local Government Bulletins**
  - **National Association of Local Councils:** Chief Executive Bulletin
  - **Cornwall Council:** Local maintenance Partnership
  - **Cornwall Council, Cornwall Gateway CNA, Community Link Officer:** Town and Parish Councils - Supporting your community address low level crime.
  - **Cornwall Council, Cornwall Gateway CNA, Community Link Officer:** Launch of a Community Bus Project in Southeast Cornwall. <sup>i</sup>
  - **Cornwall Council:** \*New\* Affordable Housing Team Newsletter (March)
  - **Rural Services Network:** Funding Digest and bulletins.
  - **Cornwall Association of Local Councils:** Civility and Respect Project Newsletter: March 23
  - **Members of the public**
    - Lost ways of the Parish (Ramblers map)
    - Erection of large barn at Penquite and query whether planning permission has been obtained.

CC Martin Worth provided an update on the additional bus service which utilises the school buses on their routes back. See appendix 1.

80. **To go through outstanding actions from the previous meetings.** (A.I.20) Noted.
81. **Date of next meeting (14<sup>th</sup> April 2023), to agree the date and time for the Annual Parish meeting and to put forward future items for consideration at the next meeting.** (A.I.21)  
Annual Parish meeting to take place in May 2023.

## **The meeting closed at 9:10**

Cllr Francis thanked CC Martin Worth for facilitating a grant of £263 towards refurbishment of the kitchen water heater repairs. (total cost approx. £600).

**Councillors remained in the meeting for a Sir Robert Geffery Sole Trustees meeting..**

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- An exciting and unprecedented joint project between Saltash Red Bus, Go Cornwall Bus and Cornwall Council to be launched on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.
- Cornwall Council are funding this through our Community Transport Scheme. All Groups that receive funding through this scheme have to comply with our required criteria of drivers going through Enhanced

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Child & Adult Workforce DBS checks, MiDAS Training and additional Safeguarding Training and all funded journeys need to meet a social need that is currently not met by other Public Transport options.

- These routes will be operated under a Section 22 licence.
- As these routes are funded through the CC CT scheme, there was no requirement for procurement for these services, SRB and GCB approached us with a plan to ask if CC could assist with funding, we did not contract SRB for these services.
- Saltash Red Bus will be undertaking the full operation of these services.
- Go Cornwall Bus have supported with the supply of Ticket Machines, timing of routes and support with admin.
- Cornwall Council have supported with the Registration process and funding through our CT scheme.
- We are starting off with a handful of varied routes to test the water and uptake of this transport with the intention to review and develop the services if they are well received and supported.
- The initial routes target villages and communities that currently do not have access to Local Bus services or these routes will offer new travel options to residents to link them to towns and areas where they are able to access shops, health appointments or social appointments.
- Local Members & Cllrs need to get behind these services and encourage residents to use and support them to help them become financially sustainable and give them longevity.

<b>454 - Thursdays</b>		
<b>Thursdays Only, school days and Vacs, no Bank Holiday Service</b>		
Cargreen	0905	
Hatt, Garage	0920	
Botus Fleming, Rising Sun	0925	
Hatt, Garage	0930	*Connects to Service 12 to Callington/Launceston/Bude at 0934
Tamar View Nurseries	0938	
Carkeel, Waitrose	0943	
Carkeel, B&M	0945	
Carkeel, Home Bargains	0949	
Carkeel, Lidl	0951	
Callington Rd, Leisure Centre	0955	
Fore Street, Bottom	1000	*Connects with 71 due 1007
Fore Street, Bottom	1350	
Callington Rd, Leisure Centre	1355	
Carkeel, Lidl	1400	
Carkeel, Home Bargains	1402	
Carkeel, Waitrose	1406	
Carkeel, B&M	1408	
Tamar View Nurseries	1413	
Hatt, Garage	1420	*Connects to Service 12 from Callington/Launceston/Bude at 1415
Botus Fleming, Rising Sun	1425	
Cargreen, Fore Street	1440	