

LANDRAKE with ST ERNEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Geffery Memorial Hall, Landrake on Tuesday 14th October 2014 at 7.00 pm.

Present – Mr G Knowles, Chairman

Miss P Barton, Mrs H Cartledge-Claus, Messrs M Gingell,
N Owen, Mrs R Savery, Messrs M J Tamblyn and M Webster

Mr D Pugh, Cornwall Councillor.

PCSO's T Comwell and N Jaycock

Messrs J Cummins, A Farrell and I Whittaker, Members of the public.

OPEN FORUM

A report from the Police gave details of the crimes that had occurred during the last month including a burglary in Home Park and a dog not under proper control in Church Street. There were also a number of incidents that had been brought to the attention of the Police and logged as necessary.

Mr I Whittaker expressed his concern at the proposed development at Broadmoor Farm, Saltash and the impact that the increased traffic would have on the surrounding roads.

Mrs R Savery stated that the plans for a Tesco store off Carkeel roundabout had been put on hold for the present time. Temporary traffic lights are to be installed at Carkeel roundabout to aid the flow of traffic at peak times. A meeting will be held at Saltash Community College on 28th October 2014 to enable the public to see the proposals for the Broadmoor Farm development.

Discussion took place on the problems caused by an increasing amount of traffic on the A38 particularly between Carkeel Roundabout and Trerulefoot and the impact that this has on the A38 through Landrake.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs M Cornfield, Dr S Walker and Mrs S Newell (representing the Landrake Neighbourhood Association)

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 9th September 2014 having been circulated were taken as read, approved as a correct record and authorised to be signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Recreation Field

The Chairman reported that there had been a number of resignations from the Recreation Field Sub Committee and in order for discussion to take place on this matter it was agreed to adjourn the meeting to allow Mr A Farrell, a member of the sub committee to speak to the Council.

Mr Farrell reported that the field had been well used over the summer months and a rota had been in place to check the field on a regular basis, empty the litter bins etc. It is likely to be used less over the winter months and it was not known what progress had been made with regard to the proposed skate ramp.

It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Mr A Moir to check on the progress with the skate ramp and to arrange for the keys etc to be passed over to the Parish Council.

Following discussion on the future management of the field it was agreed to advertise for potential new committee members, find out as much as possible regarding the running of the committee etc and make a decision on the future management of the field in March 2015.

3.2 Sir Robert Geffery Memorial Hall

The Chairman reported that the recent Open Day had been a success and had given parishioners the opportunity to see the improvements to the village hall.

Discussion took place on the future use of the Solomon Browne Room and the Chairman stated that the Hall Committee would be interested in taking on the use of the room as they are currently receiving enquiries for the use of the Hall which they are unable to satisfy due to the level of bookings already in place. The Hall Committee were willing to take on the room as it is and to carry out any refurbishment considered necessary.

Mr M Gingell raised the question as to who legally owns the Hall and the Solomon Browne Room which would need to be tied in to the Hall. Following consideration it was agreed to obtain this information and to consider this matter further at the next Parish Council meeting.

The Chairman also reported on a recent gift from the Worship Company of Ironmongers of £2,000.00 to enable the purchase of the balance of tables, chairs and chair trolleys required for the Hall. It was agreed that a letter of appreciation be sent to the Ironmongers.

3.3 Village Playground and Bus Shelters

Mr M Webster expressed his concern regarding the amount of dog waste in the litter bins and it was agreed to put up suitable notices stating 'No dog waste in bins'. The Chairman reported that the refuse collectors will not empty the waste bins in the playground as these come under the description of 'Parks and Playgrounds'.

The Clerk reported that the cost of replacing the fence along the side of the playground, to include materials and labour, would be in the region of £2,000.00. It was also considered necessary to look at renewing the safety matting and possibly some of the playground equipment in due course, and to consider additional matting from the entrance gate to form a path of matting through the playground.

Following consideration it was agreed to form a sub committee comprising the Chairman, Mrs H Cartledge-Claus and Mr M Gingell to look into this matter, and also sources of grant funding.

It was noted that Paul Lamerton will, in future, carry out the cleaning of the bus shelters.

3.4 Village Street cleaning

It was noted that the general village maintenance was up to date. It was noted that Mr P Lamerton would shortly be away for three weeks but it was noted that this was not expected to impact on the cleanliness of the village.

It was noted that the steps to Highertown now have reflective paint on the edges which was dealt with by P Lamerton.

3.5 Landrake Ball Committee

The Chairman reported that the Council were now in possession of the assets and the amount of £803.24 which will be ring fenced in the Parish Council's bank account. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the Ball Committee acknowledging receipts of the assets and money and confirming how it would be treated by the Parish Council.

3.6 Landrake Carnival Committee

The Chairman also reported that the same situation applied to the Carnival Committee in that the Parish Council were now in possession of the assets and the amount of £171.51 which was being treated in the same manner as the funds etc from the Ball Committee. It was also agreed to acknowledge the receipt of the assets and money.

3.7 Cluster meeting – 3rd November 2014

It was noted that this meeting will now be held on the above date in the Geffery Memorial Hall starting at 7.00 pm.

3.8 School Road, Landrake

The Chairman reported that he had attended a meeting with Mrs J Curtis and the Clerk when Mrs Curtis expressed her concern with regard to the parking problems at School times and at times the attitude of some parents towards this problem.

It was noted that on most days the school car park is full, with up to a further twelve cars belonging to teachers and staff having to park on the road. The school are looking at the possibility of creating up to 10 extra parking spaces on school ground off Lowertown Close.

The Chairman suggested that it may be worth investigating whether a member of the Parish Council could be on the school governing body although it was thought that this may not be possible due to a change made by the Government a few years ago. It was agreed to speak to Mr T Arroll on this matter who was the last Parish Councillor to act in this capacity.

3.9 Playground Maintenance and Inspection

Mr M Gingell reported that ROSPA carry out half day training course specifically for playground inspections with the cost being £250.00 plus £25.00 for the inspection manual. The nearest training course would be at Exeter and it would also be necessary to pay for Paul Lamerton's time if he attended such a course.

If this was to be arranged then Paul Lamerton could carry out the regular maintenance and the annual inspection could still be done by Mogford Associates of Truro. It would then ensure that the regular maintenance is carried out in a proper manner and would offer protection to the Parish Council.

Following consideration it was agreed that arrangements should be made for Paul Lamerton to undertake this training course and to take on this additional work.

3.10 Parish Pump, Church Street, Landrake

Following a report by the Clerk it was agreed to arrange for the repair work to be carried out at the above location. It was expected that the work would cost no more than £200.00.

4. FINANCE

4.1 Income

None

4.2 Expenditure

E.on – Electricity Solomon Browne Room	£33.18
P Lamerton – Village maintenance	£185.40

The above accounts were approved for payment.

4.3 Other Financial Business

4.3.1 Cornwall Council – Precept 2015 – 16

The Clerk reported that the continuation of the Council Tax Support Grant will be adjusted in accordance with reductions in Government funding and the estimate is that there will be a reduction of 15% in 2015 – 16 compared to the current year and thereafter reductions of 10% a year in the medium term.

This information was received and noted.

4.3.2 Landrake with St Erney Parochial Church Council

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter thanking the Parish Council for the donation of £750.00 towards the cost of cutting the grass in the churchyards of Landrake and St Erney.

5. PLANNING

5.1 Planning Applications

PA14/02447 – CEG Land Promotions Ltd, W H Bond & Sons Ltd –
Land at Broadmoor Farm, Stoketon, Saltash

Outline application for a mixed use residential led development to include up to 1,000 residential units, care home up to 80 beds or sheltered housing up to 50 units or a combination thereof. Up to 6 hectares of employment land, One neighbourhood centre, convenience store with parking, landscaping works including a village square. Hotel of up to 60 bedrooms with associated parking. Education facilities including a primary school; open spaces, outdoor sports provision etc. Infrastructure, highway and access works as required.

In the discussion that took place on this application concern was expressed regarding the impact on the roads in the vicinity of the site, the proposed building of 1,000 houses as it was thought that this was to be reduced to half that number and pollution concerns from increased traffic in the Landrake and Tideford areas.

It was agreed that the observations of this Council should be based on the above comments.

5.2 Planning Decisions

None.

5.3 Planning Correspondence and Reports

5.3.1 Update on Enforcement Cases

Further information is still awaited in respect of the proposed enforcement action relating to the Stables at Notter Bridge.

A brief report was given in respect of the current situation regarding enforcement action at Meldon Park

5.3.2 Mera Park, Landrake

Information was received via Mrs S Newell that a scheme is being worked up for the proposed development at Mera Park and whilst it will be presented in due course for public consultation it will not be the final version. The developers indicated that they will listen to what the community have to say in respect of their proposals.

5.3.3 Neighbourhood Development Plan

In the absence of Dr S Walker the following report had been provided for the meeting –

The survey forms had been distributed in September and so far 150 have been returned.

The ‘drop in’ session at the Hall which was attended by representatives of CRCC was poorly attended.

Work has started on the quantitative and qualitative analysis of the survey forms and will be completed by the end of October. Two members of CRCC will then attend the next meeting of the Committee to help produce a draft consultation for the parish.

Details of expenditure for the first three months have been submitted to the Community Development Foundation, and there is still the amount of £400.00 to use before the end of the year.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Landrake ‘Yellow Page’

Mr M Webster stated that the Landrake ‘Yellow Page’ was now in need of updating as the current one was now over two years old.

6.2 Saltash Area Road Safety Committee

Mrs R Savery reported on the recent meeting of the above Committee when it was noted that the Committee are pushing for improvements to the junction with the A38 at the entrance to Landrake village.

It was also noted that temporary traffic lights are to be installed at Carkeel roundabout to assist the flow of traffic at peak times.

6.3 Parish Defibrillator

Miss P Barton raised the idea of a parish defibrillator which would normally cost £2,500.00 but with a contribution of £500.00 from the supplier. Following consideration it was agreed to place this matter on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

6.4 Footpath from Home Park to A38

The Chairman reported that the above footpath has barriers by the A38 which prevents mobility scooters from using this path to reach the village. Following consideration it was agreed to ask for these barriers to be removed.

7. NEW CORRESPONDENCE AND BUSINESS

None

8. NEWSLETTERS AND REPORTS

- 8.1 Saltash Policing Team –Monthly Bulletin October 2014
- 8.2 ‘The Clerk’ September 2014 Vol.45 No.5
- 8.3 Cornwall Council – Information Bulletin 18th September 2014
- 8.4 Saltash Area Road Safety Committee – Minutes of Meeting 14th July 2014

9. DATES OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 18th November 2014 (Half year financial review)

Tuesday 16th December 2014 (If required)

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 9.44 pm.

G L Knowles
Chairman, Landrake with St Erney Parish Council

18th November 2014