

# TREVERBYN PARISH COUNCIL

## **COUNCIL MEETING held on December 12<sup>th</sup> 2023 at Rockhill Business Park.**

Present: Councillors – Cllr Mrs. A Roberts (Chairman), Cllr L Allen, Cllr G Hooper, Cllr M Luke, Cllr Mrs. M Rance-Matthews, Cllr K Pollard, Cllr M Shand, Cllr K Stephens, County Councillor P Guest, the Clerk D Stevens and Deputy Clerk D Hawken.

Apologies: There were no apologies received. Non-apology: Cllr P Highland and Cllr G Tregidga

Declarations of Interest: None

There was one member of the public present, a prospective new Councillor.

### **Min 114/23 Minutes of meeting held on November 28<sup>th</sup> 2023**

The minutes of the meeting held on November 28<sup>th</sup> 2023 had been circulated and were approved. Proposed by Cllr M Luke, seconded by Cllr L Allen. All in favour.

### **Min 115/23 Matters arising from the minutes**

There were a few matters arising that would not be included in agenda items

- Council were informed of a recent meeting with Peter Crawford. A most positive meeting was held and following a site visit to Beam Lane and the Skateboard Park, the proposal of transferring ownership of the wooded area from Wainhomes to the Parish Council was mooted (pending talks and the green light from management at Wainhomes).
- Councillors were notified that Wes Pascoe visited the office prior to his departure. Various ongoing issues in the Parish were discussed. Thanks were conveyed regarding landscaping improvements made at Carloggas.
- Work had now been completed by our Maintenance Contractor regarding overgrown vegetation issues on Treverbyn Road, Stenalees.
- The Clerk provided Council with an update regarding the site clearance work that has started on the land of the old Molinnis Institute. Progress has been made, however, a pause owing to inclement weather has now commenced and will restart in the Spring.
- The Clerk informed Council that the Deputy Clerk received an introductory session regarding the CiLCA Course. The enrolment will now take place imminently.
- Councillors were notified that work to replace the wooden bridge at Ruddlemoor had already started and that work was ongoing. A full replacement was necessary rather than a repair.
- Min 106/23 – (ii), the potential Enforcement issue at Ruddlemoor was reported in the Planning meeting
- Min 106/23 – (iii), Cllr M Luke was asked to provide an update on the land in Trethurgy that he has made enquires with Imerys about. Nothing has been forthcoming and no update to relay to Council. Cllr M Luke was asked if he was acting on behalf of the Parish Council or Trethurgy Village Hall, to which Cllr M Luke replied ‘both’.

- It was noted that Imerys would need to be asked to trim the overgrown trees on Roche Road, opposite the surgery. **Action: to contact Jeremy Elvins**
- Council were updated as to the footpath and street lighting difficulties near to the Wheal Rose development on Roche Road in the earlier Planning Meeting
- Similarly, the area of Bluebarrows concerning numerous caravans was covered in the earlier Planning Meeting.
- The Clerk informed Council that the traffic stop light signal issue at the lower Molinnis crossing had been dealt with and cordially reported to network Rail.
- Councillors were notified that there had been no communication from Roger Gates appertaining to potential Section 106 / CIL monies in the Parish. **Action: to contact Roger Gates**
- The Clerk informed Council that the 2024 Precept claim had been submitted.
- The Deputy Clerk informed Council that the wording of the survey, to be distributed to residents of the White River Valley, had been sent to the Office for approval and for any additional comments. It was returned to Cllr A Double who has coordinated on this matter.

#### **Min 116/23 County Councillor's Report**

- County Councillor M Luke informed Council that he recently attended the CAP Meeting at Treviscoe. In addition, there has been a licensing meeting that was to review policy. He reported that he has been continuing work with key personnel on new footpath signage in the area. Lastly, Council were informed that Cllr M Luke has attended a meeting at Eden and was pleased to report that the geothermal site is now heating the biomes.
- County Councillor Mr P Guest had circulated a comprehensive written report. (See attached). Furthermore, County Councillor P Guest relayed key information on the Metro Project. It was agreed that key personnel relating to this very project, particularly Neil Sandland, be invited to a Parish Council meeting in due course.

#### **Min 117/23 Matters within the Parish**

- (i) Cllr K Stephens informed Council that he had spoken to several users of the Skateboard Park. Upon canvassing their individual thoughts on the future use of the space, a pump track was very much high on their list of options. Secondly, an all-weather pitch was suggested in addition to an assault course. This information was relayed to Councillors and Cllr K Stephens was thanked for feeding this back to Council
- (ii) Cllr K Pollard informed Council that there is a drainage issue on Roche Rd, near to the car-park. When road resurfacing took place in June '23, the attention of the subsequent drains was not forthcoming. **Action: to report to Highways**
- (iii) Cllr M Luke thanked the Office for organising the Christmas meal that was held the previous Tuesday
- (iv) Cllr L Allen reported to Council that a wooden step on Parish Footpath 1, near to AMPS in Trethowel had broken. **Action: Maintenance contractor to remedy.** Secondly, Cllr L Allen reported a street light not to be working in Trethowel. **Action: Deputy Clerk to report**

- (v) Cllr M Shand reported that the man-hole cover issue on Stannary Road had yet to be rectified. A team had carried out a site visit, however, the maintenance work by Openreach had yet to be completed.
- (vi) The Clerk informed Council that the Level Crossing work at Molinnis, undertaken by Network Rail, to repair a defective road traffic light was scheduled for Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December between the hours of 10pm and 6am
- (vii) A resident of Lower Molinnis has contacted the Office enquiring about the site of the old Molinnis Institute. The reason for this correspondence was to state that nearby residents should have been notified of this clearance in advance. It was suggested that a sign be erected informing residents what was happening and its future intended use.
- (viii) The Deputy Clerk informed Councillors that correspondence had been received from Cllr Anne Double appertaining to the wording of the survey that was going out imminently to residents of the White River Valley relating to the ongoing concerns of traffic.
- (ix) The Deputy Clerk informed Council that a resident in Trethewel was encountering severe difficulties with the flow of water coming into his property from a nearby adjacent gully. Following a site visit with the resident and Jeremy Elvins of Imerys, the matter was now being investigated.

#### **Min 118/23 Finance**

Councillors were presented with a list of Income & Expenditure Accounts for the period December 12<sup>th</sup> 2023. A detailed breakdown of transactions was provided by the Clerk and it was agreed that the accounts be approved, proposed by Cllr M Shand, seconded by Cllr L Allen. All in favour

##### (a) Friends of Treverbyn Academy

Councillors were made aware of a rather sensitive and confidential matter that has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council, by Treverbyn Academy, regarding the extreme difficulties encountered by a family living within the Parish. The children attend Treverbyn Academy. In order to provide support at this most difficult and emotional time, it was decided to award a one-off Section 137 grant under exceptional circumstances to the Friends of Treverbyn Academy in order to support the children within the family this Christmas. It was decided to provide a grant of £350. Proposed: Cllr G Hooper, Seconded: Cllr M Shand. All in Favour.

#### **Min 119/23 Correspondence**

- Councillors were notified of a recent face-to-face public consultation event concerning the Par Desalination Project.
- Correspondence has been received from Citizens Advice (Cornwall) concerning saving money on your bills and keeping warm this winter. The information will be relayed to those residing in the Parish
- County Councillor P Guest informed Council that there is a drop-in roadshow regarding the food waste, recycling and rubbish changes to be held at Roche on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December for those residents that missed the roadshow at Bugle.

### **Min 120/23 Feedback on recent CAP Meeting**

Those that attended the recent CAP meeting, provided Council with an update on matters that were discussed. The Inspector, Matt Trevivian provided attendees with ASB figures for the whole CAP area, with a further breakdown of figures provided for each Parish. Furthermore, the Inspector relayed what the three priorities are for the St Austell Station over the coming months. Roger Gates provided an update on the id Cornwall Metro Project, A30 Link Road Complementary Measures, Old Carclaze School and School Transport. There was also a report on the 2021-2025 Highways Scheme. To conclude, it was agreed to refresh and redesign the Clays Strategy document.

### **Min 121/23 Old Carclaze School**

Further to recent confidential correspondence, Council were notified of the outcome of the affordable housing scheme that was put forward. It has since been withdrawn and the decision made, to put the site on the open market. Property Services will now commence the asset release process, the first stage of which is consultation with the Parish Council. It was discussed in detail whether or not the Parish Council would have a potential interest in the asset, being part of, or the site in full. It was decided to proceed by registering an interest in the old school car-park. The deadline for such interest would be 8 weeks from the date of correspondence (28<sup>th</sup> November). Proposed: Cllr M Shand, Seconded: Cllr M Luke. All in Favour. **Action: Register of interest**

### **Min 122/23 Neighbourhood Plan**

The Neighbourhood Plan Committee Chairman, Cllr M Shand notified Council that a recent meeting did not have the desired quorum to make decisions on the progression of the plan. Cllr M Shand subsequently emailed committee members to gain a consensus in adopting the proposals put forward on the night. Cllr K Stephens was asked his opinion to which he stated his support to proceed with the Paul Webber draft document. It was agreed that information appertaining to gypsy and traveller sites would need be included and that contact with Cllr Dick Cole should be sought as soon as possible to glean this much needed information to implement into the plan.

### **Min 123/23 Treverbyn Community Hall**

There is increasing anti-social behaviour occurring in the community which has been happening for some time, but the consensus is that the frequency seems to be increasing. The Trustees of The Hall are discussing the best way to go about this and are reporting all incidents but there is more happening in the community such as signs being spray painted, damage to the park, windows smashed at an unoccupied property on Bandhouse Lane. It is understood that the bowling club recently had a break-in. The Hall have experienced criminal damage, theft and eggs being thrown at the front door and windows. The Hall are looking to start a Neighbourhood Watch scheme in Treverbyn and have all the paperwork to complete in due course. The Hall have requested that this information is passed on to Steve Tibbles with an aim of organising a community meeting to discuss. The Hall are having to now install CCTV as they are due to close for the festive period on Friday 15th. The Hall have requested that the Parish Council can attend and support in bringing this situation to an end before it gets out of control.

It was also reported that the bin at The Hall is overflowing in addition to two benches that have now ended up in the nearby stream.

**Min 124/23 Emergency Items**

The Clerk circulated to Councillors, the dates of all diarised meetings to be held in 2024.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked Councillors for their attendance and wished all present, a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

Meeting declared closed at 8:37pm

..... (Chairman)

..... (Date)