

# TREVERBYN PARISH COUNCIL

## ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING

held on June 25<sup>th</sup> 2024 at Parish Offices, Rockhill Business Park.

**Present:** Councillors – Cllr Mrs. A Roberts (Chairman), Cllr L Allen, Cllr Mrs. A Double, Cllr P Highland, Cllr G Hooper, Cllr Mrs. J Killacky, Cllr M Luke, Cllr Mrs. M Rance-Matthews, Cllr K Pollard, Cllr M Shand, Cllr G Tregidga, Cornwall Councillor P Guest, Clerk D Stevens and Deputy Clerk D Hawken.

**Apologies:** There were apologies received from: Cllr B Hollis and Cllr K Stephens

**Declarations of Interest:** None

**Members of the public present:** There were no members of the public in attendance.

### **Min 57/24 Public Participation**

No members of the public were present.

### **Min 58/24 Minutes of meeting held on May 28<sup>th</sup> 2024**

The minutes of the meeting held on May 28<sup>th</sup> 2024 had been circulated and were approved. Proposed by Cllr L Allen, Seconded by Cllr M Shand. All in favour.

### **Min 59/24 Matters arising from the minutes**

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

- Min 50/24 – Overgrown vegetation on Stannary Rd has now been reported to Highways.
- Min 50/24 – Poor and inadequate road markings on the mini-roundabout on Treverbyn Rd, St Austell have now been logged with Highways.
- Min 50/24 – The relaying of road markings at Bugle Square would not be possible owing to HGV use.
- Min 50/24 – The Clerk informed Councillors that he had spoken to Mr Hooper, regarding the road condition of Red Lane, Bugle.

- Min 50/24 - It was confirmed to Council that the recently reported building works on a property at Ruddlemoor had not sought planning permission. Further clarification to Councillors was relayed, including confirmation that the matter has now been reported to Cornwall Council Planning Enforcement.
- Min 50/24 - The Clerk relayed to Council; a letter received from Clays Veterans FC regarding the possible future use of Molinnis Park. Furthermore, an email reply from one of the Trustees of the land, Mr Paul Tucker was read to Council that included information on the historical conveyance dating back to 1929.
- Min 52/24 – It was noted that the ‘Listening to Residents’ session to be held at St Stephen, hosted by Linda Taylor (Leader of Cornwall Council) was to be postponed owing to the General Election period.

### **Min 60/24 Annual Council Meeting**

The minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2024 were circulated in advance of the meeting for ratification by Full Council. They will be approved in full at the Annual Council Meeting in 2025. Proposed: Cllr M Luke, Seconded: Cllr Mrs. M Rance-Matthews. All in Favour

### **Min 61/24 Cornwall Councillor Reports**

- Cornwall Councillor P Guest had submitted a written report in advance of the meeting which was circulated via email to all members in advance. (see attached). There were no questions from Councillors on its content
- Councillor M Luke had not submitted a written report in advance of the meeting

### **Min 62/24 Matters of interest within the Parish**

- Cllr M Shand informed Council that a large tree stump was obstructing a Parish Footpath (424/12/1). **Action: Office to inform the Maintenance team for its immediate attention**
- Cllr G Tregidga relayed to Council, concerns in Penwithick amongst residents regarding a general feeling of being forgotten and neglected. There are overgrown parks, no youth club et al. A suggestion has been put forward to hold a public community consultation meeting to discuss what could be done and to find a way

forward. **Action: Cllr G Tregidga to source some possible dates to relay to the office**

- Further clarification was provided to confirm that both play areas in Penwithick were the responsibility of Cornwall Council
- Cornwall Councillor P Guest confirmed that the Christmas Day Dinner, previously held at Treverbyn Community Hall will in December of this year, be held at Penwithick.
- Cllr Mrs. A Double informed Councillors that she was seeking further updates regarding the ongoing White River Valley Highway talks.
- Cllr P Highland stated that a 'give way' sign on the exit of the new development at Red Lane would be most beneficial. Furthermore, a request was made to enquire whether a 'Residents Only' sign could be erected at the commencement of Red Lane. **Action: Office to contact Rachael Tatlow of Highways**
- Cllr Mrs. J Killacky raised ongoing concerns regarding access issues and the poor visibility for drivers, exiting the Carnsmerry estate onto the main road. The Clerk provided assurances that proposals have been tabled to remove the verges adjacent to the main road to accommodate some off-road parking to alleviate the issues.
- Cllr K Pollard informed Council of the damaged wall at Bugle Car Park. Assurances were provided to full council that the Office were undertaking routine enquiries to ascertain the cause of such damage and the circumstances involved. A repair of the wall would also be prioritised. In addition, Cllr K Pollard commented on the excess speed of traffic on Roche Rd, Bugle as well as the need for a pavement. **Action: Office to contact Highways**
- Cllr M Luke informed Council that the Rum Distillery at Eden has now secured funding to start their operations.
- Cllr Mrs. M Rance-Matthews informed Council that several low branches were now causing concern for pedestrians on the path side of the village green at Ruddlemoor. Secondly, a traffic bollard is in need of being replaced outside of 'Chinook'. Lastly, it was reported that horses were being ridden on Ruddlemoor Green. **Action: 1) Office to report all matters**

- The Clerk informed Council of water issues in the village of Trethurgy on Knightor Road. Reports have been forthcoming regarding the water supply, notable low pressure and a discolouring that requires constant filtering.
- Correspondence was relayed to Council regarding the draft report appertaining to the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Strategy. The Parish Council concerns have been noted and Councillors approved the entry that the Senior Researcher has written to be included in its finding to be submitted to Cornwall Council in due course.
- Confirmation was provided to Councillors regarding Devolution. The Office is actively pressing the Devolution team at Cornwall Council for an update on its various projects that are in the pipeline, including the recent expression of interest in taking over the play area at New Molinnis.
- The following footpath closure was relayed to Councillors:
  1. Parish Footpath 8                      Closed from 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024 to June 2025

### **Min 63/24 Finance**

Councillors were presented with a list of Income & Expenditure Accounts for the period June 25<sup>th</sup> 2024. A detailed breakdown of transactions was provided by the Clerk and it was agreed that the accounts be approved. Proposed: Cllr L Allen, Seconded: Cllr Mrs. A Double. All in favour

### **Internal Audit**

Councillors were provided with a clear and detailed breakdown of the recent internal audit carried out by Roy Sandey. It was **RESOLVED** to approve. Proposed: Cllr Mrs. A Double, Seconded: Cllr L Allen. All in Favour

### **Min 64/24 Correspondence**

The Clerk informed Councillors of the following correspondence:

- Webinar opportunity for Planning Permission and Development for Businesses. To be held on 11<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm.
- CALC - Upcoming events and Training Opportunities for Summer 2024. (Email has been circulated to all Councillors).

- Speak Cornish Week – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Min 65/24 Staffing / Finance and General Purposes Meeting Minutes**

Minutes of the recent Staffing / Finance and General Purposes meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> June were circulated in advance of the Full Council meeting for perusal. It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes as a true and accurate record and thus, accept the recommendations put forward by the committee for implementation. Proposed: Cllr M Shand, Seconded: Cllr L Allen. All in Favour

The next Staffing / Finance and General Purposes Meeting is to be held on 16<sup>th</sup> July at 6:30pm

### **Min 66/24 Standing Orders / Financial Regulations**

It was **RESOLVED** to agree the text of both the revised Standing Orders and Financial Regulations (pending some very minor alterations raised and duly noted). Both documents would now be placed in the public domain for a period of one month before full adoption and ratification at the next Full Council meeting in July.

#### **Standing Orders**

Proposed: Cllr M Shand, Seconded: Cllr M Luke. All in Favour

#### **Financial Regulations**

Proposed: Cllr Mrs. A Double, Seconded: Cllr Mrs. J Killacky. All in Favour

*Cllr Mrs. A Double expressed her thanks and appreciation to the committee and the Clerk's for all their hard work that has gone into preparing and producing both documents*

### **Min 67/24 China Clay Area and Luxulyan Community Area Partnership Meeting, including Annual General meeting Feedback**

A detailed appraisal was relayed to Council following the recent CAP meeting held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Its included:

- Election of Chair and Vice-Chair, Calendar of Meetings and Terms of Reference
- Community Area Partnerships: Year one Review
- Imerys British Lithium Project Presentation from Mr Peter Larwood
- Organisational Strategic Partner Updates from Devon and Cornwall Police (Sector Inspector Matt Trevivian) and Emma Trethewey (CLT Representative)
- Action Plan from Mr Roger Gates
- Details regarding renewable energy provision and capacity in the CAP area
- Highways Scheme details 2021/2025
- Update on CCF and CLUP funding in the CAP

#### **Min 68/24 Emergency Items**

- The Deputy Clerk informed Councillors that the Council has now fully signed up to the Civility and Respect pledge. A gentle reminder was relayed as to what the pledge entails and the commitments made following resolution at the Annual Council Meeting in May '24
- The Clerk will be diarising a meeting of the Treverbyn Parish Community Fund in due course pending availability of its trustees.
- Following discussion, it was agreed to diarise a meeting of the Footpath / Rights of Way Committee on the 16th July at 6pm

#### **Min 69/24 Confidential Items**

There were no confidential items raised

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked Councillors for their attendance.

Meeting declared closed at 8:21pm.

..... (Chairman)

..... (Date)

## **Cornwall Councillor Report - P Guest**

**JUNE 2024**

You may have noticed that a General Election has been called for the 4<sup>th</sup> July. Given that, there are strict guidelines in place about what I can and cannot talk about during 'Purdah' which is the lead up to the election and as I write this, we are currently in the middle of the Purdah period.

I will avoid all political comment in this report apart from saying that, regardless of your political beliefs, I hope you take the opportunity to vote.

We recently commemorated the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the D.Day landings. Given all the political hyperbole flying around, the 6<sup>th</sup> of June was an opportunity for us all to put a bit of perspective on life and take a moment to reflect on that historic event. I was fortunate enough to attend various commemorative events around the area and had the honour of saying a few words in New County Hall at the start of business on that momentous day.

I've attached a copy of my speech and think I will leave my article there for this month.

Peter.

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## **D.DAY SPEECH**

**6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 1944 IS A DATE ETCHED INTO THE HISTORY OF THIS NATION. TODAY, WE SHOULD COMMEMORATE AND REMEMBER THOSE BRAVE SOULS WHO WERE PART OF THE [AT THAT TIME] LARGEST NAVAL, AIR AND LAND OPERATION IN HISTORY INVOLVING ABOUT 320 THOUSAND ALLIED TROOPS.**

**ON A PERSONAL LEVEL, THIS DAY HAS HELD A PARTICULARLY POIGNANT SIGNIFICENCE FOR ME. ON JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup> 1994 THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF D.DAY, I LOST MY FATHER, MAJOR TOM GUEST OF THE ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS. HE HAD BEEN ILL FOR SOME TIME, BUT I AM CONVINCED THAT THE OLD SOLDIER IN HIM HELD ON UNTIL THAT SIGNIFICENT EVENT.**

**FAST FORWARD 10 YEARS TO THE 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY IN 2004, WHEN I HAD THE HONOUR AND THE PRIVILEGE TO HOST VETERANS ATTENDING THE COMMEMORATION EVENTS IN NORMANDY. I'VE LED AN EVENTFUL LIFE BUT THIS IS ONE OF MY MOST PRECIOUS MEMORIES THAT I LOOK BACK ON WITH CONSIDERABLE PRIDE.**

**AS I SAID PREVIOUSLY, APPROXIMATELY 320 THOUSAND WENT, NOT ALL CAME BACK, AND SADLY, OLD FATHER TIME ENSURES THAT THE NUMBER OF VETERANS DECREASES EACH YEAR. WHAT TIME CANNOT DIMINISH IS THE GRATITUDE WE SHOULD FEEL FOR THESE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHOSE SACRIFICES CAN NEVER BE FORGOTTEN.**

**I WOULD LIKE TO CLOSE BY READING AN EXCERPT OF THE POEM 'FOR THE FALLEN' WRITTEN BY LAURENCE BINYON IN 1914. THE WORDS WILL BE FAMILIAR TO YOU BUT SHOULD TAKE ON EXTRA SIGNIFICENCE ON THIS DAY OF REMEMBRANCE AND COMMEMORATION AS WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US AND SALUTE THOSE STILL WITH US. AND THEN, FOLLOW IT WITH A BRIEF PERIOD OF REFLECTION.**

**THEY SHALL NOT GROW OLD AS WE THAT ARE LEFT GROW OLD,**

**AGE SHALL NOT WEARY THEM NOR THE YEARS CONDEMN,  
AT THE GOING DOWN OF THE SUN AND IN THE MORNING  
WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.**

**PETER.**