

CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

Held at Cardinham Parish Hall on Tuesday 21st November 2017

Present: Councillors J Best, K Morris, P Claridge, M Ridgewell, G Rogers, S Smart, P Tucker, T Irwin. County Cllr C Batters and speakers Rachel Beadle, representative for Scott Mann MP, and Steve Foster from the Community Network's Highways Team. There were 5 members of the public present.

The Chair welcomed Rachel Beadle and Steve Foster who had both kindly agreed to attend to speak, listen and answer questions on the issue of speeding in the parish and the possibility of having a lower speed limit, perhaps to 40mph, on rural roads.

There was a good discussion about the issues facing the parish. There were suggestions such as improved signage, slow signs painted on roads and improved quality of the roads which could help in reducing speeds. There is also the issue of enforcement of any speed restrictions, which would be difficult particularly in rural areas and there are drivers that ignore speed limits anyway.

Steve Foster is currently looking into having a 40mph speed limit on Bodmin Moor. There were suggestions for areas where signage could be beneficial. Rachel Beadle has noted all the points raised and will take these back to Scott Mann's Office.

The Chair thanked both speakers for attending and they both then left the meeting.

County Councillor

Councillor Batters had dealt with the following issues:

- Bridleway no 2 – Cllr Batters met with the landowner regarding issues with this bridleway.
- Drainage issues outside the school – Cormac has emptied the gullies.
- Peaches Hill – tree not yet done. Chair will contact the relevant parishioner.
- Speeding – Cllr Batters has organized speed checks in other areas and, if Cardinham PC requested it, he could arrange for one to be carried out in Cardinham Parish.

The Chair asked about the sign on the bridge for Launceston/Blisland. It was agreed that the list of outstanding highways items re the A30 would be forwarded to Cllr Batters.

Cllr Batters asked for any requests re his budget to reach him before Christmas.

The Chair thanked Cllr Batters for attending and he then left the meeting.

Public Session

Issues raised:

- Grasscutting – the grassed areas are looking good and the contractor is doing a good job.

- Request for a schedule of work re Footpath no 2. To be added to next month's agenda.
- Query raised re the location on the website of last month's statement by the Council. It is in the Procedures section.

202/17 Apologies

Cllrs G Tucker.

203/17 Declaration of Interest

None.

204/17 Minutes of the Previous Meeting 21st November

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st November had been circulated. The minutes for the meeting held on 21st November were proposed by Cllr M Ridgewell and seconded by Cllr T Irwin as a true record of the meeting then signed by the Chair.

205/17 Matters Arising

- The school had replied to the Parish Council's email on speeding.
- The Transport Dept had replied to our letter regarding tractors.

206/17 Correspondence

Correspondence received from:

- Letter from member of the public regarding footpath in the parish
- Cornwall Council – reply to our enquiry about the Wind Turbine Community Benefit Fund policy
- Invitation to councillors to the localism summits
- Request from a TV company for participants (for grandparents)
- Superfast broadband update
- Training on minutes/agendas - £50 per delegate.
- Planning workshops - £12 per delegate
- Winter well being guide
- Trago pensioners advert

207/17 Finance Report and Payment of Accounts

The income and expenditure report for showed:

Receipts £nil Payments of £1548.20 made up of:

Lanhydrock Garden Services - £939.60

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Clerk's October wages (£295.20) and expenses (£8.50) - £303.70

October PAYE payment - £73.80

Calc Conference – 1 delegate - £12.00

Poppy Appeal – £17.00

Charge for stopped cheque no.907 - £12.50

Cllr S Smart proposed and Cllr P Tucker seconded to resolve to authorise the cheques for payment, all in favour.

208/18 Application for funding from County Councillors Budget

It was agreed that the Parish Council would apply for £300 from Cllr Batters towards another defibrillator and that an email be sent to Cllr Batters before Christmas to confirm this.

209/17 Precept and 2018/19 Budget

Cllr S Smart proposed the precept should remain the same as last year at £12,000. Cllr P Tucker seconded, all in favour.

First draft of budget prepared, councillors to check it over. Budget to be finalised at the next meeting.

210/17 Planning Applications

PA17/02977/PREAPP Mr and Mrs Dewar, Callybarrett Cottage, Callybarrett Road, Cardinham. Pre-application advice for proposed holiday let. No comments from the Parish Council.

211/17 Planning Decisions

Approvals: PA17/08738 Praise, Mill Millpool. Erection of 42 solar panels

Refusals: PA17/07965 Moor Cottage Construction of holiday let development comprising 5 deluxe moorland retreat units.

212/17 Boundary Commission's proposed changes

This was discussed and it was agreed that the Parish Council should find out what the other local councils think on this subject. Also find out which other parishes Cardinham would be linked with. The Councillors are concerned about the differences in the needs of rural and urban areas and the different issues that will affect them. They are worried that the urban areas issues will overshadow those of the rural areas and thus receive a disproportionate amount of funding for any issues raised.

213/17 Tourism Leaflets

The deadline for receipt of the photographs and text has been given as 30th November. It was proposed by Cllr G Rogers, seconded by Cllr P Tucker and agreed that this was not enough time and the clerk is to contact Rosemary Stone to let her know and also to ask what the new deadline will be. The volunteers who will coordinate the preparation of the text and photographs are Cllrs P Claridge, S Smart and T Irwin.

214/17 Defibrillator

No further action.

215/17 Footpaths

A letter has been received by a concerned member of the public, who was walking with a friend along the public footpaths in the area. They were confronted by a parishioner whose manner was quite aggressive. There is no waymarker on this path. Putting in a waymarker may help in alleviating the confusion as to where the pathway is located and consequently preventing further confrontations. Clerk to reply.

The meeting was suspended to allow the public a chance to speak on this matter. It was noted that this matter of the footpath is in hand with Cornwall Council but if it is a matter of building up the surface it may need to be a capital project. Surface maintenance would be the Council's responsibility. The meeting was resumed.

216/17 Speeding through the Parish

This was covered during the Speakers section above.

217/17 Change of meeting date

It was agreed to change next month's meeting date from Tuesday 19th to Wednesday 20th December.

218/17 Parish Matters

The outstanding Highways issues that relate to the A30 dualling were discussed and listed – to be confirmed with the Chair before being passed on to Cllr Batters to be auctioned.

219/17 Items for the next agenda

Finalised Budget 2018/19 as mentioned above.

For the following item - item 19, ie considering issues put forward relating to mediation, the Parish Council felt it was not required for this meeting to go into closed session as there were no new issues to be considered at this time.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.50pm.

Chairman:

Date: 21st November 2017.