

CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Cardinham Parish Hall on Tuesday 16th April 2024 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr G Tucker (Chair), Cllr L Sutton, Cllr A Bonker, Cllr P Claridge, Cllr K Morris, Cllr R Farley, Cllr G Rogers, Cllr T Irwin, J Wilson (Clerk/RFO). Three representatives from Wildanet. No members of the public were present.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the representatives from Wildanet who were attending to give a brief presentation on the forthcoming road closures that are planned.

058/24 Apologies

Cllr J Best, Cllr R Dyer, County Cllr J Cruse.

059/24 Declaration of Interests

None.

060/24 Public Session

Amanda Pennington, from Wildanet, a Cornish Company that is an internet service provider, gave a presentation on who Wildanet are and what they will be doing in the Cardinham area in the next few weeks regarding the scheme of road closures and installation of the infrastructure for the rollout of the fibre broadband. Chris set up the slides and explained that each phase of the road closures will have a generic diversion route. They will be contacting the bus and waste collection services to ensure all are aware of the diversions. Wildanet are working with Oakway Ltd, who are utility specialists. It was noted that they will mostly be using existing poles but a few additional ones may be needed. Letter will be going out to all those affected by the works, and there will be a weekly whereabouts notice – the Parish Council has requested to be copied in on this notice. Contact for Wildanet is Hello@wildanet.com

There followed a brief Q&A session which was very helpful. The Chair then thanked Amanda, Chris and John for attending and for the presentation. They then left the meeting.

061/24 County Councillors Report

Cllr Cruse had emailed her monthly report to the clerk this morning and the clerk had forwarded it to all councillors. Cllr Cruse was unable to attend due to having to attend a very long Full Council meeting for Cornwall Council. The report for this month and covered the following issues:

- Contacted Caradon Observatory for a speaker for the Annual meeting.
- Received information from Highways - necessary pipework at Millpool Chapel will take place at the end of April, to ameliorate the damage at the front of the chapel.
- Treslea unconsented site is in a state of dilapidation – enforcement requires it to be cleared by October 2024
- Pot holes have been reported.
- Full Council will be discussing land use and food security; children's dentistry health/lack of NHS dentistry

062/24 Minutes of the Previous Meeting held 26th March 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th March 2024 had been circulated. There were two amendments: 1. The comma on Bate's had been omitted – this was added 2. The information in correspondence on the Millpool water and sandbags had been omitted i.e. The issue of the water and sandbags at Millpool Chapel was discussed and it was agreed that this issue it not the responsibility of the Parish Council. The Parish Council has requested only that Cornwall Council Highways remove the sandbags". - this was added. The amended minutes for the meeting held on 26th March 2024 were proposed by Cllr P Claridge, seconded by Cllr K Morris. and agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by Cllr G Tucker.

063/24 Matters Arising

- The issue of the water and sandbags in Millpool was raised again – this time due to the information in Councillor Cruse's report i.e. the Highways works on the pipework on the drain by Millpool Chapel.
- It was agreed to write to Cornwall Council Highways querying this as follows:
 1. Why is this work being prioritised
 2. What is the timeline for the completion of the work
 3. The Councillors don't believe this is Highways responsibility and it shouldn't be done at public expense.
 4. Chair to agree it before it is sent. Send to Councillors and copy in Cllr Cruse.

064/24 Planning Decisions

None.

065/24 Planning Applications for Information only.

None.

066/24 Planning Applications

[PA24/01512](#). Mr and Mrs Cowen, Land North Of Colesloggett Barn Fletchersbridge Bodmin Cornwall PL30 4AT. Certificate of lawfulness for existing use as storage, a workshop and office for a picture framing business, Stable Art since 2012. (Case officer S Wearne)

It was proposed by Cllr T Irwin and seconded by Cllr K Morris that the Cardinham Parish Council had insufficient information available to them to be able to make an informed comment. All agreed.

067/24 Update on commemorating the D-Day Anniversary and Resolve on any action.

Cllr G Tucker had contacted the landowner and permission has been given to hold the Beacon event on 6th June. Mr Steve Best will provide the Beacon. Advertising will be done nearer the time – note this is a just the Beacon – there will be no BBQ or drinks available, though attendees are welcome to bring their own refreshments. Clerk to send details of the event to the Magazine for the June/July issue.

068/24 Update on the Speakers for this year's Annual Parish Meeting on 15th May.

Reuben King from the Forestry Commission is unfortunately unavailable on that day. We have not yet heard back from Gavin Smith so best to assume we need someone else. Cllr Cruse has been in contact with the Observatory to ask for someone to speak about Dark Skies. Cllr P Claridge

suggested contacting Ana to ask if she (or someone else) will give a refresher on the defibrillator training. Clerk to contact Ana and Cllr Cruse to arrange for these speakers to attend on 15th.

069/24 Consider and Agree reviewing Parish Council policies in line with NALC Models, i.e. Standing Orders and Financial Regulations and adding other policies as appropriate

It was agreed to go through and update the model policies in line with CALC/NALC models and send out to Councillors for review in time for the May meeting. The models (Standing Orders and Finance regulations) that Cardinham Council adopted previously are on our website and available for comparison.

070/24 Finance reports and payment of accounts

The receipts and payments report for April 2024 showed:

Receipts of £2447.17 for March - & Payments for April of £2012.28 made up of:

HMRC – Tax on clerk's wages - £96.40

J Wilson – Clerk's wages £386.52

J Wilson - Clerk's expenses £58.70

Cornwall ALC Ltd – Renew subscription for 24/25 - £373.00

Lanhydrock Garden Services – Grass Cutting - £377.66

Duchy Defibrillators Ltd – Replace Millpool Defibrillator - £720.00

Cllr L Sutton proposed and Cllr R Farley seconded to sign this month's cheques. All in favour. The clerk had prepared a Payments List, Budget to Actual comparison and a bank reconciliation for the current period. These were forwarded to all the Councillors. Cllrs G Tucker and P Claridge signed the cheques. Balance in Community a/c as at 16th April is £18,945, with expected income due before the end of April of £5000.00.

071/24 To Consider renewing CALC subscription for 24/25

Cllr L Sutton proposed and Cllr G Rogers seconded to renew the CALC subscription for 24/25. All in favour. Clerk to notify C.ALC

072/24 To Consider engagement of Internal Auditors for 23/24 Audit

Cllr P Claridge proposed and Cllr L Sutton seconded to retain Aalgaard Renshaw as the internal Auditors for the 23/24 year-end accounts audit. Clerk to notify Aalgaard Renshaw.

073/24 To Consider the increase in pricing by Lanhydrock Garden Services for the 24/25 year.

Cllr T Irwin proposed and Cllr K Morris seconded to accept the price increase, which was due to increase in hourly rate by 8% to reflect the increase in expenses, wages etc over the past couple of years. All agreed.

074/24 To Consider opening another account at Lloyds Bank, with internet banking facilities

Cllr P Claridge proposed and Cllr R Farley seconded to open an account for the Parish Council at Lloyds bank, due to the uncertainty surrounding small accounts at Barclays Bank. This new account to have internet banking capabilities. All agreed.

075/24 Correspondence

Two emails received from the following entities requesting funding from the Parish Council:

Badger Forest School
Little Margate Equestrian

It was agreed to contact CALC to confirm the types of organization that the Parish Council is legally allowed to support with contributions and donations. To be added to May agenda.

076/24 Highways

- Millpool – BT Manhole – water is coming out of the manhole and running down the road. W3W :///novels.fighters.curbed Clerk to report.

077/24 Footpaths.

Footpath issues:

- None.

078/24 Parish Matters

- Cllr R Farley noted that there have been problems with dogs off lead in the parish in various locations. Unfortunately, there is little the Parish Council can do about this issue.
- Clerk to look into how Cllr J Best could join meetings remotely to keep up to date with current issues.

079/24 Items for the next agenda

Insurance

AGM

Chair to join remotely if possible.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.36pm.

Chairman:

Date: 21/05/2024