

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 12th January 2023 at 19.30 hours in the Village Hall

Present at Meeting:

Chairman A Uren, Vice Chairman S. Paul. Councillors P Burden, A. Cox. J Bond – Clerk.

Members of the public: R Uglow, R Colville, owners of Candle Cottage

Apologies received from: Councillors H. Young and J Nettle both off sick

Declarations of Interest: n/a

Public participation:

R Colville was co-opted onto the Parish Council, proposed by Councillor Burden and seconded by Councillor Cox, all agreed and welcomed Councillor Colville. The Acceptance of Office and Register of Interests are to be completed and returned to Clerk at the next meeting for submission to the Electoral Office.

The **Planning Application PA22/09886** Candle Cottage, Tregeare was discussed with the applicants re Holiday cabin, shower, toilet facilities, bar and parking for holiday purposes.

The family have lived there for a long time and have built 2 lodges for family that visit regularly to see their mother and grandmother who live in the main house. It is a beautiful site with woodland, boating and bathing lake. They have already built a small bar and a composting toilet. They are now applying to use the site as an Airbnb for 6 people, using the lodges already there and plan to add an outdoor kitchen facility.

The impression given by the project title of "Glamping Site", with bar and toilet block is of a festival type camping site which has alarmed local residents. It was suggested that it would be worth changing the project title to show it would be just a b & b for 6, and to seek advice from the planning officer on this point. The applicants thanked the Council for their advice and left the meeting at 7.50pm.

Pleasure Ground. Clerk had written to R Uglow explaining the need to prove ownership/right to manage the ground. R Uglow is now the only remaining trustee, and has recently done the annual return at zero. He has discussed the matter with the Charity Commission but they have been unable to help provide any documentation on ownership/right to manage. He is unable to transfer responsibility to the Parish Council, it must be to named individuals. He has found a copy of the Recreation Ground statement by Enclosure Commissioners for two acres registration number 928 dated 2 June 1848. R. Uglow left the meeting at 8.20pm.

Options discussed were to leave it as it is or nominate two or more trustees. Any further help and advice will cost money and with unknown outcome. It was decided to try and find more information or documentation from Cornwall Council Records Office on the old map ref 928. Matter ongoing.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th November 2022 were formally and duly approved by the Chairman as a correct record.

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Launceston Medical Centre – it was noted that the queues do not appear to be as bad, it is still difficult to get through on the phone.

Playing field - Signage - A. Uren will be putting up the signs asking for dogs to be kept on a lead.

Playing Field Annual inspection repairs – P. Burden has spoken to C. Peerless, he will start repairs as soon as weather improves, we have had long periods of rain and the ground is waterlogged.

Picnic Tables – A. Uren to speak to his contact at S W Timber Products to supply two picnic tables.

Dog control. People are still not taking notice of the signs but photo evidence is needed for reporting to Cornwall Council. Need to find a way to ensure compliance, cameras, leaflets or fines??

Defibrillator training - Clerk to book for Thursday 25th May evening and advertise nearer the time asking for people to book. If a lot of people apply then a second booking can be made to accommodate.

Speeding in the village. The mobile vehicle activated sign (MVAS) will be redeployed in Egloskerry in May/June being term time to monitor school traffic. That data can then be used to identify any problems.

Tregeare Green. The grass has been selectively trimmed by Mr Horsey. Matter ongoing.

J Horsey has requested a "No Parking on the Green" sign. H. Young had also requested that there should be no parking on the Green. A. Uren is aware but has no option but to park on the gravel area on the end of the Green where the Chapel goers used to park. He has created some parking space to the rear of his property, he plans to create more when time and finance allow.

Tree for the Jubilee. The red beech has been planted on the grass triangle at the bottom of the Badharlick Hill. A Cox has some slate to use for a commemorative plaque. P. Burden to see if he can source a boulder to fix the plaque to, this would also protect the tree.

Broken or blocked drain in the Square after heavy rainfall. A photo/video is needed to show as location and evidence to be able to refer this on to Cornwall Council.

Station Road hedges – Clerk had reported overgrown hedges to Cornwall Council who responded saying it is not an immediate safety hazard and has been placed on the list for later consideration.

Finance:

Clerk had looked for an alternative bank account online with second signatory option. Lloyds have a Treasurer's account for charities and parish councils. HSBC are charging £5 a month for each account and 40p per cheque raised. The Lloyds account provides free banking managed online or by phone. For further discussion, ongoing.

The **register of equipment and assets** that is presented for audit annually needs to be reviewed and any equipment that has been scrapped should be removed from the list and the total adjusted. Copies of the list were distributed to councillors to consider for the next meeting.

Mr Baker at Azets has written to say he will be retiring in February 2023. Mr Wevill will be handling the account from then on.

1. Bank balances - 07/01/2023

- HSBC No. 1 A/c £3117.27 Parish Council Funds
- HSBC No. 2 A/c £2321.97 Turbary Funds

3. Cheques signed -

From HSBC No. 1 A/c – Parish Council Funds

Clerk's monthly salary Dec & Jan 2023 £ 338.40
M Prout cleaning Dec & Jan 2023 £ 40.00

Correspondence received:

Email from resident concerned about condition of the pavilion in the play area. C. Peerless has checked and added this work to his list.

Email from resident concerned about blocked culverts leading to water across the road. He has notified Cornwall Council but was not happy with the response. Cornwall Council have been seen to be regularly clearing ditches and culverts, any further problems will be noted and reported.

Any Other Business:

A Uren reported need for drainage on other side of North Lane. There is drainage on one side but not on the other and it is being washed out, Clerk to report on Council website.

Meeting closed at 21.40

Date of next meeting – Thursday 9th March 2023