

POLPERRO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 18 February 2013

Present

Chairman Cllr. D. Pengelly

Members

Cllr. D. Julian Cllr. P. Toms Cllr. J. Bryant
Cllr. E. Pilcher Cllr. C. Wakeham Cllr R. Davis

In Attendance

B. Jolliff (Clerk) Cllr. E. Hannaford B. Galipeau PCSO T. Barnes
Mr D. Blackmore

1 **OPEN SESSION**

1.1 Police Report

PCSO Barnes gave details of the six crimes recorded in the parish during January. This included one offence of dwelling burglary in the Brentfields area where the elderly victim was traumatised as a result. PCSO Barnes stressed that this was a very rare type of offence in the parish but reminded householders to be vigilant.

Members repeated their concerns over the excessive speed of a quad bike used in and around the village and this will be looked into by the officer.

- 1.2 David Blackmore from the St. Johns Ambulance attended the meeting and gave a presentation to members on the use of defibrillators within the community. This is an agenda item and members further discussed the issue as at item 11. Mr Blackmore was thanked for his attendance.

2 **CLOSED SESSION**

2.1 Apologies for Absence

Cllr. Collings Cllr. Gregory Cllr. Lightfoot Cllr. Buckley

3 **Members Matters**

- 3.1 Declarations of interests in matters to be discussed at this meeting
Nothing declared

- 3.2 Gifts and Hospitality
Nothing declared

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- 0068 RESOLVED to accept the minutes
- Proposed by Cllr. Julian, seconded by Cllr. Toms, resolution carried

5 Matters Arising

- 5.1 Item 1.3 – SWW has started its examination of the sewer beneath Big Green and further efforts will be made to resolve the problem
Item 17.1 – awaiting options from Cornwall Council and SSE

6 Finance

6.1 Financial Statement

Full details circulated to members for their information.

- 0069 RESOLVED to approve the financial statement, including expenditure from cheque numbers 201953 to 201958 inclusive, totalling £1113.53.
- Proposed by Cllr. Pilcher, seconded by Cllr. Wakeham, resolution carried

6.2 2013/2014 Precept

The Clerk gave further details of the precept figures as affected by the change in Council Tax Support Grants. This was noted by members.

7 Planning

7.1 Applications Received

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| 12/12011 | Land at Woodford Farm, Pelynt | Y1 N7 Abst1 Away2 |
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- 0070 RESOLVED to formally approve the above decision
- Proposed by Cllr. Toms, seconded by Cllr. Bryant, resolution carried

7.2 Applications Determined

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| 12/11082 | The Rigging, Crumplehorn, Polperro | Y11 | Approved 14/01/13 |
| 12/10705 | Polperro Car Park, Crumplehorn | Y8 Away3 | Approved 30/01/13 |

7.3 Current Enforcement Cases

7.3.1 Noughts and Crosses – rear window

Conservation Officer David Moore has requested that the correct windows should be fitted. A timetable for completion is awaited by the Case Officer.

7.3.2 Strawberry Fields – shutters and ironwork

The Conservation Officer has accepted the ironwork fence and gate. The shutters are to remain but must be painted white. A completion date of March 2013 has been agreed by the Case Officer.

7.4 Enforcement matters to be reported from this meeting

Nothing raised

8 Cornwall Council

Cornwall Councillor Mrs. Hannaford updated members on matters relating to Council Tax; second homes; play areas; Councillors allowances; pot holes and Councillors Community Chests. These topics prompted much discussion and members thanked the Councillor for her efforts on behalf of the parish.

9 Looe – Polperro Joint Agency Group

The Chairman updated members following the meeting on 31 January 2013 which addressed local issues such as flooding, public conveniences, waste collection, street cleaning, and parking enforcement.

10 Community Flood Plan

The Clerk updated members following a meeting on 6 February 2013 with local agencies and authorities concerned with the problems of flooding. Members agreed in principle that a Community Flood Plan would benefit the area and the Clerk outlined the options to take this forward. Much work needs to be done and the support and willingness of the community to become involved is vital if any subsequent plan is to be worthwhile. The Clerk was asked to progress this issue and report back in due course.

11 Community Defibrillator

Following the demonstration given by Mike Blackmore, members agreed that the provision of such a unit in the parish would be of great benefit and discussion then took place on funding and possible locations. Cornwall Councillor Mrs Hannaford pledged a sum of £250 towards the cost and a similar sum is understood to have been pledged from Looe Lions. Members will consider formal approval of expenditure from Council funds once the exact total cost is known, but it is likely to be in the region of £1,500. Members felt the best location for a unit would be outside the Doctors Surgery and the Chairman will discuss this with the Health Authority. This will be progressed in the coming weeks and brought back to Council when further information is available.

12 Premises Licence Application

The Clerk gave details of the request from Polperro Fishermen’s Choir for concert dates in 2013 under the auspices of the Premises Licence held by this Council.

- 0071 RESOLVED to approve the concert dates
- Proposed by Cllr. Pilcher, seconded by Cllr. Bryant, resolution carried

13 Dog Waste Bins

Cllr. Hannaford will further this with Gina Varcoe when they conduct a walk around on 20 February 2013. Cllr. Toms will also be present to represent this Council.

14 Off Road Loading Area

Members agreed that the existing ‘clean and tidy’ agreement held between the former Caradon District Council and this Council is unnecessary given that Cornwall Council has total control over the area.

- 0072 RESOLVED to request termination of the agreement
- Proposed by Cllr. Toms, seconded by Cllr. Pilcher, resolution carried

15 Website

The Clerk updated members on matters relating to the website and in particular his thoughts on the management of financial information which may compromise contract letting. Members accepted the financial records of the Council are open and transparent and available to parishioners upon request, but a minor change to its presentation on the website will safeguard the contract letting process and enhance the efficacy of public expenditure.

- 0073 RESOLVED to summarise the financial statement published on the website
- Proposed by Cllr. Toms, seconded by Cllr. Bryant, resolution carried

16 Correspondence Received (circulated to members):

- Email regarding footpath clearance
- Cornwall in Bloom 2012 Assessment for Polperro
- Letter from Polperro Christmas Lights Committee

17 Any Other Business

17.1 Cllr. Bryant said the condition of the memorial seat on Sand Hill has deteriorated badly. The Clerk will try and make contact with the family concerned.

17.2 The Chairman and members reported the receipt of many complaints from parishioners regarding the newly erected fingerpost sign near the harbour slip. Many thought it was obtrusive and detracted from the natural view. The Clerk was asked to write to the Polperro Promotional Group pointing out the complaints received, with a copy to the Harbour Trust for its information.

18 Time, Date and Venue of Next Meeting

7.0pm on Monday 18 March 2013 in the Village Hall

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50pm

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