

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 20th MARCH 2023
AT THE COSTAIN DEPOT, CARLAND CROSS**

Present: Cllr. J McCulloch (Chairman)
Cllr. A Hare (AH)
Cllr. A Stallard (AS)
Cllr. P Mewton (PM)
Cllr. M McLaughlin (MM)

Apologies: Cllr. C Wilson (CW)
Cllr. J Orrell (JO)

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); CCllr. A Harvey (ADH)
John Green, Nick Cooper, Allan Harris & Emma Overand (Costain)
3 Members of the Public

1. Chairman's Announcements:

1.1 There were no announcements.

2. A30 Carland Cross to Chiverton:

2.1 The following was reported/discussed:

- Nick Cooper will be taking over from John Green at the end of the month.
- The application for the National Highways Funding has been received. It will be submitted to the Committee for consideration in April.
- Four videos were shown showing progress so far. The project is still on track for the carriageway to be open on 23rd December 2023.
- There is still no information on how the traffic will be managed, particularly for vehicles turning right, when the road switch takes place at Tolgroggan. JG will follow this up.
- It was discussed that the works should not be detrimental to local residents. At the moment it is virtually impossible to get to the Church. None of these road closures were discussed at the time of the application but residents were told that some roads would remain open. This has not been the case and is extremely disappointing.
- A meeting has been organised with Cherylyn Mackrory MP on 23rd March at 10.30am at St. Freda's to discuss the fencing. Nick Cooper was invited to attend this meeting.
- Construction of the other end of the Trevalso Tunnel starts in April.
- CW's email regarding the proposal to tarmac the Hillhouse Bridleway was discussed. The decision was only made recently and is necessary as the bridleway will be the emergency vehicle access. JG will investigate the matter further. However, there has been no formal consultation on a change to the definitive map, as the bridleway will become a road.

3. Suggestions from Members of the Public:

3.1 **PA23/01489 (Trelewick):**

Mr and Mrs Burley spoke in support of their application to remove the agricultural tie on their dwelling. It is not an application to build a new dwelling, as the application infers. The main reason for the application is so that their children may live in the dwelling when they pass.

RESOLVED: To Bring the Discussion regarding PA23/01480 forward on the agenda.

RESOLVED: Parish Council supports the application.

(P/S: PM/JM. 3 abstentions.)

- 3.2 Nicki Cable, representing the ZVCA advised the following:
- The ZVCA supports the installation of a path around the Playing Field and offered support with the project, particularly with any public consultation taking place. The ZVCA understands the concerns of some Councillors over the ongoing maintenance costs but it would be within the remit of the ZVCA to fundraise to assist with any maintenance costs.
 - The ZVCA is fundraising for a mud kitchen in the park. A full proposal will be presented to the Parish Council when further information is available.
 - The Church has a tea urn and the ZVCA is happy to continue borrowing this.
 - MM advised that Spencer Haddon is happy to resurrect the Speedwatch Project. Six volunteers are required to undertake the training. Several volunteers have come forward but more are required. NC will put the information on the Zelah Community Facebook page.
 - The ZVCA is happy to help organise the Coronation BBQ planned for 7th May. This will be a similar event to the Jubilee. NC will get a quote for a portaloo. The cost for commemorative mugs for the Parish children is being investigated. The event will be covered by the Parish Council's insurance. A litter pick is also being organised for Monday 8th May.

4. Minutes

4.1 **RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 20th February 2023, as circulated, were approved, and signed by the Chairman.**

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

None.

6. Police Matters:

6.1 No report.

7. Cornwall Councillor Report:

7.1 ADH advised that he was disappointed with the comments made following the decision to take the Roseland Terrace application to committee and he will not take applications to committee in the future. A discussion took place regarding the 5-day Planning Protocol Procedure. Due to the timescales involved it is sometimes necessary to make a decision by email. On this occasion, there were 3 votes for committee, 2 to agree to disagree, 1 no response and 1 declaration of interest. JM represented the Parish Council at the Planning Committee Meeting but the application was turned down by the committee. A heated discussion ensued. MM felt that JM had an interest in the application but this was strongly refuted. The application was a better option than those previously submitted and the Parish Council must now wait to see what happens with the land in future, but it seems likely that the land will be sold to a developer.

7.2 A decision will be made on the registration of the Hawkins Arms as a Community Asset next week.

8. Planning:

8.1 Applications: Dealt with under Item 2 (2.1)

8.2 Decisions: PA22/10251 (Land South East of Lowarth House): **Withdrawn.**

9. Playing Field:

9.1 Grant Application to National Highways Social Fund:
Dealt with under Item 2 (2.1)

MM advised that she is meeting a representative from Sovereign Play on 23rd April to discuss the exercise equipment. AS will attend this meeting.

9.2 Public Consultation – Installation of Path Around the Playing Field:
The Parish Council has previously discussed the long-term viability of the path. However, a member of the public has raised concern about the cost of the ongoing maintenance. It was **NOTED** that the Parish Council has considered the future and that the ZVCA has also offered to help fundraise for any maintenance required.

9.3 JM advised that he is still waiting for the details of the landowner of the pony field to discuss the cutting of the hedge. However, concern has been expressed as to how to keep the ponies in the field. A discussion took place as to how to proceed.

RESOLVED: The cutting will be staggered over 3 years so that a barrier remains in place. JM will again try to contact the landowner. However, the cutting will now have to wait until September due to the bird nesting season.

10. Highway Issues:

10.1 SpeedWatch: Dealt with under Item 3 (3.2).

11. Matters to Report Concerning Rights of Way/Paths/Stiles/Maintenance:

11.1 No issues that hadn't been previously discussed.

12. Correspondence:

12.1 Correspondence **NOTED** included:

- Government consultation on proposed changes to planning legislation
- Cornwall Council Fixed Penalty Training
- Motor Cycling Club – Details of the Lands End Trail that will pass through Zelah on Saturday 08th April.
- Cornerstone – Pre-application consultation outlining a proposed upgrade at the existing telecommunications base station at Land Near A30, Zelah. JM had advised that the proposed route no longer existed due to the A30 works.
- Costain – Clean-up following muck spreading by a local farmer. JM thanked Costain for organising the sweeper to clear up the mess.
- Community Levelling up – Details were circulated of the levelling up funding proposed following the merging of the community network panels. Each member will have £50k to spend on local projects. Councillors were asked to read the documentation & consider ideas for future projects.

13. Finance: To Approve Spending, Accounts & Monthly Payment's

13.1

Income:	£ 0.00
HSBC Community Account:	£15,749.55
HSBC Business Account:	£28,448.95

RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £366.40 were approved for payment.
(Appendix 1)

14. Agenda Items for the April Meeting:

14.1 No new items.

15. Date of the Next Meeting:

15.1 The next meeting will be held on **Monday 17th April 2023, 7.30pm, St. Allen Parish Church**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.20hrs

Signed:.....
CHAIRMAN

Date.....