

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2023
AT COSTAIN DEPOT, CARLAND CROSS**

Present: Cllr. J McCulloch (Chairman)
Cllr. P Mewton (PM)
Cllr. J Orrell (JO)
Cllr. A Stallard (AS)

Apologies: Cllr. A Hare
Cllr. C Wilson
Cornwall Councillor A Harvey

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); Dave James (DJ)(Costain); Allen Harris (AH) (National Highways)

1. Chairman's Announcements:

1.1 None.

2. A30 Carland Cross to Chiverton:

2.1 DJ & AH gave an update. The following was discussed:

- Everything is on track for completion on 29th March.
- DJ had met the person responsible for the planting schemes. The trees will be planted imminently, the shrubs will be planted in spring and the grasses in the summer. DJ had mentioned that the Parish would like to be involved with some of the planting and he will follow this up.
- JM requested that the Parish be given 1 – 2m high trees as part of the National Highways Tree Planting Scheme. AH thought that this wouldn't be a problem and his colleague, Jordan Fortune, would get back to the Clerk.
- The next closure is scheduled for 4 – 9th December. This will be to lift the bridge into place at Chiverton. Following that, there will be a closure on 9th – 11th December for works to the Chiverton Flyover, which will then be open for traffic.
- There have been further issues with mineshafts on the diversion routes, particularly in St. Day, and the road may have to be shut. If so, this will have an impact on the diversion routes used when the A30 is closed.
- Structures at Pennycomequick and Trevalso are being backfilled.
- National Highways has confirmed that it is not possible for the right hand turn to reopen at the Western end of the village as it would require more phasing and would cause longer delays. They acknowledge the Parish's frustration but confirmed it would reopen at the end of March.
- Another accident has taken place on the road to Goonhavern where the contractor's van went through the fence and Costain did not replace it. Cormac has now installed a temporary fence but a permanent repair is required.
- AH advised that there is still grant funding available from the National Highway Social Fund. He suggested that the Parish Council may like to submit another application to replace some of the older play equipment.
- DJ reassured the PC that he is continually chasing the contractor who agreed to do the work to the gate at the Playing Field.
- JM asked Costain to confirm that they will sponsor an end of works party in the Playing Field so that a date can be organised.

3. Suggestions from Members of the Public

None.

4. Minutes

4.1 **RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2023, as circulated, were approved, and signed by the Chairman.**

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

None.

6. Police Matters:

None.

7. Cornwall Councillor Report:

None.

8. Planning:

8.1

PA23/08340	Little Acorn	To retain the conversion of existing garage a a dwelling with the retention & alteration of existing chalet to become log store/workshop	OBJECT: Failure to follow original plans; poor design; out of keeping with surrounding area; Permission for the other dwelling must be revoked if Planning Officer in mind to approve application.
PA23/00026/NDP	Perranzabuloe Neighbourhood Plan		NOTED.

8.2 Decisions:

PA23/07263 (Art's Yard): S52/S106 Conditions Discharges

8.3 Hawkins Arms: It was discussed that an inspector has not been assigned to the appeal so it has not started yet. The lack of fire regulations has still not been addressed.

JM will follow this up with Fire Service and the Clerk will follow up with Cornwall Council.

8.4 STARE Planning Document: CW had circulated the document. The PC agreed that it is happy with the contents and it was discussed how best to convey the information to the public.

RESOLVED: Clerk to draft a note to accompany the document which will be placed on the Parish Council's website.

9. Playing Field:

9.1 Groundworks & Gate:

Dealt with under 2.1.

9.2 Application for a Community Infrastructure Levy Grant:

The application has been submitted and the PC is now waiting for the decision.

NOTED.

9.3 Any Other Matters to Report:

(a) National Highways Social Fund Application: It was discussed whether the PC should apply for a further grant to refurbish the play equipment and if so, which pieces of equipment should be replaced.

RESOLVED: Clerk to organise a site meeting with Play Installations South West to discuss the condition of the existing equipment and to seek advice as to which pieces of equipment may need replacing

in the near future. Matter to be discussed at the next meeting, with a view to making a grant application.

10. Highway Issues:

10.1 Street Cleansing Grant: JM updated the Parish Council. Alan Percy (Cubert Parish Council) has written several letters to the Council regarding the reduction in grant. However, the Council's position has not altered and the grant offer will not be increased. A discussion ensued as to how to proceed.

RESOLVED: Clerk to write to the Council to ask what level of service the PC is expected to provide on a kilometre stretch of road for the grant offer of £45 per annum.

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

None.

12. Parish Councillor Vacancy:

12.1 The Clerk confirmed that no election had been called and the PC is free to co-opt a new member. The co-option will take place at the December meeting and the vacancy will now be advertised. ***NOTED.***

13. Correspondence:

None.

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

14.1

Income:	£ 2654.24
HSBC Community Account:	£21,580.44
HSBC Business Account:	£48,808.86

RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £1780.00 were approved for payment (see appendix 1).

14.2 Precept 24/25:

The Clerk had started to look at the budgets for next year. She will circulate the information before the next meeting so that a decision can be made. ***NOTED.***

15. Agenda Items for the December Meeting:

15.1 No new items

16. Date of the Next Meeting:

16.1 The next meeting will be held on **Monday 18th December 2023, Costain Depot, Carland Cross (tbc)**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.20hrs

Signed:.....
CHAIRMAN

Date.....