

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 17th MARCH 2025, 7PM
AT ST. ALLEN PARISH CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. C Wilson (CW) (Chair)
Cllr. A Hare (AH)
Cllr. A Stallard (AS)
Cllr. R Hatt (RH)
Cllr. J McCulloch (JM)
Cllr. J Orrell (JO)

Apologies: Cllr. P Mewton

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); Cllr. A Harvey (ADH); Dave James (Costain);
1 Member of the Public

1. Chairman's Announcements:

1.1 None.

2. Suggestions from Members of the Public:

2.1 None.

3. A30 Carland Cross to Chiverton:

3.1 Dave James (Costain) gave the following update:

- There have been no real changes following the update given at the last meeting.
- The section of the B3288 between Boxheater and Chybucca has now reopened.
- The road between Boxheater and Carland will reopen on Thursday 3rd April and will then be closed for a further 4 weeks from 22nd April but under temporary lights. The multi-species crossing is nearly complete.
- Works at Carland Cross are progressing. The footpaths are in place and the kerb works done.
- DJ will notify the Clerk of the reopening date of Pennycomequick tomorrow.
- Chiverton Interchange will be closed for 3 weeks at the end of April.
- Church Lane has not officially reopened as the lighting has not been installed and it is unsafe to use in the dark.
- Fencing on the Southside of the now B3288 has not been finished nor on the Southside of the new A30 from Trevalso down to just after Church Lane. It was commented that this fencing should be deer proof and a Cornish hedge like elsewhere on the scheme. DJ will take this back to National Highways.
- The road between Trevalso Junction and the turn to Zelah is uneven and has a different camber. DJ advised that the road probably isn't resurfaced yet but he would clarify and inform the Clerk.
- There is no confirmed opening date of Tolgroggan Bridge as further work is required. DJ will get an update and inform the Clerk.
- It is frustrating that Trevalso Underpass is not open as it seems that the majority of the work is completed. DJ advised that the teams have been deployed to work on the Boxheater – Carland Section and will redeploy once this work is complete.
- CW asked if there would be any planting where the earth banks and old
- Cornish stone hedges on the Southside of the Old A30 have been stripped out between Pennycomequick & Carland and Trevalso to Zelah Hill. The

fencing that has been installed is very 'urban' and not in keeping with the rural character of the area. DJ advised that a hedge will be planted on the Zelah side from Trevalso Underpass towards Zelah Hill. DJ had no knowledge of further up to Carland. This is likely to be Hawthorn whips or similar. The PC agreed that the situation is wholly unacceptable and that the rural character of the area needs to be retained.

- The next PC meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th May so that a member of National Highways can attend to answer the PC's queries.

4. Minutes

- 4.1 **RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th February 2025, as circulated, were approved, and signed by the Chairman.** (P/S: RH/AS)

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

- 5.1 None.

6. Police Matters:

- 6.1 None.

7. Cornwall Councillor Report:

- 7.1 Cllr. Harvey advised that Council Tax will increase by 4.99% after Councillors had approved the budget for 25/26.
- 7.2 Louis Gardner has been appointed to run the Spaceport Project.
- 7.3 19 of the 25 identified car parks have now been handed over to Corserv. It is disappointing that the Council has not listened to the views expressed by the public and stakeholders in the consultation.

8. Saints Coast CAP Report:

- 8.1 CW was unable to attend the recent CAP Meeting.
- 8.2 The Saints Coast CAP Environmental Group is working with the Forest for Cornwall team to identify sites with the CAP Group that may be suitable for tree planting and they would like input from the PC. A discussion ensued as to potential sites. **RESOLVED: PC to submit an EOI for a mix of trees to be planted along the verges of the B3288 at Zelah to create a linear forest, following the destruction caused by the A30 works.**

9. Planning:

- 9.1 Applications:

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| PA25/00657 | Barn Wyn | Reserved matters for access, appearance, landscaping, layout & scale | SUPPORT (P/S: RH/AS) |
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- 9.2 Decisions:

There were no decisions.

- 9.3 Former Hawkins Arms:

The Enforcement Officer had confirmed that at the time of her site visit in December, the property was capable of being re-opened as Public House.
NOTED.

10. Playing Field:

- 10.1 Update – Works to Entrance:

- The work has now been completed apart from a padlock on the spike of the vehicle access gate. The Clerk will follow this up with PISW Ltd.
- RH will try to install the 'no dog' sign on the gate.

- JM will now block the gap in the hedge where the previous pedestrian gate was. He will require some help to move the soil and will circulate a date so that a working party can be organised.
- Hardcore has been tipped behind the bund at the top of the field and a mini-digger is required to level the surface. It was agreed to revisit this once the outstanding work is finished.

10.2 Any Other Matters to Report:

- JM reported that a piece of the platform of the zip wire is missing.
RESOLVED: Pictures to be sent to Clerk so that she can ask PISW Ltd to have a look.
- CW had received complaints about a large bonfire that had been held recently. A discussion ensued and it was **RESOLVED that the Clerk would put the Cornwall Council information about holding a bonfire on the PC's social media pages.**

11. Highway Issues:

11.1 Purchase of 'Unsuitable for HGV' Sign:

The Clerk has circulated another option but it was agreed that this was unsuitable. The Clerk will now order the original sign. **NOTED.**

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

12.1 Proposed Bridleway St. Frieda's to Twoburrows:

No further progress.

12.2 Local Plan Mapping:

CW has completed the survey. Several maintenance jobs are recommended which will be discussed at the next meeting. **NOTED.**

12.3 Great Chiverton Mine:

CW had liaised with the Cornwall Council Officer who had investigated the matter. The Officer had closed the case as they did not consider the matter to be a statutory nuisance. Both the Officer and Clerk had written to the Land Agent to inform them of the matter. The Officer had also recommended that as the mine is on private land, the landowner may wish to consider putting a sign warning the public. However, the Land Agent had not responded. **NOTED.**

13. Correspondence:

15.1 No additional correspondence not previously mentioned.

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

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| Income: | £527.25 |
| HSBC Community Account: | £11,120.06 |
| HSBC Business Account: | £27,905.24 |

RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £6062.40 were approved for payment (see appendix 1).

15. Agenda Items for the May Meeting:

15.1 Maintenance jobs arising from the Local Plan Mapping.

16. Date of the Next Meeting:

16.1 The Chair thanked the members of the PC who had decided not to stand for re-election for their hard work whilst on the Parish Council.

16.2 Parish Councillors were reminded that there is no meeting in April.

16.3 The next meeting incl. AGM will be held on **Tuesday 20th May 2025 at 19.00hrs, St. Allen Parish Church**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.43hrs

Signed:.....
CHAIRMAN

Date.....