

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1st December 2008 AT PORT ISAAC COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL, PORT ISAAC AT 7:30PM

PRESENT Mr D Phelps, Mr A Penny
Mrs B Bell,
Mr R Manders, Mr M Dingle
Mrs J Townsend

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE, Mr R Hambly, Mrs E Rowe, Mr M Bell, Mr W Dawe, Mr B Nicholls

90. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

To approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on Monday 10th November 2008. **Resolved** The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

91. JANEY COMBER

Mr D Phelps welcomed District Councillor Mrs Jenny Comber to the meeting. Mr Phelps informed the Parish Council that he had met Mrs Comber previously at a meeting in Camelford where they had a heated discussion regarding one Cornwall.

Mrs Comber informed the council that she had actually enjoyed the discussion and the meeting in Camelford.

She informed the council that she is a County and District Councillor and an Implementation Executive for the District Council. When the bid for One Cornwall was put forward she did not support it, but felt that now it is happening, that it is important to make it work, in the best way for North Cornwall.

There will be 22 area networks which will be one stop shops with our nearest in Wadebridge, there will also be one in Camelford. She informed the council that people with enquires regarding bills, rates etc, will be able to go to any of these for information.

Mrs Comber informed the council that this was not a short process, it was very complicated, she had been speaking to NCDC staff and they do not know where they are going to be working, most offices and jobs will be the same, she did not think that we will see a lot of change on the first of April.

She informed the Council that all services will be dealt with in 3 areas, we in North Cornwall will be in the Eastern Group which will include North Cornwall and Caradon, what is provided will depend on local needs, what is important for one area can be received as priority, therefore the money will be spent in a better way. She felt that transport might be able to be improved. They may also be able to bring more youth services to the area.

Mrs Comber informed that Council that she had a discussion with Mr Phelps about the logo, she felt that this was unimportant in the grand scheme of things, lots of people have argued about it, but it is more important to concentrate on getting everything else right for the first of April.

Mrs Barbara Gore asked if the logo is not import why are they changing it?

Mrs Comber informed the council that the old logo will still be used for civic occasions, but Cornwall County Council is not taking over the six district councils, a whole new council is forming.

Mr D Phelps asked will this not cost more money than is being saved with new uniforms, websites, etc.

Mrs Comber informed the council that this is all about moving forward together, staff have new uniforms every 2 years, van signage will be rewritten when needed.

Mrs Comber informed the council that we would know what we are getting when the new council takes over. How many people know what County Council pay for and what District Council pay for.

Mr David Phelps was concerned that the district councils are going in April but there is no election until the autumn.

Mrs Dingle asked Mrs Comber how can you say that someone at Truro will know if something is import to us.

Mrs Comber informed the council that it will be the community network that prioritise what is important, parish councils will be able to have representatives and there will be new Cornwall councillors, health service and police representatives. Each area will have a community area manager. They will be able to bids for grants, for what the community thinks of as important.

Mr Robert Manders felt that the whole thing was rushed.

Mrs Dee Littlechild asked how will this affect parish councils?

Mrs Comber informed the council that it will stay the same, it is up to them whether they do more or less.

Mr D Phelps asked why something had not been done about Newquay airport before, when they had known that this was coming.

Mrs Comber informed the council that it had been out of County Council hands.

Mr Phelps felt that they must have seen it coming or were they blind?

Mrs Comber informed the council that was unfair, it was a problem with air traffic control they had said it would be fine and then they were let down at the last minute.

A member of the public felt that if this is the kind of mess the county council makes with Transport there is not much hope for public transport under the new council.

Mrs Comber informed the council that the public transport decisions would not be made in Truro but for individual areas, by community networks. The airport closure was a heath and safely issue, and it is hoped that it will be re opened in three weeks time.

Mr D Phelps informed Mrs Comber that we appreciate her coming to the meeting and we realise it was not her idea and not to take what we are saying personally

Mr D Phelps informed the council that he was listening to radio Cornwall and they renamed the council the calamity council.

Should they not have checked that it met the specification before.

Mrs Comber informed the council that they had hoped that the RAF would stay for last 3 weeks.

Mr A Penny was concerned that the boundaries were still not decided at this late stage with only 6 months to go.

Mr D Phelps asked will we be provided with information on redundancy payoffs?

Mrs Comber informed the council that we will not as it would be unfair. If you work for a school you would not expect everyone to know what your redundancy was. It is unfair for people to know what an individual is paid.

Mr D Phelps felt that it was not unfair when they were on an income of £200,000 of public money.

Mr R Manders asked if the council offices in Wadebridge were being sold to Sainsbury's.

Mrs Comber informed the council that they were not, but she felt that if the site could be sold for say, £20,000,000 and there was a better site elsewhere that better offices could be built.

Mr D Phelps thanked Mrs Comber for coming to the meeting.

92.PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mrs Dingle raised concerns regarding a letter sent to the Parish Council by Mr Phippen, she was not sure if the council could do anything about this letter, but was concerned that it referred to bullying and intimidation by council members. She felt that the council should write an apology.

It was agreed that this item would go on the agenda at the next meeting.

Dee Littlechild asked what was happening about the carpark as it was less than 6 months to Easter? She was concerned that the council would still be sitting here next year discussing the same problem.

Mr Phelps informed her that planning permission was being applied for on Barry Cleaves field and the item was coming up on the agenda.

Miss Katie Child informed the council that she was here objecting to the proposed development of affordable housing in Trelights. The reason that she was objecting to this application basis on the fact that there are no facilities for affordable homes in Trelights, no school, buses or shops it is also outside planning lines.

92. FINANCE

a) It was resolved that the financial statement be approved, and cheques for payment were signed.

b) The Parish Council approved the budget with a correction to the wording of note 2 to:- on commence of project.

c) It was proposed by Mrs Janet Townsend and Seconded by Mr Martin Dingle that the Financial Risk Assessment be approved

d) It was proposed by Mr Robert Manders and seconded by Mrs Janet Townsend that the Financial Regulations be approved.

e) The Parish Council received a request for a donation for the Four Lanes District Project Group. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not act on this.

93.PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND NOTICES

Application 2007/01982 Alterations to existing dwelling to include re-opening of window and door openings on the lower ground floor and conversion of apple loft into master bedroom and installation of new sash windows at the first floor level. Mr C MacColl, Trefreock Farm house, Port Isaac.

The Parish Council commented that they hoped carefully consideration would be given to the conservation area and the fact that the building is Listed.

Application 2008/01983 Application for Listed Building Consent for works to the lower ground floor conversion of cellar (at present used for storage) to boiler/cylinder room/shower and drying rooms, re-open window and doorway on west elevation into existing utility room, renew and reposition sanitary ware in existing bathroom, replace modern fireplace surrounds in sitting and dining rooms with simpler designs in keeping with house, insulate between ceiling joists exposed; first floor – convert apple loft into master bedroom and install new sash windows, convert bedroom 5 into en-suite shower and bathroom, install sash window in bedroom 6, renew and reposition sanitary ware in existing bathroom; second floor – install new shower room, re-arrange bedroom 7 stud wall to include dormer, form new door and stud wall to bedroom 8, existing door to give access to loft storage area; re-slate roof using existing or matching second hand rag slates, replacing or repairing timber where necessary including insulation, replace fascias in similar size timbers, replace UPVC rainwater goods with aluminium together with minor repairs to stonework and dormer window. Mr C MacColl, Trefreock Farmhouse, Port Isaac.

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Application 2008/02132 Erection of eight affordable dwellings for local people. Mrs L M Carey, Land Opposite, Furze Park, Trelights.

The parish Council received 3 letters objecting to this application.

The Parish Council is not in support of this application as there are no facilities in Trelights for affordable housing ie no shops and not on a bus route, the roads are small and it would cause drainage problems.

Application 2008/02104 Application for Listed Building Consent for repairs to the roof to include removal of all Delabole rag slates and set aside for re-use, all additional slates will be second hand to match, replace any unsound timber to match existing and fix breathable felt, relay slates and replace defective lead around chimney and re-render damp back wall with lime plaster and make good existing concrete floor. Mrs J Edgell, 30 Church Hill, Port Isaac.

The Parish Council made no observations.

Application 2008/02097 Erection of extension to provide a new living room and w.c on ground floor and extension to bedroom one on first floor. Mrs A Walsh, The Barn Owl, Trewetha.

The Parish Council made no observations.

Approvals/Refusals

Application 2008/01887 Erection of extension and alterations to detached house and replacement of existing garage with new garage and studio over. Mr & Mrs C Pomfret, Handsacre, Trelights. North Cornwall District Council APPROVED this application. North Cornwall District Council APPROVED this application.

Application 2008/01851 Erection of detached double garage with play room above and single storey lean-to store rooms on either side. Mr T O'Grady, Gruntle, Trelights. North Cornwall District Council APPROVED this application.

North Cornwall District Council APPROVED this application.

Application 2008/01947 Application for Listed Building Consent for the replacement of brick gable chimney. Mr K Shaw., 20 Fore Street, Port Isaac.

Application 2008/01907 Erection of extension to existing retail unit to provide additional retail floor space. Fore Investments, 18 New Road, Port Isaac. North Cornwall District Council APPROVED this application.

94. CHAIRMANS REPORT

Mr D Phelps informed the council that he had a complaint about trees in Trelights, he informed the council that he had taken great exception to Mr Phippen's letter he may have a valid point but he can not blame us,

Mr A Penny felt that if the council have a meeting at Trelights, then they can tell us their point of view.

Mr Phelps informed the council that the Trees had been cut down so the situation was finished.

Mr Janet Townsend informed that a whole line of new trees had just been planted.

Mr Phelps informed the council that at the time the trees were cut down he had received a complaint so had checked with NCDC and they had said that the trees were not protected.

Mrs B Bell suggested that the council write to NCDC and get clarification on the trees, and if an offence was committed. This was agreed.

95. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Climate friendly parish

Mr R Manders informed the council that the Climate Friendly Parish Group would be holding its second AGM on the 16th February at the village hall at 7.30pm and that written invitations will go out.

Mr Manders informed the council that the committee were unsuccessful in getting community chest grant for the bus time table awareness scheme. Mr Manders informed the council that he had not returned the cheque as yet as they were still trying to pursue the goal to have bus time tables.

It was agreed that the Climate Friendly group could keep the donation

Update on Mayfield Lane- Mr D Phelps read out a letter from Bruce Tyzzer at NCDC informing that he had established that the land belongs to NCDC and instructed that materials are removed.

96. CAR PARK

Proposal by Mr M Bell that there is a discussion of 24 November email from Catherine Devereux-Mack, NCDC Senior Planning Officer regarding proposal for seasonal car park on Cleave land between P Bort Isaac and Trewetha, and of letter in November Trio from Mike Beckett, Head of Operational Sees, NCDC.

In Mr Bell's absence, Mrs Bell read out his comments as follows:- The email from NCDC's Ms. Deveraux- Mack has been circulated and is self explanatory. She is opposed to the Cleave site on landscape impact and highways access grounds and favours use of part of the existing soccer pitch and extension of the pitch into the second field currently leased for grazing by Mr. Collins. This was one of the options investigated by Mike Beckett, NCDC Head of Operational Services, who I spoke to (not the Chairman) and reported to a previous PC. He advised me that the financial return on a seasonal car park would not justify priority for NCDC capital funding and went on to ask why our PC would want to take out a large mortgage to do it ourselves.

I do not believe that the PC, which is funded solely by residential Council Tax payers should take on this burden. Visitor parking, which primarily benefits business ratepayers, has always been a district council responsibility, and I doubt if a seasonal car park will be the money spinner some people think it will be.

As authorised by the PC resolution I have submitted a planning application for a seasonal car park on Mr. Cleaves land, at the Trelights end of the site where the landscape impact is less and highways vision splays can be created.

Mrs B Bell informed the council that a meeting was held over 12 months ago and Mr Becket was invited, but he did not say anything about putting money into it. It took 12 months for him to reply, in a letter to trio

Mr D Phelps felt that as planning permission had been applied for the council should see what happens with Barry Cleaves before pursuing other ideas.

Mrs B Bell informed the council that we could open up an emergency car park for 28 days.

Mr D Phelps felt that the council could not use the second field as a car park, as it slopes away it would be an expensive car park.

Mr A Penny felt that we needed to have options, there needs to be contingency plan.

Mr D Phelps felt that Barry's car park was underway so we need to support it. But felt that if that does not work out the area by the BMX where the dog walkers used to go may be suitable.

97. FOOTPATH TO TREWETHA

It was proposed by Mr D Phelps that the first phase of public footpath to Trewetha and amenity area be commenced by the parish council purchasing fencing and gate materials, engaging Dave Dingle to remove section of wall and bore post holes. This was seconded by Mrs B Bell and carried nem.con. Quotes have been received from Dave Dingle of £1269.29 and £1459.68 for the timbers.

98. UNDER GROUNDING OF CABLES

Proposal by Mr M Bell to discuss commitment to STEER Port Isaac cable under grounding project if BT refuses to take part. Should the PC spend £20,000 if overhead telephone cables remain? What is NCDC's position?

Mrs B Bell explained that Mr Bell had wanted this item on the agenda as the project had changed.

Mr A Penny explained, that there were problems with BT who have an attitude that if its not broke do not fix it.

Mrs B Bell expressed concerns that we are getting less than we were expecting for our money, now that there will still be over head cables in the village.

Mr A Penny explained that it will cost BT in long run.

Mr D Phelps felt that the Parish Council should continue to support the project.

99. PLAYING FIELD

a) It was proposed by Mr A Penny, that the parish council ask for tenders to remove the stone hedge between the playing field & the parish field.

Mrs Bell informed that County Council currently fund maintenance of the field for school use.

Mr Andy Penny felt that it could be done in stages, and suggested that Barry Collins could be given notice.

Mrs B Bell felt that the community needs to be consulted on whatever project is done.

Mrs J Townsend felt that we should look into getting grants.

It was proposed by Mr A Penny that the clerk gives Mr Barry Collins 1 years notice on the field next to the playing field this was seconded by Mrs J Townsend and carried nem.con.

b) It was proposed by Mr A Penny, that the parish council creates an emergency parking area in the parish field. It was agreed that the council would pursue the Barry Cleave car park first as plans have been submitted however if that is turned down the council will look into this. It was

felt that the council should be able to make decision with regards to the car park at the February meeting when they will know if Barry Cleave will allow this.

100.ACTIVE PARTNERING FRAMEWORK

Proposal from Mr M Bell that the Parish Council discuss this matter and reply by the 12th December. Mrs B Bell read out an e-mail from Mr Bell stating:- We are a small PC with no full time staff, unlike Wadebridge or Padstow TCs. When the first One Cornwall presentation was made to our PC the concept of assuming more responsibilities was suggested as a role for clusters of adjoining PCs. There is no provision for that in the current proposal so I recommend we observe how the proposed pilots work with other councils.

101.ONE CORNWALL CHARTER

Proposal from Mr M Bell that the Parish Council discuss this matter and reply by the 12th December. Mrs Bell read out an e-mail from Mr Bell stating:- We should have representation on the proposed Community Network.

102.CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

a) **Mr D Phelps read out a letter from NDCDC informing the council that the next Parish Elections would be held in 2013**

b) **Mr D Phelps informed the Parish Council of a Road Closure at Bodieve Road**

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 12th January 2009 at Port Isaac County Primary School

Meeting closed at 10pm