

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9th JULY 2012 AT PORT ISAAC PRIMARY SCHOOL, PORT ISAAC AT 7:30PM

PRESENT Mr M Bell, Mr M Coles, Mr E Fletcher, Mr R Harris, Miss N Williams , Mr R Manders , Mr D Philp, Mr D Phelps

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mrs J Townsend, Miss Anne Hallet, Mr W Dawe

40.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

41.APPROVAL OF MINUTES

To approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on Monday 11th June 2012

The Following amendments were made to the minutes

Item 29 was amended to state the owners of the cottages

Item 30 was amended to include Mr Philp's declaration of interest in Doc Martin

It was proposed by Mr M Bell and seconded by Mr E Fletcher that the Minutes were approved and signed.

42.PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mrs Rosemary Morley raised objections to application PA12/04547 which is only 442m from her business and home. She was concerned how it would seriously affect her quality of life, and close her business, a domestic animal kennels which has been running for 40 years. She felt that the noise and flicker reports had not been conducted correctly and there are three properties with 500m of the proposed turbine. The Cottages at Plain Street, Treswarrow Park (the applicants) and her property Treswarrow Boarding Kennels. She informed the council that no test had been carried out at her property and it was the closest to the proposed turbine.

The only tests that were carried out were at the applicants property, under a tree for one week during November, she felt that this was insufficient and did not account for seasonal differences.

She was concerned that the noise from a wind turbine would put the animals at her boarding kennels in distress as they hear at a much lower frequency than humans. She would therefore no longer be able to run her kennels.

She was also concerned for her own health as the British Medical Journal reported that people living near wind turbines can experience sleep disturbance.

Mrs Jane Curtis also raised objections to application PA12/04547 she has worked full time at Treswarrow boarding kennels for 15 years, she was concerned the effect the wind turbine would have on the animals as cats and dogs are far more sensitive to noise and the flickering effect of wind turbines than humans. She was concerned that this would also be affected by the prevailing westerly winds. She was also concerned that if the kennels closed she would loss her job.

Mrs Rachel Jago also raised objections to application PA12/04547 she runs a dog grooming business from Treswarrow Boarding Kennels and felt that this would effect her business. She also felt that it would be a blot the beautiful natural landscape of the area and effect tourism which we rely on in this area.

Mrs Janet Cordwell congratulated the Parish Council on the new notice boards which had gone up.

Mr Jeff Harris from Middle Street, asked if the Parish Council were working on a Neighbourhood Plan.

Mr Harris also raised concerns regarding the aggressive seagulls he felt that they needed culling.

Mr Clive Scott-Hopkins raised concerns regarding the eyesore which was the unfinished development of affordable housing at Port Gaverne. He thought that Planning Permission had now lapsed and asked if enforcement action could now be taken.

Mr Kevin Griffin informed the Parish Council that his family had a property in the area for 65 years and had loved the area because of the coast & country landscape, they hoped that the Parish Council

would object to application PA12/04547 as they felt it would have an effect on tourism. They also thought the flicker effect of the turbine may cause accidents as it would be visible from the B3314. He was concerned about the size of the turbine in an area so close to the AONB.

Mr Marcus Diamond owner of Gunvenna Holiday Park which accommodates 390 people during the summer period. The turbine is only 625m for his business and 300m from his home. He felt that it would affect his business as they had already lost a customer because of it.

He was concerned that it may effect the Barn owl and bat population. He was also concerned that the turbine was in a flight path.

He was also concerned about the effect on his own health as he has a heart condition.

Mr Diamond showed pictures of wind turbines that had caught fire, this also concerned him.

Mrs Penny Kirkman also raised concerns regarding application PA12/04547, she informed the council that she was concerned about the visual influence of a industrial size turbine on the landscape so close to the AONB. It would be visual from Pentire point to Tintagel.

Mrs Kirkman informed the council that Mark Symons was unable to attend the meeting but also objected to application PA12/04547 and was concerned that it would impact on his business and tourism in general in the area.

Mr John Brown asked the Parish Council to reconsider the car park scheme, he felt that 135 spaces was not enough, he was also concerned that there is no provision for coach parking.

Mr Childs informed the council that he had put his recycling out on Tuesday morning for collection and it was not collected until the next day, by the ordinary bin man.

Mr Childs informed the council that he hoped PC Taylor would be at the meeting as he wished to discuss the recent problem where a Range Rover had some artwork put down the side of it. Mr Childs informed the council that he felt new signs were needed informing people that there is no longer a beach car park. As the existing yellow signs stating car park closed are not clear.

43. FINANCE

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

b) Mr E Fletcher proposed that the Parish Council writes a letter thanks to Mr Nigel Evans at the Liberal club for their contribution towards the new notice board.

44. APPLICATIONS AND NOTICES

PA12/04547 Erection of a single wind turbine with maximum blade tip height of 77m. Formation of new vehicular access track and associated infrastructure. Murex Energy Limited, Treswarrow Park Farm, Trelights, Port Isaac

Mr M Bell proposed that the Parish Council object to this application for the following reasons

1. It will effect local businesses especially Treswarrow boarding kennels which is only 442m away from the proposed turbine, animals are far more sensitive to noise than humans. No sound testing has been carried out at Treswarrow Boarding Kennels.

2.The Parish Council is concerned that the wind turbine will have an impact on St Endellion Church which is an international gem - the turbine will be larger than the church and a blot on the landscape.

3. The proximity of the wind turbine to the AONB. It will be seen for miles around.

4. The impact on tourism.

5.The Parish Council is also concerned that further sound testing is needed, it does not feel that 1 week in November is sufficient.

This was seconded by Mr M Coles and carried 7/1.

Cornwall Council Brian Gisbourne informed the council that he had spoken to Mr Mark Evans the case officer and he was just waiting on two more Parish Council replies, but Cornwall Council would be refusing this application.

Approvals & Refusals

45.CORNWALL COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr B Gisbourne informed the council that St Minver Lowlands Parish Council had their maps from Sarah Simms and had started working on their Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Gisbourne informed the Council that the maps cost £4 per map.

Cllr Gisbourne informed the Council that there are still problems with Cory but they were being fined.

Cllr Gisbourne advised the Parish council of the costs of running the Public toilets.

Cllr Gisbourne informed the Parish Council of the new licensing Act which allows anyone with a genuine complaint to question a liquor licence.

Mr Gisbourne informed the council that the car park risk assessment had been done and the draft loan guarantee was now ready as of 4.30pm today.

46. CHAIRMANS REPORT

Mr Harris informed the council that PC Taylor was unable to make the meeting but had reported the following crime figures for June 2012. 8 Crimes in total, 2 burglary, 2 thefts, 2 criminal damages, 1 assault and 1 drug offence. There were 5 crimes recorded for the same period last year.

Mr Harris informed the Council that he had attended a Site meeting on Land at Smeathers Farm, Chapel Amble regarding a proposal for single wind turbine development on behalf of Mr A Hawkey & family. Mr Harris informed the council that at the meeting they had conducted a sound test and had failed to achieve noise less than 30 decibels even in a field with just birds.

47. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Climate Friendly

Mr Manders informed the Council that the renewable Show was being held this month at the Gaia Centre.

Mr Manders also informed the council that he had also attended the meeting at Smeathers.

Footpaths

Mr Manders informed the council that Robert Ford was clearing the footpaths and the post cards were coming back, the footpath committee now needed to walk the paths to check they have been done correctly.

Amenities committee

Mr Bell informed the Council that Dean Lanyon the playing field co-ordinator and he had looked at the Play equipment and ROSPA report. Mr Lanyon felt that he would like to get equipment like they have at St Minver Playing field.

Mr Bell felt that the best way forward was to set up an Association like friends of the playing field, so that we could get grants and charitable payments towards equipment which the Parish Council does not qualify for. Mr Gisbourne informed the council that Nicola Gibson had arranged the St Minver Playfield, mainly with money obtained from grants; he would get Nicola Gibson to give Mr Bell a call.

Grass Cutting

Mr E Fletcher reported that David Barnes had missed some of the area marked on the grass cutting map, however he had been back to the village, Mr Fletcher had pointed these areas out and Dave Barnes had now cut these areas.

Mr Fletcher informed the council that area in front of Tintagel Terrace by the Car Parking area for St Andrews had not been cut for sometime. It was agreed that this should be left until winter as all the cars would need to be moved before it could be cut back subject to establishing ownership.

48. TRELIGHTS MEETINGS

It was proposed by Mr D Philp that that the Parish Council hold 2 meetings a year at Trelights. This was seconded by Mr M Bell and carried 7/1. It was agreed to hold the Trelights meetings in April and September.

49. Mr PHIPPEN

a)The Clerk informed the Council that Mr R Harris and herself had met with Mr Phippen and he had raised a complaint which he has since withdrawn.

Mr Philp informed the council that a lot of what Mr Phippen says is incorrect as on July's email sent to the Parish Council saying that Mr Philp helped plant the trees in front of Mrs Kays house, with Mr Blake;- this is untrue.

b)Proposal from Mr M Bell that the Parish Council terminates correspondence with Mr Phippen with regards to current issues. Mr Bell withdrew this item.

50.CAR PARK

Mr Bell informed the Parish Council that following a letter from Mr P Tidey and Mr B Buse, Mrs J Townsend, Mr R Manders and himself had met with Mr Tidey and Mr Buse that morning to discuss an alternative option. However since that meeting Cllr B Gisbourne has informed us that there has been progress on the cash flow guarantee.

Mr Bell felt that it the Parish Council should continue with the original plan, however try to get more space and be able to accommodate coaches. .

51. OFFICIAL COMPLAINT

Mr E Fletcher proposed that the Parish Council make an official police complaint with a view to finding out why our local police have ignored our communities concerns regarding drug cultivation in Port Gaverne for so long. This was seconded by Mr M Coles.

Mr Fletcher informed the Council that several complaints had been made to the Police regarding drug activities in Port Gaverne however a police raid was only carried out after a report by a PCSO. Mr M Bell proposed that rather than making a police complaint it would be better to talk to our local Magistrate Mrs Linda Miller and get a full report from her. This amendment was seconded by Mr R Manders and carried 7/1. Mr R Harris the Chairman agreed to meet with Mrs Miller.

52. GOVERNANCE REVIEW AT CORNWALL COUNCIL

Mr R Manders proposed that the Parish Council write to Sarah Simms at Cornwall Council regarding the Governance Review at Cornwall Council and inform her that St Endellion Parish Council would like to see a return to the old committee system instead of the current cabinet system. This was seconded by Mr E Fletcher and carried nem.con.

53.PLAYING FIELD

a)The Parish Council received a tender from Mr J Dyer of Garden of Eden Landscaping Services for Playing field Grass cutting and maintenance until December 31st 2013. Mr M Bell proposed that the Parish Council checks with Cornwall Council that this is competitive and if so awards the contract to Mr Dyer. If Mr Dyer's tender is not competitive, the Parish Council should re-advertise for more tenders and if it appears competitive we should award the tender to Mr Dyer as soon as possible so that he can start work. This was seconded by Mr E Fletcher and carried nem.con. Mr Bell agreed to speak to Cornwall Council regarding this matter.

b)It was proposed by Mr D Philp that the football field grass be cut to football standard. This was seconded by Mr E Fletcher and carried nem.con.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 13th August 2012 at Port Isaac

The meeting closed at 10.05pm