

MINUTES of St. Kew Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10th July, 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in St. Kew Parish Hall.

PRESENT:- Councillor T. Mott, Chairman Presiding; together with Councillors R. Davey, A. Godden, J. Godden, R. Godden, B. Hawken, J. Rowe, C. Skewes, B. Gabriel, D. Finnemore.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mrs Emma Fowle, new Parish Clerk, Mrs. S Woods, retiring Parish Clerk, Mr and Mrs B Plater.

- 82 **Chairman's announcements and apologies for absence.** The Chairman opened the meeting. Apologies received from Councillor T. Wellington.
- 83 **To consider and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting - 12th June 2007** The minutes of the meeting held on 12th June 2007 were agreed on a proposal by Councillor J. Godden and seconded by Councillor C. Skewes.
- 84 **Matters Arising**
- p14. item 45. Bus Shelter** – Councillors J. Rowe, B. Gabriel and J. Godden attended a meeting with Paul Allen from Cornwall County Highways and County Councillor Jeremy Rowe on Friday 15th June. Paul Allen maintained that the bus shelter and location of Truro College pick-up point was nothing to do with him, but did offer to try and get something done about it. Keith Godfrey from St Kew Services has already contacted Truro College. Parish Council to contact again after next meeting if nothing has been done.
- p21. item 62 (k) Conditions of Roads** – Councillor J. Godden contacted Cornwall County Highways over 3 weeks ago regarding large dangerous potholes on Pendoggett Road, with no response. Clerk to contact and copy in District and County councillors and MP. Pendoggett has now been patched, and will be resurfaced in Oct/Nov.
- p25. item 73 (f) Taunton Dean model** – Chairman T. Mott reported that he had looked into this further, and that it was a model of trying to involve the local community in planning. A handout was passed around. This appeared to have been done however without town or parish council involvement. He expressed concern over high proportions of non-elected people making decisions.
- p25. item 73 (h) Flower Festival** – Councillor C. Skewes reported that the theme had now been changed from Puss-In-Boots to Treasure Island. Still waiting to find out if this is OK, and space allocation.
- p25. item 73 (h) Bus Services questionnaire** – Councillor R. Godden completed this.
- p25. adjournment. Speeding in St Kew Highway** - Councillors J. Rowe, B. Gabriel and J. Godden attended a meeting with Paul Allen from Cornwall County Highways and County Councillor Jeremy Rowe on Friday 15th June. Paul Allen made notes and drawings and is going to send his design team down to see what can be done. Discussed closing the slip road from the A39 into the Services, and increasing the size of the island outside the Doctor's surgery to slow traffic. Also looked at Tretawn Terrace. Overall, was positive meeting but no definite plans were made. Parish council will wait until next month to see further developments before contacting again.
- p26. item 78 Young Farmers Community Project** – Clerk still not been able to contact Secretary. J. Rowe to ask T. Wellington to contact.
- 85 **Correspondence.**
- a) **Victoria County History of Cornwall – letter asking for** It is not parish council policy to financially support projects outside of the parish. Clerk to write letter to this effect.

- support for next project, research into China Clay parishes
- b) **NCDC – Results of NCDC poll into Unitary Authority support**
- c) **NCDC – Standards Board Bulletin No. 33 – Suggested wording of adoption of new code** Make an agenda item for next meeting.
- d) **NCDC – Review of Licensing Policy Public Consultation**
- e) **North Cornwall CALC – Invitation to AGM on 11th July and copy of minutes from April meeting**
- f) **NCDC – Disclosure of covenant information on planning applications**
- g) **St Kew Highway Community Hall – not submitting grant application this year, request their money is given to St Kew parish hall roof fund.** Councillors J. Godden, R. Davey, C. Skewes and B. Gabriel declared an interest in this item. Councillors R. Godden and J. Rowe raised concerns that the Community Hall were being presumptuous in assuming they would receive a grant this year, and that they did not have the right to pre-determine where grant money would be allocated. However, it was decided to accept the letter in the spirit which it was intended, to support another local community group. To be tabled again at the August parish council meeting. Parish Clerk to reply appropriately.
- h) **Cornwall County Council – One Cornwall Supplementary submission to Government. Full document to be available at the meeting for circulation.**
- i) **NCDC – Invitation to training on new code of conduct. 18th July 2007, Wadebridge Town Hall at 7:00pm** Circulated. Clerk to reply.
- j) **Any other important item of correspondence, which the Chairman considers, appropriate.** Letter of resignation from Sandra Woods. Chairman T. Mott thanked her for her hard work and dedication, and presented her with a card and some flowers.
- 86 **Planning and Decision Notices**
- 2007/01122** Erection of agricultural storage building at Lanow Mill, St Kew for Mr Lethbridge. On a proposal by B. Gabriel and seconded by J. Rowe it was AGREED to recommend APPROVAL. Councillor B. Hawken declared an interest in this item and abstained from the vote.
- 2007/01159** Demolition of fire damaged bungalow and erection of detached dwelling and garage, Seamoor, Pendoggett for Mr J Ganna. On a proposal by B. Hawken and seconded by D. Finnemore it was AGREED to recommend APPROVAL.
- Decision Notices**
- 2007/00860** Erection of single storey lean-to extension, Sunnyside Cottage, Chapel Amble for Mr D Fenton. APPROVED
- 2007/00968** Demolition of rear addition and erection of single storey extension at Arlee, St Kew Highway for Mr Egings. APPROVED
- 87 **Schedule of monthly accounts for June 2007** The schedule was approved from cheque number 000671 – 000673 in the total sum of £1282.26. On a proposal from Councillor B. Gabriel and seconded by Councillor R. Davey the cheques were passed for signing.

Chairman T. Mott thanked R. Godden for all his hard work in completing the accounts. The previous year's annual return as submitted to the Audit Commission had been returned. This had now been re-examined and no mistakes had been found. They had been checked by Chairman T. Mott and on a proposal by Councillor B. Gabriel and seconded by Councillor C. Skewes would now be re-submitted to the Audit Commission.

88 Any other important matters.

Parish Clerk had been contacted by local historian in St Minver who wished to exchange information with some-one in the parish. Forwarded e-mail to Councillor J. Godden.

Councillor B. Gabriel had been contacted by a parishioner living on the unmade road opposite The Cornish Arms pub in Pendoggett. The residents there wished to re-surface the road and wanted to know if they needed permission or to let the parish council know. Confirmed that they did not. Also raised issue of the St James PCC cutting the hedge on the boundary of the old graveyard, from the steps back to the phone box. This was the responsibility of the parish council and had been cut too low by the PCC, constituting a possible health and safety risk, should some-one fall over it. Agreed to approach PCC informally to discuss.

Councillor J. Godden raised issue of the bushes growing out over the bridge from the gardens of the St Kew Inn. This is obscuring the road visibility. Chairman T. Mott to mention to pub landlord.

R. Davey raised issue of St Kew Highway sign at Vicarage Road rusting off at ground level. R. Davey to collect fallen sign and store.

J. Rowe raised issue of rubble tipping on road from Trewethern to Hayle Farm. Clerk to contact NCDC. Also asked about new car parking opposite the old chapel in Trequite. Councillor C. Skewes confirmed that it had been carried out by the Kibblewhites, who owned the land. Also informed the council that some hypodermic needles had been found in the children's play area on the Whitehall Estate. These had been handed to the police. Raised issue of Mr Clive Allen, of Talltrees, St Kew Highway and his new driveway. She had spoken to him regarding the temporary orange barrier around the new driveway and when this would be removed, as it caused a visual driving obstruction. They informed her that it would remain until they had purchased some large tubs to place on it to stop heavy farm machinery pulling onto it as a passing place. She also showed council some current and old photographs of the area, clearly demonstrating that the driveway had encroached onto the old pavement and furthermore had resulted in the loss of a dropped kerb. All that remains is approx 40cms of dropped kerb, directly above a drain, not suitable for pushchairs or wheelchairs. Clerk to contact County Council Highways to ask if they can pursue further. Raised issue of Mr Terry Carthew of 4 Whitehall Estate parking his car on Trelill Road, despite having adequate room on his driveway. She has spoken to him about this, and he informed her that he parks it there to form a chicane with the cars parked opposite, in order to slow traffic. Whilst the council shares Mr Carthew's concerns regarding speeding, it was felt that this causes a visual obstruction when pulling out of the Whitehall Estate, and in particular with regards to children crossing from the footpath behind the estate into the playing fields. Clerk to write to PC Taylor to progress. Raised issue of footpath behind Whitehall Estate still not been cleared. Councillor Rowe to raise with Neighbourhood Watch.

R. Godden raised issue of Cornwall County Council Footpath funding letter that he and Chairman T. Mott had received. They had looked at the consultation paper published on the internet. It was proposed to change footpath funding as follows: No more funding for

Bronze category footpaths. Reduced funding for Silver category footpaths and increased funding for Gold category footpaths. CCC argue that Parish Councils will be able to fund the maintenance of Bronze paths from the increased payments on Gold paths, but this does not work as the parish has few Gold paths within its boundary. They have contacted the Rambler's Association, who are also very upset at the proposals. On a proposal by J. Godden and seconded by C. Skewes it was agreed by the parish council that R. Godden and T. Mott would respond. T. Mott to forward reply to Clerk. Chairman T. Mott reported that a road sign on Kenwyn Park had disappeared. Clerk to contact NCDC.

- 89 Items for Your Parish** As next magazine is not until September, to be discussed at next meeting.
- 90 To note date for the next Parish Council Meeting** Members noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 14th August, 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in St. Kew Parish Hall.
- 91 Register of Gifts and Hospitality for Councillors and staff** There were no items for the register of gifts and hospitality.
- There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8:55pm.