

MINUTES of St. Kew Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10th November 2009 at 7.30 p.m. in St. Kew Parish Hall.

PRESENT:- Councillor J Rowe Chairman; together with Councillors R Davey, J Godden, R Godden, C Skewes, T Mott, B Gabriel, J Lethbridge, T Wellington, J Parnell.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mrs Emma Fowle, Parish Clerk, Mr and Mrs B Plater, Mrs J Gray, PC Malcolm Taylor, Sally Lewis, Cornwall Council, Mrs S Joiner.

93 Chairman's announcements and apologies for absence.

The Chairman opened the meeting. **APOLOGIES** were received from Councillor A Godden, Cornwall Councillor Brian Gisbourn

ADJOURNMENT

PC Malcolm Taylor: Reported to the council that there were 2 reported crimes for October, up from 1 in the same time period last year. This consisted of 1 harassment and 1 burglary. This was still good when compared to other parishes in the area. He reminded the council that many thefts occurred in outbuildings, garages and sheds and asked that all be vigilant and secure their premises adequately. He reported that following on from the PACT meeting at St Kew Highway recently, there would be an inter-agency meeting at Wadebridge Police Station on Tuesday 24th November at 11am, and asked if a parish councillor could attend. Councillor J Godden to attend. Mrs Sue Joiner asked whether a 3rd crime was reported with reference to the illegal removal of trees to the rear of a property in St Kew Highway recently. PC Taylor confirmed that he was currently looking into this in conjunction with several other agencies.

Mr B Plater: Asked why the noticeboard at Chapel Amble had not had the agenda displayed on it recently, or an up-to-date councillor contact list. The clerk informed Mr Plater that Mr Andrew Hawkey looked after the noticeboard at Chapel Amble and was sent the agenda every month, together with any other information for the noticeboard. She had not been aware that this was not being displayed. Clerk to contact Mr Hawkey to resolve. A new councillor contact list had also now been issued after Councillor J Parnell's recent appointment,

94 To consider and approve the Minutes of the previous Parish Council Meeting

On a proposal by Councillor C Skewes and seconded by Councillor R Godden the minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

95 Matters Arising

Page 31 Item 81 b) Draft planning protocol: Clerk confirmed that the timescale for resolving issues was 21 days + 5 days.

Page 31 Item 81 e) Parish Highway Stewardship Trial: Clerk has submitted lists of highways issues for both Red and Green routes to Cornwall Council. Correspondence has been received back on both routes. CC have confirmed that all issues on green route will be attended to. Clerk has asked for timescales and written confirmation of when this has happened. On red route, more clarification on location of one pothole between School Lane and Tregellist Road has been requested. Clerk to provide. Clerk will also ask for clarification on when gullies at Trewethern were last cleared.

Page 31 Item 81 f) : BT telephone Box Adoption: Clerk received a letter from BT confirming that if boxes are not adopted, there will be no immediate change to their status but they could be listed for de-commissioning in future due to their low usage levels. They also provided a list of spare parts suppliers.

Page 33 Item 85: Proposed Sainsbury's plan: Clerk wrote letter of

objection to Cornwall Council Chief Executive and Leader, Cornwall Councillors Collin Brewer, Brian Gisborne, Jeremy Rowe, Scott Mann and Steve Rushworth. A reply was received from Cornwall Councillor Jeremy Rowe stating his support for the council's views. A letter was also written to the following Parish Councils: St Minver Lowlands, St Minver Highlands, St Mabyn, St Tudy, St Teath, St Endellion, St Issey, St Breock and Egloshayle, as well as Wadebridge Town Council. Replies were received from St Endellion and Egloshayle, stating they wished to remain neutral at this point. An article was also put on the front page of the parish magazine. Copies of letters of objection were also received from Mr and Mrs Plater.

96 Correspondence

a) Cornwall Fire & Rescue – Clerk to complete consultation
Consultation of service planning process

b) Draft Cornwall
Landscape Character
Best Practice Guide –
Public Consultation

c) Any other important item of correspondence which the Chairman considers appropriate. East Cornwall Local Action Group: Grant funding available in East Cornwall for projects improving the quality of life in rural areas. Details passed on to St Kew Playing Field Trust.

Letter from Mrs S Joiner regarding threat to ancient trees within the parish. The letter was read to all by the clerk. The meeting was then adjourned to allow Mrs Joiner to speak. Mrs Joiner updated the council as to the situation regarding the removal of trees from an orchard behind Rubletums Fish & Chip shop in St Kew Highway recently. David Attwell from Cornwall Council is now involved and has confirmed that the remaining Cornish hedge must not be removed. He is working with the Forestry Commission to see whether a prosecution can be brought. She urged the councillors to be vigilant to any over-zealous tree removal and informed them that she has also had discussions with the owners of Cadour, St Kew Highway about their proposed plans to remove trees from their boundary along the Trelill Road. She asked the council whether they were aware of any planning restrictions contrary to his proposed plans. Clerk to contact Cornwall Council to find out and report back.

97 Planning and Decision Notices

2009/01420 Prior notification for construction of agricultural storage shed at Tregoid Manor Farm, Trequite for Mr D Sims
A proposal was made by Councillor R Davey and seconded by Councillor B Gabriel that no further information be requested. In favour: 2, against: 0, abstained: 6. A second proposal was made by Councillor R Godden and seconded by Councillor J Parnell that the council request further information. In favour: 6, against: 2. Proposal to request further information granted.

Decision Notices

2009/01019 Garage and Workshop at Tomphenney Farm, Tregellist for Mr T Masterson. Approved
2009/01233 Listed Building consent for Bokelly Farm, St Kew for T & H Courtauld. Approved
2009/01283 Retrospective application to retain timber decking constructed in beer garden. The Cornish Arms, Pendoggett for Mr & Mrs J Hawkey. Refused

- 98 Sarah Sims & Sally Lewis – Priority setting and active partnering**
- Sally Lewis passed on Sarah Sims apologies for not being able to attend the meeting tonight. Sally Lewis provided the council with a handout of a powerpoint presentation regarding Active Partnering. This is a process the new Cornwall Council wish to use to engage with parish councils at whichever level they choose to engage at, and is entirely voluntary. St Kew is already involved with the highway stewardship trial, which is one form of active partnering. After her presentation, she invited questions from the council and public. The council asked whether she could offer any guarantees that if they decided to engage in joint or devolved service delivery, the budgets would not be cut in future as has happened with the footpath maintenance contracts. Sally said that unfortunately she could not guarantee that. She has been told that budgets will not be cut in future, but unfortunately history has shown us that this is no guarantee. The council also reported that the formal service monitoring that they were involved in, the highways stewardship trial, had improved communication slightly but issues were still not actually being resolved, usually due to budget constraints. Sally Lewis encouraged the council to keep on reporting problems, going further up the chain of command if necessary to Arthur Hooper. Clerk to wait for Highways response to issues raised in Matters Arising item 91 above, and then write to Arthur Hooper if necessary. The council thanked Sally for her attendance.
- 99 Schedule of monthly accounts**
- On a proposal by Councillor B Gabriel and seconded by Councillor J Godden cheque number 000817 to a total amount £153.20p was passed for signing.
- 100 Presentation of half-yearly accounts and budget for 2010/2011**
- On a proposal by Councillor B Gabriel and seconded by Councillor R Davey the accounts and budget were approved.
- 101 Footpaths**
- Footpaths committee now have 2 stiles to install on footpath 18. A working party will be organised to install these as soon as possible.
- 102 Parish Grants**
- No applications were received.
- 103 Parking on the green at St Kew Highway**
- Clerk to write to Highways to ask if two more posts can be placed across the front of the green to stop cars parking on it.
- 104 Bus shelter at St Kew Highway**
- Councillor T Wellington and Chairperson J Rowe met with Cornwall Council Highways department some time ago and agreed that the parish council could place the bus shelter on a site of their choosing. No planning permission would be required as long as it was erected by the parish council and not an individual. It is therefore proposed to site the shelter on the A39 side of the existing BT telephone box, on the green at St Kew Highway. This will place it in a location that does not overlook the neighbouring property. Councillor T Wellington informed the council that in order to now progress with this, he needed some more information on size, style and type of materials that the council would like to see used. After some discussion, it was agreed that Councillor T Wellington would obtain some quotes to bring back to the council for a bus shelter of approximate size 10' x 6' and of a rough rendered block build. Councillor J Parnell to pass on photographs he has of a similar one to T Wellington and Councillor B Gabriel to pass on plans she obtained previously of a traditional build shelter. For further discussion at next meeting when more information is available.

- 105 Parish Councillor reports** Councillor J Godden: Reported that at the last History Society presentation, a member of Cornwall Family History Society informed them that the maintenance of all headstones and gravemarkers is the sole responsibility of the church. He has passed this information on to Ceinwen Greenwood.
Councillor T Wellington reported that there had been a further vandalism of the security lights at the St Kew Highway Community Hall.
- 106 Parish Plan Action Plan** Nothing to report
- 107 Any other important matters** Councillor B Gabriel: PACT Meeting: Asked if a reduction in the speed limit through Pendoggett could be brought up. Councillor J Godden to do so.
Chairman J Rowe: Street Lighting on Trelill Road: Further to complaints being made about the street lighting being obscured by trees, she had received advice from Cornwall Council that the cutting back of trees around street lights was the responsibility of the landowners on whose land the trees were situated. Councillor J Godden suggested asking Western Power, as the street lights were situated on poles that also had power lines on them. Clerk to contact Western Power.
- 108 Items for Your Parish** Planning + Decision Notices
- 109 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 9:30