

MINUTES of St. Kew Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8th September 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

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mrs Emma Fowle, Parish Clerk, Mr and Mrs B Plater, Mrs J Mott, Mrs J Gray, Mr A White, Mr A Campbell, Mr J Parnell, Cornwall Councillor Collin Brewer

63 Chairman's announcements and apologies for absence.

The Chairman opened the meeting. **APOLOGIES** were received from A Godden.

ADJOURNMENT

Cornwall Councillor Collin Brewer apologised for not attending a parish council meeting since the election, but has been busy at other meetings that have been on at the same time. He reported that much time is currently being taken up at County Hall training new councillors. Of 123 elected, 100 are new to County and approximately 25% have never served on a council at any level. He reported that he had attended a Waste meeting that morning, held to discuss proposals for dealing with Cornwall's waste now that the proposed waste-from-energy plant had been refused planning permission. It still appeared to many that the waste-from-energy plant was the best option, but he is now awaiting the report from the committee. He had also attended a planning committee meeting this afternoon. He reported that planning was now split across 4 areas, with an over-arching strategic committee. The strategic committee looks at any planning applications that are >200 dwellings or commercial development sites > 2 hectares. He also confirmed that there would be a new community chest grant available at some point, but that he had no further details at present.

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

On a proposal by Councillor R Godden and seconded by Councillor C Skewes, the minutes of the meeting held on 11th August 2009 were agreed.

65 Matters Arising

Pg 19 Item 42: Dangerous Gravestone: Councillor J Godden reported that this had recently toppled over. The area has now been made safe and the safety barrier removed. The gravestone will be left lying down.

Pg 20 Item 48: Playground at Whitehall Estate: Chairman J Rowe confirmed that David Wrench from Cornwall Council had been to inspect the playground, and that he intends to make some repairs to the matting at some point. No timescale for the repairs were given.

Pg 24 Item 63: Road safety at St Kew Inn: T Mott confirmed that PC Malcolm Taylor had been to speak to Paul Ripley at St Kew Inn regarding his traffic concerns, and had made some suggestions for improvements they could make to improve the safety of pedestrians crossing the road to the car park.

Pg 24 Item 66: Ford Listing: Clerk has made enquiries and the ford is currently not listed. After speaking to the conservation officer at Cornwall Council, she was referred to English Heritage. They have advised an application be made to amend the existing bridge listing to include the ford as well. Clerk has application form and will start to complete. J Godden to locate some photographs and forward on any historical information to help the case.

Pg 26 Item 73: Parking on the green at St Kew Highway: Agenda

- for the next meeting.
Clerk to respond as link person
- 66** CC – Planning: Draft protocol for local councils
- a) CC Highways – Further correspondence from highways re: ford and potholes As above, clerk to progress application to list ford as potential protection against future concreting.
- b) CPRE Cornwall – planning training No councillors able to attend
- c) CC - Town and Parish newsletter update Aug 2009
- d) Community network update and meeting invitation Sarah Sims to attend November parish meeting. Agenda discussion re: priorities for next meeting.
- e) St Kew Playing Field Trust grant application Councillor T Wellington declared an interest and left the room. After some discussion, on a proposal by Councillor J Godden and seconded by Councillor C Skewes, it was agreed to award a grant of £100, payable on the working starting. Clerk to write to the trust to let them know.
- f) Any other important item of correspondence which the Chairman considers appropriate. The chairman informed the council that a letter of thanks had been received from Mr & Mrs Pearson in response to the council's support of their recent planning application.
- 67** **Planning and Decision Notices**
Decision Notices
- 2009/00833** Renewal of permission for erection of extension at The Chapel, Pendoggett for Mr & Mrs Bourne **APPROVED**
- 2009/01034** Application for prior notification for agricultural storage shed at Trelulla Farm, Trelill for Mr K Godden **APPROVED. No further information required.**
- 2009/00926** Conversion of barn and linney to two residential units at Barton Cottage, Trelill for Ms D Vernon **APPROVED**
- 2009/00913** Revised design to previously approved application to construct new cottage at Trewethen, Trelill for Mr A Bromfield **APPROVED**
- 68** **Schedule of monthly accounts** Chairman J Rowe declared an interest and handed the meeting over to Vice-Chairman R Godden. On a proposal by Councillor B Gabriel and seconded by Councillor R Davey cheque numbers 000808 - 000811 to a total amount of £220.31p were passed for signing. The meeting was passed back to Chairman J Rowe.
- 69** **Footpaths** Nothing to report.
- 70** **Remembrance Wreath** On a proposal by J Godden and seconded by B Gabriel, it was agreed that the clerk should order a wreath from British Legion and a £25 donation should be raised.
- 71** **Discussion regarding protecting St Kew Services petrol station** Deferred to next meeting. Clerk to write to Mrs Godfrey to ask her to attend the meeting.
- 72** **Parish Councillor reports** Councillor B Gabriel reported that the repairs to the rear and side walls of the parish hall had now been completed.
- 73** **Parish Plan Action Plan** Councillor T Mott reported that the steering group were still meeting, and were currently tying up the finances and reporting back to funders. They have advertised the proposed allotment scheme in the local press and parish newsletter, with only 6 enquiries. Are also speaking to Sarah Sims re: possible funding sources. Clerk passed on some possible funding information. The website is also currently

being updated and re-designed, including some content management software to enable clerk to upload agendas and minutes. It was proposed that three sub-committees be established to progress works in the following areas: 1) Allotments – Councillors T Mott and R Godden to continue with this. 2) Bus shelter for St Kew Highway – Councillor T Wellington to lead. 3) Road Safety – Councillor B Gabriel asked if this would also include continuing to try and get the speed limit through Pendoggett reduced. It was confirmed that it would.

74 Any other important matters

Councillor J Godden: Potholes – outside Trescobel and by Lanow. Clerk confirmed that she had reported both of these in the last month. It was agreed to write to Cornwall Council Highways and ask a representative to attend the next council meeting.

Councillor C Skewes: Dog Fouling Stickers – Chairman J Rowe to pass these on to her.

Councillor T Wellington: Planning restrictions re: Clover Meadow, Hendra Lane. Asked the council if anyone knew the planning restrictions re: stone crushing hours for the above property. Clerk to try and find out.

Councillor R Godden: Listed buildings – Has obtained a complete list of all listed structures within the parish, and this does not include the Eppingstock at St Kew Churchtown or the Telephone Box at Chapel Amble. Clerk to confirm this with Cornwall Council and see if applications for listing can be made.

Chairman J Rowe: Street lighting at St Kew Highway – Being obscured by trees. Clerk to contact street ranger. Put on list for Sarah Sims.

75 Items for Your Parish

Notice of discussion next month re: St Kew Services. Call for photos/information re: ford listing, eppingstock, phone box at Chapel Amble. Planning/Decision notices.

76 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 8:30pm

The agenda having contained the appropriate notice for the press and public to be excluded from the meeting to allow exempt information to be discussed, it was resolved to go into committee.

Items Containing Exempt Information

That the press and public be excluded from the Meeting in accordance with section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of confidential and exempt information'.

Co-option of a new councillor

The parish council received letters of application from Mr Andrew Campbell, Mr Arthur White, Mr John Parnell and Ms Judy Gray for the vacant position of parish councillor. After an informal discussion with all applicants, a vote was taken. In a unanimous decision, Mr John Parnell was co-opted onto the parish council. Clerk to write to all applicants to inform them of the result and thank them for their application.