# **TINTAGEL PARISH COUNCIL**



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# <u>DRAFT Minutes of a Meeting of the Tintagel Parish Council</u> <u>held on Wednesday 1st February 2012</u>

Present: Cllrs. Wickett, Flower, Dyer, Smith, Dangar, Dorman, Bull, Hodge & Roberts

16 members of the public were present

Apologies: Cllr. Menhenick

The Chairman welcomed Mr. John Brooks to the meeting. He had met with the Parish Council prior to the meeting and been co-opted as a member of the Parish Council.

# **Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest**

The following councillors declared a Personal interest in the following planning applications:-

Cllr. T. Dorman 09987

Cllr. R. Flower 00126

Cllr. T. Dangar 09987

Cllr. M. Smith 00126

Cllr. J. Brooks 00162

# <u>Invitation to members of the public to speak prior to meeting regarding items on the Agenda (10 minutes allowed for this item)</u>

Jeannie Hampshire of Trethevy spoke regarding her on-going complaint to Cornwall Council regarding work to a neighbouring property. She had made a Step 2 complaint and Richard Lambert of the Planning Office was carrying out an investigation. She had received no contact regarding a site meeting or a development plan for Trethevy. Plans on a neighbouring property had been refused and she quoted part of the reasons for refusal. She felt decisions being made were inconsistent. The access road was being damaged through overuse.

Cllr. Wickett confirmed that the Clerk had written to the Planning Department. A response had been received to say that a site meeting could not be agreed. Members of the Parish Council had managed to attend a short meeting with Mark Andrews and Julie Mitchell prior to attending a meeting on another matter (not planning related). The general feeling was that the meeting was not very constructive. It was confirmed by the planning department that each application is considered on its merits and different rules apply for rebuilding a property than they do for building an extension on an existing property. Councillors had asked that Cornwall Council consider an overall plan for Trethevy but were again told that each application is dealt with on its own merits.

Cllr. Hodge felt that the planning officers stood by regulations and guidance but that there was insufficient consistency. He did confirm that the Planning Department would accept a challenge regarding the roof height if neighbours wished to do so. He had asked the planning officer if she had visited the property since the development had taken place or intended to visit, both of which she answered no.

Ms. Hampshire understood that the roof height of an extension should not be higher than the existing property. Cllr. Hodge confirmed that this point had been raised with them.

Cllr. Wickett suggested that she contact the Ombudsman if she felt this was necessary.

Matt Ward, Tintagel Castle, spoke on behalf of the application by English Heritage for works to the café. The plan was to enhance the beach café and not to sell anything that was not already on the menu. The work to the kiosk and storeroom would be in keeping with existing buildings.

Chris Weight of Trethevy spoke about his frustration at the actions of the Planning Department. He thanked the Parish Council for their efforts to gain consistency. He had suggested himself to the planners that one or two officers be assigned to the area. He will keep badgering them.

Dorothy Baker spoke about her and her partner's application for a roof extension to Bradoc, Trethevy. She was sympathetic to Ms. Hampshire's on-going concerns and hoped that the Parish Council would look kindly on their application.

Ms. Salmon spoke about an application made by her partner at the Round House, Bossiney. She had noted on the planning website that one objection had been made regarding the fact that the development was outside the building line. She confirmed that it was actually within the building line.

Mrs. Hay and Mrs Brown attended the meeting to discuss possible celebrations for Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Cllr. Wickett had received a letter from the Lord Lieutenant. Cllr. Brown confirmed that he could allocate £100 from the Community Chest. Mrs. Hay and Mrs Brown knew of some other volunteers including members of the WI, some mums from the school. Mrs. Brown felt some bunting could be ordered asap due to demand. A small meeting would be held next week to gather some thoughts. Matter to be further discussed during the meeting.

# Minutes of the previous meeting 4th January and Matters Arising

Pg. 1288 – Cllr. Bull had heard of a French family who had come to stay specifically to visit the Castle and found it closed. Matt Ward confirmed that the English Heritage website was updated in November and they must have obtained their incorrect information elsewhere.

Cllr. Dorman proposed the minutes be signed as a true record, seconded by Cllr. Dyer. All in favour.

#### **REPORTS**

**Police** – did not attend. Clerk read out email received from Laurie O'Toole. She advised of some recent problems of antisocial behaviour in the Square and that the matter was being dealt with by the Police. Cllr. Dyer felt there were many problems with skateboarders in the village. It was agreed the Clerk would write to Laurie O'Toole and ask that the matter be monitored.

**CCC** C/Cllr. Brown did not have anything further to report. He would attend the Jubilee meeting if he could.

**Christmas Lighting Committee** Cllr. Smith did not have anything to report. Cllr. Wickett did note that the Parish Council would meet with the Lighting Committee at some time through the year.

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PA11/09987 Mr. Carl Hamilton, The Round House, Bossiney Road, Bossiney, Tintagel Change of use of office to holiday let

Clirs. Dangar & Dorman declared an interest.

It was agreed by all to make no comment on this application.

PA11.10918 Mr. R. Baker, English Heritage, Beach Café, Tintagel Castle, Tintagel PL34 OHE Change of use of store and redundant toilet block (which are attached to the Beach Café at Tintagel Castle) into a kiosk style catering unit (restoring missing roof to toilet block, sealing up windows and doors and forming new door openings)

Cllr. Smith proposed no objection, seconded by Cllr. Hodge. All in favour.

PA12/00162 Mr. Michael Smith, Alona Barn, Treven, Tintagel Installation of a multi fuel burning flue

It was agreed by all to make no comment on this application.

PA12/00126 Mr. A. Flower, Bradoc, Trethey, Tintagel Addition of first floor to existing bungalow

Cllr. Flower declared an interest and left the roof. Cllr. Smith declared an interest.

A discussion took place. Cllr Hodge was concerned at the roof height as from the plans it would appear that the roof height of the proposal is higher than the original. The Parish Council had already asked Cornwall Council for consistency. He suggested that the Planning Department be asked to check the height of the roof of the proposal in relation to the surrounding properties particularly those behind it. Seconded by Cllr. Dorman. 6 votes for.

Also to consider any other applications received since the Agenda was published.

PA12/00539 Mr. L. Dorich, Upton Farm, Trebarwith

Construction of conservatory to front of property (revised design to previously refused application PA11/08625)

No objection proposed by Cllr. Flower, seconded by Cllr. Smith. All in favour.

PA12/00516 BT Openreach, land at rear of Merton Cottage, Tregatta, Tintagel Siting of a green metal modular cabinet

No objection proposed by Cllr. Smith, seconded by Cllr. Hodge. All in favour.

#### Planning application PA10/05736, Excalibur, Trethevy, Tintagel

- Ms. J. Hampshire letter expressing concern re: scale
- Mrs. S. Weight letter expressing concern re: scale

The letters were noted.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

#### Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, June 2012

It was agreed with Mrs. Hay and Mrs. Brown that a meeting would be held next week to discuss initial ideas. Clerk to arrange a suitable date with Mrs. Brown and the meeting to possibly be held in the Methodist Schoolroom. They would arrange for any other interested parties to attend. Cllrs. Dyer, Bull and Dorman would attend. Cllr. Smith proposed the £500 allocated by the Parish Council be used as appropriate, seconded by Cllr. Bull. All in favour.

### Proposal for Affordable Housing development at rear of Fosters Lane

• Letter from Mr. & Mrs. D.J. Hassall – the letter was read out along with a further email from Mr. Hawkins.

The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council was hoping to meet with representatives from Cornwall Council and the Housing Association in the near future. An offer had been received from Cornwall Council to carry out a housing needs survey. Cllr. Flower proposed that a survey be carried out by Cornwall Council, seconded by Cllr. Dorman. All in favour.

# **Tintagel Visitor Centre - Update**

Cllr. Wickett confirmed that the sub-committee were still carrying out negotiations with Cornwall Council but that progress was good. Further information regarding the purchase and the Business Plan would be made to Cornwall Council the following morning.

Cllr. Wickett also confirmed he had spoken to Mrs. Frith and she was happy to consider returning the mace to the Centre once it was re-opened.

#### Trevena Square

- proposal for new cross/seat Councillor Wickett had met with Ms. Grose, adjoining landowner and she was happy in principle for part of the wall to be rebuilt. The Clerk and Cllr. Wickett had met with Mrs. Desousa earlier that day and explained the Parish Council's proposals for the area. She would get back to the Parish Council in due course as to whether she was happy for a part of her wall to be rebuilt.
- report of problems of anti-social behavior dealt with previously under Police reports.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

## **Cornwall Council**

- Register of Members Interests members advised to ensure their forms were up-to-date.
- Planning Training for Local Councils 2012/13 Clerk to obtain details on training on 16.2.12. and circulate to members.
- Camelot Community Hub email from Chris Sims noted
- Core Strategy Newsletter & Planning Future Cornwall Preferred Approach for a Core Strategy documents noted. Cllr. Hodge took the documents relating to our area.
- Leader message (6.1.12) noted
- Recycling Bank Rationalisation noted
- Street light columns and signs, Atlantic Road Cllr. Wickett had removed the signs from the street light columns following further correspondence with Cornwall Council. The signs would be relocated on to the Parish Council's own poles on their own land once the handyman returned from his holiday.

- Call for Potential Housing Sites noted
- Localism Newsletter 19.1.12 noted. Regarding public conveniences, Clerk to endeavor to get some prices from contractors. Cllr. Smith suggested we may be able to work with other neighbouring parishes and employ someone. Clerk to write to Cornwall Council regarding the article in the newsletter where it stated that finance was available to improve conveniences with a request that they consider increasing the number of toilets in Trevena Square.

## Duchy of Cornwall - Control of Dogs on Beaches noted

**Tintagelweb** – Request to make past Minutes available on Website – agreed that Agendas and past minutes could be displayed. It was noted that the Parish Council may have to consider its own website once things were up and running at the Visitor Centre.

#### **FOR INFORMATION**

Campaign to Protect Rural England – How to shape where you live : A guide to Neighbourhood Planning noted

**Cornwall Council – St. Pirans Holy Well, Trethevy** – the Clerk had received a copy of a complaint from a visitor. The matter was being dealt with by Cornwall Council who would also carry out investigation work to see why the well has dried up.

Cornwall Council - Cornwall Conversations, November 2011 - Summary of discussion noted

Julie Whitmarsh, Superintendent East Cornwall, Devon and Cornwall Police - Newsletter noted

Sita Cornwall - DVD of activities and reactions from local residents noted

#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Cllr. Flower proposed the cheques be signed, seconded by Cllr. Dorman. All in favour.

#### DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15p.m.

Chairman