

**Mullion Parish Council Meeting** held on **Tuesday 15 April 2025** at **7.00pm** in The Centenary Room, Methodist Chapel, Churchtown, Mullion

### **Councillors Present**

Mr G Atkinson  
Ms J Birnie  
Mr A Gilbert  
Mr R Ormond  
Mr J Pascoe (Chair)

Mr M Rowse  
Mrs L Skeites  
Mr R Willey  
Mrs K Wilson

The Chair opened the meeting, advised of the fire and public speaking procedures and welcomed everyone.

One member of the public was present.

#### **1. Public Session**

No issues were raised.

#### **2. Absence**

Councillor C Rule had submitted her apologies to the meeting.

#### **3. Minutes**

It was proposed by Councillor M Rowse, seconded by Councillor Ms J Birnie and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 18 March 2025 be approved as a true record and were duly signed by the Chair.

#### **4. Declarations of Interest**

None.

#### **5. Planning**

The following application were received from Cornwall Council for discussion:-

PA25/02048 - White Wings Polhorman Lane - Erection of rear single-storey conservatory

There were no public comments online.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs K Wilson, seconded by Councillor Ms J Birnie and RESOLVED to support the application.

PA25/02054 - Mundys Cellar, Mullion Cove - Listed Building Consent for re-roofing of existing building on like for like basis

There were no public comments online.

It was proposed by Councillor A Gilbert, seconded by Councillor Mrs K Wilson and RESOLVED to support the application.

The Clerk advised the meeting that the Parish Council had received £2175.50 in Community Infrastructure Levy payments from Cornwall Council. This funding would be put towards the installation of the new play equipment.

## **6. Report from Cornwall Councillor A Soady**

Cornwall Councillor Anthony Soady had submitted an email report which had been circulated to the Councillors. The Clerk had sent an email to Cornwall Councillor Soady, again, highlighting some issues of concern in his conduct. She had not received a reply.

## **7. Chair and Clerks Comments**

None.

## **8. Public Rights of Way**

The following Applications for Modifications of the Definitive Map and Statement of Rights of Way had been received:-

WCA764 – Potential addition of a Bridleway from Polurrian Beach to footpath 36 and potential upgrade of sections of footpath 36 and footpath 58 to bridleway from footpath 36 to Polurrian Road and Polurrian Cove

The 1908 Public Rights of Way Map clearly shows that these paths are footpaths. There are no rights on the footpaths for horses or cyclists, and if they have been used by either, they have been used illegally. As such, any previous use by either horses or cyclists should not be used as evidence. Fifty percent of the proposed upgrade from footpath to bridleway is the South West Coast Path. Has that organisation been made aware of this proposal as a Consultee? This application is commercially motivated and will cause a conflicts between pedestrians and horse riders – strings of horses from the local riding stables will use these paths regularly which are well used by pedestrians. Accessing the proposed upgraded footpath from Polurrian Beach is incredibly dangerous for horses due to the rocky beach access. Cycle use will also increase over the South West Coast Path, on which they are not permitted.

WCA765 – Potential upgrade of sections of footpaths 32 and 55 to bridleways from classified road C91 to Classified C91 at Poldhu Cove

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Nursing Home, not via the permitted path adjoining the Marconi Centre. Horses will find it very difficult to navigate the official path.

It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor K Wilson and RESOLVED to submit the comments above to the Public Rights of Way Team at Cornwall Council. There was one abstention.

## **9. Public Open Spaces**

The new play equipment had been installed in the Park. The crowdfunder had raised £638.33 – thanks to Councillor K Wilson. The final invoice would now be paid.

The Co-op had funding available. It was proposed by Councillor A Gilbert, seconded by Councillor R Willey and RESOLVED to apply for £250 towards a new bench for the park.

The Clerk had obtained three quotes for the replacement wooden fence on the park boundary, which had been circulated to Councillors. It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor G Atkinson and RESOLVED to accept Mike Tonkins quote. He would be asked to commence the work as soon as possible.

Quotes for a new door on the CCTV hut had been received. It was proposed by Councillor K Wilson, seconded by Councillor R Willey and RESOLVED to install a new UPVC door. One Councillor abstained from the vote. Councillor R Ormond would liaise with the company.

The badger in the Cemetery was still active.

## **10. Highways**

Councillor R Ormond had been approached by a member of the public regarding the traffic calming at the junction of Nansmellyon Road and Willis Vean. It was explained that Cornwall Council Highways Department would not agree to funding the installation of planters on the wide pavement or bollards outside of Trelismore. The Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Department again to see if anything could be done to stop the parking on the wide kerb and the possibility of having more bollards installed.

## **11. To receive any LGA 1972 Section 137 Requests for funding**

Mullion Christmas Lights Committee had submitted a request for funding towards the training for street closures.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs K Wilson, seconded by Councillor Ms J Birnie and RESOLVED to support the application with a cheque for £120.00. Two Councillors abstained from the vote.

The Mullion Heritage Society had submitted a request for funding for £200.00 to help towards their ongoing costs.

It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor A Gilbert and RESOLVED to support the application.

The Mullion Surf Life Saving Club had submitted a request for funding for £300 towards the purchase of a defibrillator for Polurrian Beach.

It was proposed by Councillor R Ormond, seconded by Councillor M Rowse and RESOLVED to support the application with a cheque for £150.00.

Mullion Extravaganza had submitted a request for funding towards their 2025 event.

It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor A Gilbert and RESOLVED to support the application with a cheque for £200.00. Four Councillors abstained from the vote. There would be no funding available for this event in the future – the use of the park would be the Parish Council’s donation.

**12. Finance and Accounts**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs K Wilson, seconded by Councillor M Rowse and RESOLVED to confirm the accounts and to pay the invoices.

**13. Planning Enforcement**

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Signed: .....  
**Chair**

Dated: .....