

Mullion Parish Council Meeting held on **Tuesday 21 May 2019** at **7.21pm** in The Centenary Room, Methodist Chapel, Churchtown, Mullion

Councillors Present

P Gilbert	Mrs C Rule
I Harvey (Vice Chairman)	Mrs L Skeites
J Lang	P Wilkins
H Pickett (Chairman)	R Willey
M Rowse	

Six members of the public attended the meeting.

The Clerk opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and advised of the fire procedures.

1. Election of a Chairman

It was proposed by Councillor I Harvey, seconded by Councillor Mrs C Rule and unanimously RESOLVED to elect Councillor H Pickett to the role of Chairman for the forthcoming year.

The Chairman accepted the position and signed the Acceptance of Office form.

2. Election of a Vice-Chairman

The Chairman asked for nominations for the election of a Vice Chairman. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs C Rule, seconded by Councillor Mrs L Skeites and unanimously RESOLVED to appoint Councillor I Harvey to the position.

The Vice Chairman accepted the position and signed the Acceptance of Office form.

3. Public Session

No issues were raised.

4. Absence

Councillor Mrs K Wilson had submitted her apologies to the Clerk.

5. Minutes

It was proposed by Councillor M Rowse, seconded by Councillor Mrs L Skeites and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16 April 2019 be approved as a true record and was duly signed by the Chairman.

6. Declarations of Interest

None.

7. Planning

Following consideration by the Councillors of the Planning Applications received from Cornwall Council, the following decisions were made:

PA19/03171- Mr S Burt - Plot Adj To Number 2 Churchy Fields, Laflouder Fields - Reserved Matters application following Outline Approval PA18/03974 dated 10 July 2018

No comments had been received for this application. It was proposed by Councillor J Lang, seconded by Councillor P Gilbert and RESOLVED to support the application.

PA19/03750 – Mr & Mrs Raftery & Miss Finney – Avarest, Gwel An Garrek – Proposed garage conversion to form utility and new detached garage

No comments had been received for this application. However, a neutral comment had been submitted online suggesting that a flat roof would be less intrusive. It was proposed by Councillor I Harvey, seconded by Councillor P Wilkins and RESOLVED to support the application.

PA19/04139 – Mrs K Brett & Mr C Galwey – Mor Ros, Laflouder Lane – Refurbishment, alterations and new detached garage

Councillors agreed that there were delighted to see a property being refurbished and not demolished. It was proposed by Councillor I Harvey, seconded by Councillor P Gilbert and RESOLVED to support the application.

PA19/04099 – Mr & Mrs Sach – Bay View, Churchtown – Attic conversion to utilise roof space and detached garage

The Applicants attended the meeting and explained why they required the additional space. One objector attended the meeting and stated that he did not wish to see any further back yard developments in this area.

Councillors raised concern regarding the rear of the property being out of character with the surrounding properties by creating a third floor. However, they felt that the attic conversion could be supported.

In relation to the detached garage, it was noted that access to the garage via Eglos Parc could cause a conflict between vehicles and pedestrians which accessed Eglos Parc directly opposite the proposed garage. It was also considered to be overdevelopment of the site due to the sheer scale of the proposed garage, which would be two storeys. Concerns were raised over the use for the second floor of the garage, which it was suggested could be used for a commercial enterprise.

It was therefore proposed by Councillor J Lang, seconded by Councillors Mr M Rowse and RESOLVED to object to the planning application for the reasons stated above. Councillor Mrs C Rule abstained from the vote.

8. Report from Cornwall Councillor Mrs C Rule

Cornwall Councillor Mrs C Rule advised the meeting that the Annual Cornwall Council Meeting had taken place that day. Hilary Frank had been elected Chairman of the Council and Julian German the Leader.

The next Community Network Meeting would take place on Wednesday 5 June at Goonhilly. The Clerk would resend the joining instructions.

Councillor Rule's Community Chest Fund was open once again for applications.

Cornwall Council and Helston Town Council had declared a Climate Emergency. A 'Make and Pledge' leaflet would be circulated by email.

The Village Hall requested a member of the Parish Council to sit on their Committee. An item would be placed on the June agenda for discussion.

9. Chairman and Clerks Comments

The Clerk advised the meeting that Catherine Lee, the National Trust Warden for the area, would be in attendance at the June meeting.

10. Public Rights of Way

None.

11. Public Open Spaces

The fence at the park required some attention. The Chairman agreed to undertake any work required. He would also paint the CCTV hut.

It was agreed that the days and times that Dogs were allowed Beaches should remain the same, following a consultation by Cornwall Council.

12. Highways

The Clerk had obtained a quote for the replacement 'Welcome to Mullion' signs from the original designer and producer. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs C Rule, seconded by Councillor M Rowse and RESOLVED to instruct the company to manufacture the signs and place them in the correct position.

It was noted that there were several, what looked like, abandoned cars in Tremennee Car Park. The Clerk had recently checked the vehicles online, all of which were taxed. Until the tax ran out, Cornwall Council would not remove the cars.

13. Dispensation for voting of matters relating to the Playing Field as Trustees

The Clerk advised the meeting that a Dispensation was required to allow the Parish Councillors to discuss and vote on matters relating to St Mellans Park as Trustees. A Dispensation had been granted to the Parish Councillors previously, but a fresh agreement was required at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

It was proposed by Councillor I Harvey, seconded by Councillor R Willey and RESOLVED for the Council to award all Members a dispensation in respect of decisions relating to the St Mellans Park until the day of the Annual Meeting in May 2020.

14. Insurance Policy 2019-20

It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor I Harvey and RESOLVED to accept the insurance quotation from BHIB Insurance Brokers who had taken over the provision of Local Council Insurance from AON.

15. Mullion in Bloom monthly payments

It was proposed by Councillor J Lang, seconded by Councillor I Harvey and unanimously RESOLVED to continue paying Mullion in Bloom £366.17 per month to assist with the maintenance of open spaces, flower beds and general upkeep of the Village.

16. RoSPA Report

The RoSPA report had been low risk and it was agreed to undertake the work requested. South West Play had quoted £1,050 plus VAT to address the issues raised. It was proposed by Councillor I Harvey, seconded by Councillor P Gilbert and RESOLVED to accept the quote and instruct South West Play to undertake the work.

17. To discuss the Community Governance Review for Cornwall

The Clerk had placed a notice on the notice board and on the website and no comments had been received from the public. It was proposed by Councillor I Harvey, seconded by Councillor J Lang and RESOLVED to respond to Cornwall Council's consultation stating that Mullion Parish Council wished to maintain the status quo.

18. To receive any LGA 1972 Section 137 Requests for funding

None.

19. Annual Accounts to Year End 31 March 2019

i) To complete the Annual Governance Statement for the Year Ending 31 March 2019

It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor I Harvey and RESOLVED to complete the Annual Governance Statement. The Chairman signed the relevant section of the audit form.

ii) To receive and approve the internally audited accounts for the Year Ending 31 March 2019

It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor I Harvey and RESOLVED to approve the audited accounts. The Chairman signed the relevant section of the audit form.

iii) To receive and note the report of the Internal Auditor

The meeting received and noted the report of the Internal Auditor.

iv) To appoint an Internal Auditor for 2019-20

David Quill had advised the Clerk that he was retiring this year. He recommended Michelle Bowley, who also lived in the village and who had agreed to be the Internal Auditor for the Parish Council. It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor I Harvey and RESOLVED to appoint Michelle Bowley as the Internal Auditor.

20. Finance and Accounts

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs C Rule, seconded by Councillor Mrs L Skeites and RESOLVED to confirm the accounts and to pay the invoices.

21. Other correspondence received

Councillor Mrs K Wilson had advised the Clerk of the Woodland Trusts initiative to plant more trees. It was agreed that the information should be forwarded to Mullion in Bloom.

The following item was to be held in private session, and it was proposed by Councillor Mrs L Skeites, seconded by Councillor M Rowse and RESOLVED to exclude the public from the Meeting.

22. Planning Enforcement

23. Clerk's Salary

The Clerk left the room during the discussion of this item. It was proposed by Councillor J Lang, seconded by Councillor R Willey and RESOLVED to increase the Clerks salary for the forthcoming year to SCP21.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.29pm.

Signed:

Chairman

Dated: