

Mullion Parish Council Meeting held on **Tuesday 15 September 2009** at 7.00pm at The Schoolroom, Methodist Chapel, Mullion

Councillors Present

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| R Curnow | P Wilkins |
| A V Gilbert | R Willey |
| Mrs S Ireland | C Williams |
| J Lang (Chairman) | D Williams |
| C Rule | |

PCSO Julia Berry and three members of the public also attended the meeting.

1. Public Session

There were no comments from the public.

2. Police Report

PCSO Berry advised the meeting of the Police Reports for the previous month as attached to these minutes.

PCSO Berry was asked by Councillors to investigate the positioning of two untaxed cars on Tregellas Road. This matter had previously been reported to the abandoned vehicle department at Cornwall Council. It was also alleged that a resident of Tregellas Road had been frightened by some youths in the area, and PCSO Berry agreed to visit the resident.

3. Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Mrs C Rule.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 11 August 2009 were proposed by Councillor C Rule, seconded by Councillor R Willey, unanimously approved and then signed off by the Chairman as a true record.

5. Declarations of Interest

Councillor C Williams declared a personal and prejudicial interest in respect of item 11 due to submitting a tender for the provision of a track in the cemetery.

6. Report from Cornwall Councillor Mrs C Rule

Due to Councillor Mrs C Rule not being present at the meeting, no report was given.

The Chairman confirmed that Councillor Mrs C Rule had been present at the Cornwall Council's Planning Committee in respect of the Criggan Mill application, held the previous week.

7. Public Rights of Way

The Clerk advised the meeting that the National Trust had been in contact with Defence Estate contractors in relation to the bridleway on Predannack Airfield. The worst of the overgrowth had been trimmed back, and more significant works would take place on the path during the Autumn and Winter months.

The Chairman thanked Councillor R Willey for his dedication in working with the Community Payback Service to clear the overgrowth on Bridleway 35 leading to Polurrian Cove. This scheme was proving to be worthwhile, and the Clerk was asked to contact the Community Payback Service to pass on the Parish Council's thanks and to request that the invoice for the expenses be sent in the near future.

The Clerk had that day received an email from the Countryside Officer advising that a digger had been on site at Bridleway 35 to undertake some ditching work. It was, however, noted by Councillors that this had not achieved the desired effect, and would have been far more constructive if the Workmen had met with a representative from the Council prior to undertaking the work. The Clerk was asked to respond to the Countryside Officer to this effect.

A letter had been received from Cabinet Member Councillor Julian German in response to a meeting held with Tom Fletcher. Councillor J German gave his full support for the work that the Parish Council was doing on the footpaths, and gave assurance that there is scope for negotiation on the level of grant paid by Cornwall Council to the Parish Council.

Councillor D Williams joined the meeting.

8. Public Open Spaces

The Clerk advised the meeting of the current situation in regard to the legal claim against the Council in the Forge Car Park. The Parish Council's insurers had responded to the claimant's solicitors at the end of July advising that liability was not accepted, and were now awaiting any reaction to that repudiation.

Following entry into Cornwall's Best Kept Village Competition 2009, the Clerk advised the meeting that Mullion had not been awarded a certificate this year, but was congratulated on its tidiness.

9. County Highways Issues

The meeting was advised of the following road closure:-

Trewoon Road between the junction of Meaver Road and Clahar Cottage from 12th to 14th October 2009 (24 hours) for drainage works.

Councillors advised the meeting of the re-opening of potholes around the village, and that the temporary fix on the manhole cover outside of Tremenhee house had worked loose. The Clerk was asked to report these problems yet again to the Highways Department.

10. Planning

Following consideration by the Councillors of the Planning Application received from Cornwall Council, the following decision was made.

PA09/01119/F – Mr J VanHorn – Demolition of existing garage and erection of seven houses and two flats (amended design) – Mullion Garage, Churchtown

No comments had been received from the public, and the site was located within the village development boundary and had previously received planning permission from the Planning Authority for a similar scheme. The amended design differed significantly to the proposal put forward by the applicant and their agent at the pre-application meeting with the Parish Council due to the Planning Officers recommendations.

It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor D Williams and agreed to support the planning application.

PA09/01189/F – Mr & Mrs Terry-Lee – Erection of a replacement dwelling – Meadowbank, Angrouse Lane

No comments had been received from the public on this application, and Councillors noted that this application was in-keeping with the original and existing 'wireless' bungalows on Angrouse Lane.

It was proposed by the Councillor R Curnow, seconded by Councillor R Willey and agreed to support the planning application.

The Chairman advised the meeting of the following Decision Notices received from Cornwall Council.

PA09/00793/F – Mr I Hamilton – Erection of a conservatory extension to dwelling – Moonraker, 9 Commons Close – Conditional Permission for Development granted

PA09/00953/F – Mr J Thomas – Erection of replacement extension to dwelling – 54 Laflouder Fields - Conditional Permission for Development granted

PA09/00683/F – Mr & Mrs G Rich – Erection of extensions, alterations and loft conversion to dwelling and erection of a domestic garage – Pembroke House, Churchtown - Conditional Permission for Development granted

PA09/00888/TPO – Devon & Cornwall Housing Association – Tree felling and thinning – Woodlands, Lender Lane - Permission granted

PA09/00866/F – Mr C DiMatteo – Retention and completion of dwelling (amended design) – Greenacres, Polurrian Road - Conditional Permission for Development granted

PA09/00905/F – Mr T Williams – Conversion of existing domestic garage into part of residential accommodation, formation of a pitched roof over and erection of a new domestic garage – 40 Laflouder Fields - Conditional Permission for Development granted

PA09/01001/F – Mr & Mrs S Lester – Erection of an extension to dwelling – 31 Gibbons Fields - Conditional Permission for Development granted

The Chairman advised the meeting that the Criggan Mill application had gone before Cornwall Council's Planning Committee on Tuesday 8 September 2009. Members of the Planning Committee had resolved to visit the site prior to determining the application, and the site visit was to be held on Wednesday 16 September 2009 at 2.45pm.

11. Amenity Monies

The Clerk advised the meeting that no response had been received from Cornwall Council following the Parish Council's request to use a portion of the amenity money to install (but not maintain or run) CCTV in St Mellans Park.

Mullion Youth and Community Centre had contacted the Parish Council with regard to a project that had been developed by young people at the centre for enhancing the play equipment in the park for the community. The young people requested the opportunity to present a short video to a Parish Council meeting in the autumn, and the Clerk confirmed that she would respond to MYCC with a list of meeting dates.

No further recommendations for the spending of the money had been received from residents in the Village, and the Clerk was requested to remove the notices from the notice boards in the village.

12. Construction of a vehicular access in Mullion Cemetery

Councillor C Williams declared a personal and prejudicial interest, signed the Declaration of Interests Register and left the room, due to submitting a tender for the provision of a vehicular access in the cemetery.

Following a request by Councillors for the Clerk to obtain quotes regarding possible extension of vehicular access in Mullion Cemetery, two quotes had been submitted, but following lengthy discussion, Councillors voted four against, and three for (with one abstention) the proposal. The Clerk would therefore contact Tonkin's Funeral Directors advising them of the resolution.

Councillor C Williams re-joined the meeting.

13. CCTV in Tremenhee and The Forge car parks

Following the last meeting of the Parish Council, the Clerk had contacted all the relevant companies in relation to the revised specification for the provision of CCTV in the park and car parks, but had yet to receive any revised quotes. The Clerk was asked to chase the companies and bring the quotes to the next meeting of the Council.

A quote had however been received from C J Williams for the construction of a block built CCTV unit in St Mellans Park, which would be discussed further at the next meeting once the revised quotes had been received.

14. LGA 1972 requests for funding

The Chairman read a letter received from Mullion Youth and Community centre requesting a contribution of £5,000.00 towards running costs for the coming year. Councillors resolved to decline

the request due to the amount requested being between a quarter and a fifth of the Council's annual budget.

A letter had also been received from Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust. It was proposed by Councillor A Gilbert, seconded by Councillor P Wilkins and resolved that a donation be made. The sum of £200.00 was agreed to be donated to the Air Ambulance Trust.

15. Finance and Accounts

It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by the Chairman and unanimously agreed to confirm the accounts and to pay the invoices.

16. Nominations for a representative to sit on Cornwall Council Planning Liaison Group

Nominations were requested for the opportunity to sit on the newly formed Cornwall Council Planning Liaison Group. It was noted that only five Councillors would be appointed from each delivery area with a balanced representation from small, medium and large Councils in Cornwall.

It was proposed by Councillor P Wilkins, seconded by Councillor R Curnow and unanimously agreed that the Chairman be nominated as a representative to the Cornwall Council Planning Liaison Group. The Clerk would duly complete and submit the nomination papers.

17. CALC General Meeting

The Clerk advised the meeting of the next general meeting of CALC which would take place on Tuesday 29 September 2009 at the Council Chamber, New County Hall, Truro at 7.30pm. The Clerk confirmed that she would be attending the meeting.

18. Police Authority Liaison Meeting

The Clerk advised the meeting of the next Police Authority Liaison Meeting which would take place at the School Hall, Redruth School, Tolgus Vean, Redruth on Wednesday 23 September 2009 at 7.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Signed:
Chairman

Dated: