

Mullion Parish Council Meeting held on **Tuesday 19 October 2010** at 7.00pm at The Schoolroom, Methodist Chapel, Mullion

Councillors Present

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

29 members of the public were also in attendance for the public session, the majority of whom left after Item 1.

1. Public Session

Several householders, from Rivera Close, Nansmellyon Road, attended to address problems which had arisen on the estate. PC Cormack and PCSO Berry had spoken to residents and a letter from the Police had been circulated to all of the properties. A separate letter from a resident had been sent to the Parish Council outlining perceived difficulties between older residents and young people in the same area. This letter requested specific details regarding Amenity funds and included the thought that use of such funds to construct a purpose built play area elsewhere would solve the problem. Several suggestions for the spending of the money were put forward by residents, who also indicated willingness to support and assist in, the creation of new play facilities. The history of the Amenity funds was carefully explained, together with the conditions for their use.

The Chairman thanked the residents for their contribution and suggested that a useful move in what is effectively a dispute between neighbours would be to create a local Residents Association, an idea which has already proved effective elsewhere in the village. He then went on to suggest that parents should consider recreational options and work up a realistic plan, a joint venture if necessary, to include costs and long term sustainability (for example, site acquisition, setup, maintenance, insurance, supervision, health and safety considerations etc.). This proposal could then be presented to the Parish Council for assessment. If this was acceptable then a contribution towards costs might be made against Amenity funds.

2. Police Report

PC Cormack was unable to attend the meeting but had sent a report to the Clerk. The Chairman updated the meeting of the Police Report for the previous month as attached to these minutes.

3. Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor C Rule. Councillor D Williams was also not in attendance.

4. Minutes

It was proposed by Councillor C Williams, seconded by Councillor R Curnow and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21 September 2010 be approved as a true record and be duly signed by the Chairman.

5. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interests were received.

6. Public Rights of Way

The Clerk advised the meeting that the Countryside Officer had been contacted in relation to a complaint made regarding Footpath 2, Predannack Manor Farm. The field edge section had been ploughed up to the boundary hedge in places, and a cross field portion had been cultivated. Neither section had been re-instated. It was reported that Footpath 15, across Wesley Field, Angrouse Farm was in a similar condition. The Clerk was requested to ask the Countryside Officer for guidelines regarding ploughed and/or cultivated land on which there are public rights of way.

The Clerk was also requested to ascertain the current position on Footpath 3, Steephurst, Nansmellyon Road. A complaint regarding the entrance to this footpath had previously been reported to the Countryside Officer. The Clerk was also asked to make enquiries regarding tree planting at Trenance/Mullion Meadows as concern had been expressed that the views from the existing footpath would be compromised.

7. Public Open Spaces

The Clerk advised the meeting that following a very useful and informative training session on Cemetery Management, several changes had been made to improve practices surrounding the administration of the cemetery.

8. County Highways Issues

The Chairman was delighted to inform the meeting that the partial resurfacing of Meaver Road would take place on and around 29 November 2010.

In relation to the road closure required in Churchtown to allow for the lowering of the kerb opposite Barnwood Cottage, the Chairman and Clerk had met with Highways Officers to discuss the alternative route. The owners of Barnwood Cottage also proposed to undertake any work on the front of the property at the same time. It was thought that three way traffic lights would be installed at the top and bottom of Lender Lane and adjacent to the Mounts Bay Inn. Residents would be notified of the road closure prior to the works taking place, both by road signs and in the West Briton.

9. Planning

Following consideration by the Councillors of the Planning Applications received from Cornwall Council, the following decisions were made for recommendation to Cornwall Council.

PA10/05493 – Messrs D & J Bray – Torn An Forth, Nansmellyon Road – Demolition of dwelling and construction of replacement with garage and associated works

No written comments had been received from the public on this application which was located within the village boundary. It was noted that verbal representations had been made to the Chairman by residents of St Mellans Terrace relating to the increased ridge height and increased volume, construction traffic and additional traffic onto St Mellans Terrace.

It was proposed by Councillor C Williams, seconded by Councillor Mrs S Ireland and RESOLVED to support the planning application. The Chairman voted against the application.

PA10/05809 – Mr & Mrs D Oates – Little Meres, Laflouder Lane – Construction of gazebo

No comments had been received from the public on this application which was located within the village boundary.

It was proposed by Councillor P Wilkins, seconded by Councillor R Curnow and RESOLVED to support the planning application.

PA10/06281 - Mr A Furber - Rear of Kimberley, Nansmellyon Road - Demolition of domestic garage and construction of dwelling

As a published Agenda item, Council deliberation and a vote could have been taken. The applicant's representative encouraged this course of action. However it was noted that the normal procedure of site notification and press advertisement had not been followed. To allow interested parties time to comment, it was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor R Curnow and RESOLVED to defer the decision of this application to the next Parish Council meeting. The Chairman was asked to call an Extraordinary Meeting if the Planning Officer did not agree to an extension in the consultation deadline.

The Chairman advised the meeting of the following Planning Decisions received from Cornwall Council.

PA10/04542 – Mr & Mrs M Bravery – 2 & 3 Meaver Cottages, Meaver Road – Alterations and extensions and construction of three spaces garage with ancillary parking - Conditional Permission Granted

PA10/03775 – Mr & Mrs A Bird – Trembel Cottage, Trembel Lane – Extensions and alterations to dwelling - Conditional Permission Granted

PA10/04326 – Mr & Mrs A Punter – Mullion Gymnastics Centre, Trembel Lane – Extension and alterations to premises - Conditional Permission Granted

PA10/03798 – Mr M Dorrell – Tanglewood, Meaver Road – Extensions to dwelling - Conditional Permission Granted

The Planning Enforcement Officer had confirmed that the file relating to the art gallery at Nonsuch, Polurrian Cliff had been closed due to the event only being temporary.

A letter of objection had been received following the last Parish Council meeting regarding the proposed two storey extension for Mr & Mrs C Rule at 1 Parc En Venton. The letter had been

forwarded to the Planning Authority by the Clerk and the objector had been informed that a decision had already been taken at Parish level.

The decision notice for the erection of an agricultural barn at Paradise Farm had yet to be issued due to an ongoing legal dispute between the objectors, applicant and Cornwall Council. It was hoped that this would be issued imminently.

10. The amendment of the standard agenda to take Planning Applications following the standard items

Following a discussion regarding the background which led to Planning Applications being discussed at 8pm, it was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Mrs S Ireland and RESOLVED to move the item 'Planning Applications' to item 6 on the standard agenda. This would allow for the public to leave the meeting earlier if they were attending solely for a planning application. Cornwall Councillor Mrs C Rule's report would follow at item 7.

11. The reinstatement of a bench on the footway outside of Mullion Youth and Community Centre (MYCC)

The concrete ends for the bench were ready for dispatch from the company once payment had been received. The cheque was due to be signed later on in the meeting.

The Clerk had been contacted by the Chairman of MYCC following the recent departure of the Manager. The Clerk had advised the Chairman of MYCC of the current situation and discussion which had taken place with the Manager, and the Chairman was delighted with the progress that had been made to date.

12. Proposed Affordable housing Development plan document (previously circulated)

Following the attendance of the Chairman and the Clerk at a meeting held on the Proposed Affordable housing Development plan, the document had been circulated electronically to Councillors. The Clerk confirmed that she also had two hard copies of the document.

It was agreed to discuss this document at the next Parish Council meeting due to the length of the report, and the consultation deadline being 29 November 2010.

13. Provision of a new bus shelter in the Village

The Chairman advised the meeting that the two most popular bus stops, without a shelter, in the village were The Commons (on the way to Helston) and The Old Chapel (on the way to the Lizard). The bus stop situated at the Holiday Park at the junction with the A3083 was also popular with bus users heading towards the Village and then onwards to Helston.

Further investigation into the possibility of locating a bus shelter on the Commons was needed, and the Chairman and Clerk hoped to come back to the next meeting with further information.

14. Amenity Monies

Following the previous meeting when comments were made on the draft Map of Mullion, the Clerk advised the meeting that the map creator was on holiday until the end of the month and therefore no further progress had been made.

Further to the representations made to the Council at the beginning of the meeting, the Councillors looked forward to receiving proposals from interested parties within the village regarding the installation of play equipment. In the meantime, it was proposed by Councillor P Wilkins, seconded by Councillor A Gilbert and RESOLVED to instruct the Clerk to research the spending of circa £25,000.00 of the amenity money on play equipment for St Mellans Park. She was requested to bring proposals back to a future meeting of the Council for further discussion.

15. LGA 1972 Requests for Funding

A thank you letter had been received from the Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust for the £100.00 grant made by the Parish Council in September 2010.

A letter had been received from the Mullion Branch of the Royal British Legion regarding the 2010 Poppy Appeal. It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Mrs S Ireland and RESOLVED to donate £25.00 to the charity to include the purchasing of a wreath for Mullion Parish Council for laying at the Remembrance Day Parade.

16. Finance and Accounts

It was proposed by Councillor C Williams, seconded by Councillor Mrs S Ireland and RESOLVED to confirm the accounts and to pay the invoices.

17. Remembrance Day Services

The Chairman advised the meeting that the Remembrance Day Parade was to be held on Sunday 14 November at 2.30pm at RBL Hall and a Two Minute Silence and Service on Thursday 11 November at 10.45 in the New Cemetery. Everyone was invited to attend both events.

18. Other correspondence received

The Chairman advised the meeting of the following:-

Cornwall Countryside Access Strategy Review presentation to be held on Monday 25 October 2010 at 7.30pm to be held in Helston Methodist Chapel. The Clerk confirmed that she would be attending.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

Signed:
Chairman

Dated: