

Mullion Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16 October 2012 at 7.00pm at The Centenary Room, Methodist Chapel, Churchtown, Mullion

Councillors Present

D German	R Willey
Mrs S Ireland	C Williams
J Lang (Chairman)	D Williams
P Wilkins	

Six members of the public also attended the meeting.

The Chairman opened the meeting and read the fire procedures to everyone present.

1. Public Session

No issues were raised in the public session.

2. Police Report

The Chairman advised the meeting of the Police Report for the month of September as attached to these minutes. He also stated that trespass had occurred at Teneriffe Farm. The Police were involved, and more detail would be given when available.

3. Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs C Rule and C Rule. Councillor A Gilbert was also not in attendance.

4. Minutes

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs S Ireland, seconded by Councillor C Williams and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 02 October 2012 be approved as a true record and be duly signed by the Chairman.

5. Declarations of Interest

None.

6. Planning

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

PA12/08925 – Mr M Grimshaw – The Lantern, Glenmoor Lane – Works to 4 sycamores and 1 ash tree

The Applicant attended the meeting and advised Members that the works to the trees were required for maintenance reasons.

It was proposed by Councillor R Willey, seconded by Councillor P Wilkins and RESOLVED to support this application.

With regard to the application to allow year round occupancy at Criggan Mill, it was noted that this application would be recommended for approval by the Planning Officer so long as conditions relating to a Flood Risk Management Plan and sewage discharge were met.

7. Report from Cornwall County Councillor Mrs C Rule

Councillor Mrs C Rule was not in attendance to give a report.

8. Chairman and Clerks Comments

The Clerk advised the meeting that the Affordable Housing Officer at Cornwall Council had given an update on the proposed affordable housing in Mullion. He had stated that a further phase at Parc en Venton was looking like a potential site again, although it may be a while before funding becomes available. It Councillors were eager for him to explore other sites, he would. It was noted that a further phase at Parc en Venton was the Parish Council's preferred site, and that the Parish Council would await further news from the Affordable Housing Officer.

9. Public Rights of Way

It was noted that Footpath 3 was still impassable on foot, and Councillor R Willey suggested that the Footpath Officer from Cornwall Council could meet him on site to discuss the situation. The Clerk agreed to pass on this information.

Complaints were received regarding overhanging vegetation onto the pavement from properties on St Mellans Terrace and Nansmellyon Road. Councillor R Willey agreed to visit the site to assess the overgrowth before the Clerk sent a letter.

10. Public Open Spaces

None

11. County Highways Issues

The Clerk advised the meeting of the following road closures:-

Royal British Legion Remembrance Parade – 11 November 2012 – 14:40 – 15:00 and 16:15 – 16:40 Churchtown for its entire length and between the junctions of Meaver Road and Churchtown

Christmas Lights Switch On – 8 December 2012 – 17:00 – 20:00 – Churchtown between the junctions of Nansmellyon Road and Lender Lane (one way system on Lender Lane to be suspended).

Potholes on Poldhu Hill had been filled by Cormac Solutions, although water was pouring from a drain/culvert on the left hand side of the hill. The Clerk had reported it to South West Water.

It was reported that the school sign on the approach to Mullion School from the village had rusted at the bottom of the pole. The Clerk would advise Cornwall Council.

12. Code of Conduct Complaint against a member of the Parish Council

The Chairman advised the meeting that a Code of Conduct Complaint about a member of the Parish Council had been made to the Monitoring Officer at Cornwall Council. Although the content of the complaint could not be discussed, he did outline the procedure that would take place and advised Councillors and the Clerk that they may be called to give evidence.

13. Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

Mr Harvey, on behalf of the Jubilee Celebrations Committee, attended the meeting and advised the meeting that a residue of money was left from the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations held in the summer. The Committee was considering installing a finger post sign adjacent to the Forge Car Park, or signs indicating that Trewoon Road used to be the original coach road route from Helston to Mullion. The Parish Council was asked to give their opinions on the suggestions.

The idea of a new finger post was supported in principal, although the siting of the new post would have to be agreed by the land owner. Mr Harvey gave an idea of the costs, which were above the budget held by the Jubilee Committee. He then asked the Parish Council if additional funding was available. The Amenity Money could possibly be spent on a project such as this, and the Clerk was asked to investigate. Mr Harvey was asked to provide further details to the Clerk, and the item would be put on the November agenda for further discussion once more information was available to Councillors.

14. Parish Calendar 2013

The Clerk had requested a quote from Martin Luck Group (Brewers) for producing the same style of calendar as was produced for 2012. It was thought that the price would remain the same as last year. The Clerk was instructed to advertise for submissions to the Parish Calendar as had happened in previous years.

15. LGA 1972 requests for funding

The Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal had written a letter to the Parish Council stating that the cost of a wreath for the Remembrance Service to be held in November would be £17.00. It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor D German and RESOLVED to donate £30.00 to the Poppy Appeal.

A grant funding request was made by YMCA Mullion to help fund music lessons that were given to youngsters in the village free of charge. Urgent funding was required to enable the project to run until the end of the year. It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor D Williams and RESOLVED to grant the sum of £150 to YMCA Mullion for their Music Project.

18. Finance and Accounts

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

19. Other correspondence received

The Clerk advised the meeting that the annual Remembrance Day Parade would be held on Sunday 11 November 2012. Muster at the Royal British Legion Hall at 2.30pm and parade to Mullion Methodist Church for a 3pm service and, afterwards, at the Cenotaph for a short service and wreath laying. A two minute silence and short service will also be held at the War Memorial on Sunday 11 November 2012 at 10.45am.

A Local Council Planning Forum meeting will be held on Thursday 15 November 2012 at 5.30pm at Pool Innovation Centre. Unfortunately the Clerk would be unable to attend due to election duties falling on that day. Councillors were asked to respond to the Clerk if they wished to attend.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.45pm.

Signed:
Chairman

Dated: