

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF POUNDSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 30 JUNE 2020

An Ordinary Meeting of Poundstock Parish Council was held via ZOOM video conferencing on Tuesday 30 June 2020 at 7.30 p.m.

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To note Councillors present:

The Chairman Stephen Pawley opened the meeting at 7:30pm with Councillors present: Alison Rowland, Brenda Alison, Paul Curtis, Brian Furse, Colin Gilbert and Pamela Idelson.

One member of the public was present for the meeting.

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Apologies for absence:

Apologies were received and accepted from: -

Cllr. Kerensa Cobbledick

Cllr. Fred Ward

Absent: -

Cllr. Alistair Rowland

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To receive Declaration of Interest and Dispensations:

- a) Items on the agenda – None.
- b) Gifts over £25.00 – None.
- c) Requests for dispensation – None.

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Public Participation - Matters raised by Members of the Public on an agenda item:

A member of the public thought it good the Council is meeting virtually and asked when the working groups meetings would resume, Cllr. Pawley advised questions put forward will be answered during the meeting.

Minutes of the previous meetings:

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 25 May 2020.

99/20 Proposed: Cllr. Colin Gilbert **Seconded:** Cllr. Pamela Idelson **Unanimous**

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 16 June 2020.

100/20 Proposed: Cllr. Paul Curtis **Seconded:** Cllr. Colin Gilbert **Unanimous**

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Agenda items:

a) Widemouth Bay Restrictred Parking Scheme:

Costing and projected over-spend for Poundstock Highway Scheme Widemouth Bay Restricted Parking Zone was discussed. Cornwall Cllr. Nicky Chopak recounted the public consultation and the process to date with final approval for the Restricted Parking Zone Scheme (*May – September*), negating the need for double yellow lines. It was duly noted details of the work involved was not provided. Work began on 25 June with the random erection of intrusive poles along both sides of Marine drive from the Beach House to Black Rock. Cllr. Chopak negotiated a pause in work to hold futher discussion as delivery of the scheme was not as anticipated. She emphasised if the work is stopped there will be no scheme in Widemouth and no further

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budget available for years. She suggested working with this scheme for the summer season with a review to negotiating amendments in the autumn.

RESOLVED to agree to continue with the scheme as given with a review in the autumn with proposals to make changes following the summer season.

102/20 Proposed: Cllr. Stephen Pawley **Seconded:** Cllr. Colin Gilbert **Unanimous**

RESOLVED to contribute to Cornwall Council the sum of £3,741.61 towards the overspend for the Widemouth Bay Restricted Parking Zone Scheme.

103/20 Proposed: Cllr. Brian Furse **Seconded:** Cllr. Colin Gilbert **Unanimous**

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b) Provision of Bus Stop at Coppathorne:

Cllr. Alison Rowland circulated a report for the request for a bus stop at Coppathorne. Cornwall Councillor Nicky Chopak spoke of the issues concerning the location of a bus stop and construction, she will pursue this matter with Cornwall Council Highways for further advice.

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c) Terms of Reference for Working Groups:

Draft policy circulated for further consideration at the next meeting, written comments were requested by the Chairman.

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d) Abusive, Vexatious & Persistent Complaints Policy:

Draft policy circulated for further consideration at the next meeting, written comments were requested by the Chairman.

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e) Churchyard – Maintenance and Repairs to Monuments:

Cllr. Brenda Alison circulated correspondence and photographs of an aged memorial requiring repair. It was agreed to arrange a meeting with the Parochial Church Council to view the memorial, consider any family connection and secure the site if necessary.

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Planning Applications: None.

Planning Decisions given by Cornwall Council: Appendix B

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Finance:

a) NOTED financial statement previously circulated.

RESOLVED to approve financial statement.

110/20 Proposed: Cllr. Brenda Alison **Seconded:** Cllr. Pamela Idelson **Unanimous**

b) Payment of outstanding accounts totalling £3,043.46 as per schedule.

RESOLVED

111/20 Proposed: Cllr. Colin Gilbert **Seconded:** Cllr. Brian Furse **Unanimous**

c) Grant Application for The Poundstock Packet.

RESOLVED to approve grant payment of £500.00.

112/20 Proposed: Cllr. Stephen Pawley **Seconded:** Cllr. Alison Rowland **Unanimous**

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Ward Member Report:

Cornwall Councillor Nicky Chopak reported Cornwall Council’s budget is £32 million pounds into its reserve meaning there will be cuts in front line services, it is unsure when money will be received back from government. Covid-19 figures are very low for the area and we want to keep it that way.

Cornwall Council is currently providing and paying for PPE equipment in the Care Homes. She has not heard of any issues in Poundstock, specifically with vulnerable people struggling with isolation, shopping etc, and urged everyone continue to keep a watchful eye. Cornwall Council elections are due to be held in 2021 although there is a debate on whether elections will be deferred. There is a new GoCornwall bus service travelling, timetable is available online.

A large quantity of sand has been removed from Widemouth Bay, Cornwall Council is aware and investigating further. In the car park the wording prohibiting overnight parking has been moved into a more prominent central position on the sign. Information signs for dogs on beaches are to be made larger. She has been informed that legislation does not allow AMPR cameras on Council owned car parks, only permitted on those privately owned.

Chairmans Report:

The toilets at Widemouth were finally opened two weeks later than hoped, he conveyed gratitude to Laura and Tom for making sure that they meet the regulations for public health and safety during the Covid-19 crisis. Work on the A39 speed restrictions at Bangors, and the parking restrictions in Widemouth should be starting soon as the siting for the new signs has already been marked out. The Parish has been asked to make a contribution as the parking restriction project came out over budget, but the amount has not yet been determined. After a wobbly start the virtual planning meeting proved to be a success, and we should consider making this a regular practice. The mid-month slot would enable responses to planning applications within the Cornwall Council time frame without having to ask for extensions or call Extra-ordinary meetings. He thought it would be helpful if councillors were to take a more active part in the discussions. The virtual Bude Area Network meeting held earlier this month gave an opportunity to catch up with safe guarding measures in neighbouring parishes and highlighted the need to firm up Emergency Procedures Plan, he asked for somebody to consider taking on this responsibility. Finally he thanked everyone who has worked so hard to keep the beaches, toilets, footpaths and open spaces clean and safe. He emphasised the need to stay alert coming out of lockdown to ensure that all the rules and guidelines are followed so that we can all continue to enjoy the wider freedom we have in our surroundings.

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Correspondence:

a) Temporary 12-month renewal of existing dog control Public Spaces Protection Orders which will expire in October 2020, to be considered at the next meeting. (Deadline 21 August 2020)

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Reports from Council Representative: None.

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Portfolio Reports:

a) PROW – Lead Member Cllr. Alison Rowland advised the footpath sign at Bridwell Point has been replaced.

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Working/Steering Group Report:

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a) Community Hall Working Group, meeting to be arranged in July.

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Notification of Next Meeting: Ordinary Meeting 28 July 2020. Extra-Ordinary Meeting if required for Planning.

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Suggested items for the agenda:

Review of Complaints Document; Budget Review.

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Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960: None.

Meeting Closed 20:42.