

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF POUNDSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2021

An Ordinary Meeting of Poundstock Parish Council was held via ZOOM video conferencing on Tuesday 23 February 2021 at 7.30 p.m.

1. To note Councillors present:

The Chairman Cllr Steve Pawley opened the meeting at 7:30pm with Councillors present: Alison Rowland Brenda Alison, Brian Furse, Pamela Idelson, Rev'd. Ben Lillie and Cllr. Robbie Pearce. **034/21**

In attendance: County Councillor Nicky Chopak, Clerk Mrs. Lynn Pluess and 9 members of the public.

2. Apologies for absence:

Cllr. Kerensa Cobbledick – Family commitments.

Cllr. Paul Curtis – Urgent personal matter.

Cllr. Colin Gilbert – Personal matter.

RESOLVED to approve apologies and reason given. **035/21**

Proposed: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Seconded: Cllr. Alison Rowland Unanimous

3. To receive Declaration of Interest and Dispensations: **036/20**

a) Items on the agenda: - Cllr. Alison Rowland PA21/00315 and PA21/00930.

b) Gifts over £25.00 – None.

c) Requests for dispensation – None.

4. Public Participation - Matters raised by Members of the Public on an agenda item: **037/21**

A member of the public spoke with concerns about the closure of Bangors Church and Hall.

5. Minutes of the previous meetings:

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 January 2021.

Proposed: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Seconded: Cllr. Robbie Pearce Unanimous **038/21**

6. Planning Applications:

** Cllr. Alison Rowland left the meeting for the following two planning applications.*

PA21/00315 Poundstock (Poundstock Electoral Division) Land South Of 3 Swelle Cottages Poundstock Bude Cornwall EX23 0DW Extension and Conversion of Garage into Self Contained Holiday Let - Mr And Mrs Faulkner - PA21/00315 (Case Officer - Lorraine Lehan).

Following discussion, the Council **RESOLVED** to OBJECT with the following comments; insufficient detail on the plans regarding the services; sewage discharge inadequate to support an additional dwelling; questions about contamination; flooding on the site.

Proposed: Cllr. Robbie Pearce Seconded: Cllr. Brian Furse Unanimous **039/21**

PA21/00930 Poundstock (Poundstock Electoral Division) Coppathorne Poundstock Bude EX23 0DD - Conversion of ground floor garage space to studio holiday let – Mr H Smith And Ms A Rowland PA21/00930 (Case Officer Richard White).

Following discussion, the Council **RESOLVED** to OBJECT with the following comments; insufficient details on the application regarding sewage disposal for additional holiday let/dwelling on the site.

Proposed: Cllr. Brenda Alison Seconded: Cllr. Brian Furse Unanimous **040/21**

Chairman's Signature.....

Dated.....

*** Cllr. Alison Rowland returned the meeting for the following two planning applications.*

PA21/00358 Poundstock (Poundstock Electoral Division) Woolstone Mill Poundstock Bude EX23 ONB
Construction of extension to form garden room - Mr And Mrs N And J Coston - PA21/00358 (Case Officer -
Lorraine Lehan).

Following discussion, the Council **RESOLVED** to SUPPORT.

Proposed: Cllr. Steve Pawley Seconded: Cllr. Brenda Alison Unanimous **041/21**

PA21/00845 Poundstock (Poundstock Electoral Division) Land East Of Rubers Coombe, Combe Lane
Widemouth Bay Bude EX23 – Construction of a new dwelling house – Mr And Mrs Snell – PA21/00845 (Case
Officer – Sarah Stevens).

Following discussion, the Council **RESOLVED** to OBJECT with the following comments; concerns about
surface/storm water and the viability of the current sewage system to sustain an additional dwelling and
suggest a flood risk assessment is carried out; considered to be of an inappropriate scale, height and mass
with neighbouring properties.

Proposed: Cllr. Steve Pawley Seconded: Cllr. Brenda Alison Unanimous **042/21**
(Cllr. Rev'd. Ben Lillie abs)

PA21/00956 Poundstock (Poundstock Electoral Division) 1 Bramble Close Widemouth Bay Bude EX23 OPJ –
Single storey extension to the front and a two storey extension to the side. Raising of the roof to provide
additional accommodation at first floor level and increase in size of balcony – Mr And Mrs Gray PA21/00956
(Case Officer Fiona Catlin).

Following discussion, the Council **RESOLVED** to SUPPORT with the following comments; concerns about the
viability of increased development under the current drainage/sewage system.

Proposed: Cllr. Rev'd. Ben Lillie Seconded: Cllr. Robbie Pearce (7-1) **043/21**
(Cllr. Brenda Alison against)

PA21/01042 Poundstock (Poundstock Electoral Division) Surf House Madeira Drive Widemouth Bay Bude
Cornwall EX23 OAJ Proposed extension and remodelling with room in roof space - Mr John Pearson -
PA21/01042 (Case Officer - Fiona Catlin).

Following discussion, the Council **RESOLVED** to SUPPORT.

Proposed: Cllr. Alison Rowland Seconded: Cllr. Robbie Pearce (6-0) **044/21**
(Cllr. Pamela Idelson abs)

Planning Decisions/Appeals given by Cornwall Council: Appendix B - NOTED **045/21**

7. Finance:

a) Income and Bank Balances as per schedule.

NOTED as above. **046/21**

b) Bank Reconciliation.

NOTED (a-b) as above. **047/21**

RESOLVED to approve the financial statement.

Proposed: Cllr. Rev'd. Ben Lillie Seconded: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Unanimous **048/21**

Chairman's Signature.....

Dated.....

c) Approve payments of January totalling £1,297.23.

RESOLVED to approve payments as scheduled.

Proposed: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Seconded: Cllr. Brenda Alison Unanimous **049/21**

8. Agenda items:

a) Public Toilets Widemouth Bay Draft Lease – Agreed to defer to the last item on the agenda.

b) Sea-Changers Coastal Fountain Fund 2021 – **RESOLVED** to make an application for funding.

Proposed: Cllr. Rev'd. Ben Lillie Seconded: Cllr. Robbie Pearce Unanimous **050/21**

c) Model Councillor Code of Conduct 2020 – Item deferred until receipt of the revised Cornwall Code of Conduct with associated guidance endorsed by the Cornwall Association of Local Councils. **051/21**

d) Civil Enforcement Training – Cornwall Cllr. Nicky Chopak advised training could be undertaken by volunteers to assist with dogs on beaches, fly tipping, poor parking etc, and Cornwall Council can arrange training for those interested. There is a cost of £100 per person as any reports of breaches issued have a legal implication for the Council and they have to ensure that volunteers have the proper training.

052/21

e) Salt Bins – Request for Salt Bins on the sharp bends in Millook were considered. **RESOLVED** to purchase two Salt Bins subject to Cornwall Council's approval of the locations.

Proposed: Cllr. Brenda Idelson Seconded: Cllr. Steve Pawley (6-0) **053/21**
(Cllr. Pamela Idelson abs)

f) Cemetery Bench – Siting of a fourth bench in the cemetery was discussed and **RESOLVED** to approve subject to conditions to be reviewed by Cllr. Brenda Alison and Cllr. Revd Ben Lillie.

Proposed: Cllr. Steve Pawley Seconded: Cllr. Brenda Alison (7-0) **054/21**

g) Clerk's Training Events – **RESOLVED** to pay for CALC Clerk's Training Events namely Year-end Accounts and Audit £30.00 plus vat; Internal Controls £30.00 plus vat.

Proposed: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Seconded: Cllr. Brian Furse. Unanimous **055/20**

9. Reports:

a) Ward Member Report Cllr. Nicky Chopak:

Cllr. Nicky Chopak spoke on the release of lock-down and the need to remain Covid-19 aware. Vaccinations are progressing swiftly, many in Holsworthy, Royal Cornwall Showground in Wadebridge and Liskeard; good reports are being received from all locations. Covid-19 Business Grants have been received across the county. If an essential business chooses to remain closed during lockdown it would then not be eligible for the grant, she asked if anyone has any concerns please contact her.

Cornwall Council today approved a 4.99% increase in the council tax, 3% towards Adult Social Care. Cornwall Council is £9 million down due to lockdown payments as yet to be received from the Government. More council tax subsidies will be available this coming financial year to support anyone struggling with council tax.

The Cornwall Council Elections will take place on Thursday 6 May 2021 along with Town and Parish Council Elections. **Nomination** papers available from 22 March 2021 and will need to be returned by 8 April

Chairman's Signature.....

Dated.....

2021. Cllr. Chopak offered to deliver multiple papers from both Marhamchurch and Poundstock. Please let her know. Leaflet drops are not permitted but can be delivered via Royal Mail.

The double yellow lines in Widemouth Bay have been fully installed and the infamous posts removed. Although illegal parking is now enforceable there are still problems with parking on the verge at Black Rock. Suggestions put forward to resolve this issue were big rocks; picket fence; bollards; and signage to encourage photographic evidence to be forwarded to an enforcement officer for prosecution; Cllr. Chopak will feed back the suggestions.

A virtual meeting of Bude Area Community Network Meeting will be held on 1 March 2020 7-9pm, when the overnight service of Stratton MIU is to be reviewed. **056/21**

b) Chairman's Report: Previously circulated. **057/21**

c) Clerk's Report: Previously circulated. **058/21**

10. Correspondence: None. **059/21**

11. Reports from Council Representatives: None. **060/21**

12. Portfolio Reports:

a) PROW – PROW 19 Reported that the footpath has been blocked by a fence, Cllr. Alison Rowland to report. **061/21**

b) Cemetery – The contractor has erected safety netting around the memorial prior to commencement of works, weather dependant. The footpath gate to the west of the churchyard is nearing completion; cheque payment made for materials of £293.78 remains uncleared. The original gate is to be removed and the hinges and latch reused on the new gate. There is to be an additional cost of £30 to treat the new gate, and the Parochial Church Council has been advised. Application and receipt for an EROB is being followed-up. **062/21**

13. Working/Steering Group Report:

RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders for NDP Chairman Matthew Blows to speak to the Council.

Proposed: Cllr. Steve Pawley Seconded: Cllr. Brenda Alison Unanimous **063/20**

a) NDP Steering Group – The NDP Chairman Matthew Blows delivered a detailed structured report on the current status with funding requests from Steering Group, funding as follows:- Survey Monkey Basic Monthly Subscription of £25.00 (payable in advance); 4 x Encrypted USB's; 2 x USB Adaptors. Detailed electoral Roll and Housing Needs Survey to be considered at the next meeting.

RESOLVED to approve the above expenditure.

Proposed: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Seconded: Cllr. Robbie Pearce Unanimous **064/20**

RESOLVED to appoint Cllr. Robbie Pearce as Council's representative on the NDP Steering Group.

Proposed: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Seconded: Cllr. Rev'd. Ben Lillie Unanimous **065/20**

* Standing Orders were reinstated.

b) Parish Hall Working Group – No report. **066/21**

Chairman's Signature.....

Dated.....

14. Items for Information:

Update on the Definitive Map Modification Order for Wanson, reported at the January meeting the application is with Cornwall Council, expected to be validated later this week or early next.

The Application for the Community Right to Bid in relation to Bangors Methodist Chapel was submitted on 3 February 2021. Update today confirmed the application has been received, clarification on the footprint of the building and boundary has been given. An explanation that the building was in constant use by named various groups until COVID-19 prevented social interactions. Expected timescale 8 weeks.

The new website is under construction, taking this opportunity to update the information on the various services with associated forms, policies and general information, for example public rights of ways and footpath maps. 067/21

15. Notification of Next Meeting:

Ordinary Meeting 30 March 2021. 068/21

16. Suggested items for the agenda:

Draft Lease Public Toilets; Standing Orders; CiL Payments. 069/21

Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential or specific nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable that the press and public be excluded and instructed to withdraw during the discussion for the following item.

Proposed: Cllr. Brenda Alison Seconded: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Unanimous 070/21

RESOLVED to include Cornwall Councillor Nicky Chopack during the discussion on the following item.

Proposed: Cllr. Rev'd. Ben Lillie Seconded: Cllr. Steve Pawley (4-0) 071/21

(Cllrs. Robbie Pearce, Pamela Idelson and Brenda Alison abs)

Agenda item 8(a): Public Toilets Widemouth Bay Draft Lease:

Following lengthy discussion and in consideration of legal advice it was **RESOLVED** to make a formal request to Cornwall Council to extend the Tenancy at Will for 12 months with a view to purchase; set up a Working Group with interested parties tasked to investigate all possibilities and provide direct feedback, Cllr. Robbie Pearce, Cllr. Rev'd Ben Lillie and Cllr. Pamela Idelson volunteered to join the Working Group.

Proposed: Cllr. Alison Rowland Seconded: Cllr. Pamela Idelson Unanimous 072/21

17. Close the Meeting:

The Chairman Closed the Meeting at: 21:52. 073/21