

## MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING OF POUNDSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 26 APRIL 2022

An Ordinary Meeting of Poundstock Parish Council was held on Tuesday 26 April 2022 at 7.00 p.m. in The Gildhouse with Cllrs. Robert Gavin (Chair), Tom O'Sullivan (Vice-chair), Stephen Blake, Max Faulkner, Brian Furse, Eric Harris, Steve Haynes, Pamela Idelson, Revd. Ben Lillie, Gemma Watton and the Clerk were present.

Public Present: 7

1. To receive apologies for absence: **127/22**  
None.
2. To receive Declaration of Interest and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) and any Other Significant Interest (OSI). **128/22**  
(a) Relating to any items appearing on the agenda – None received.  
(b) Gifts over £50.00 – None received.
3. Council to consider requests for dispensations from Members concerning items on the agenda.  
None received. **129/22**
4. Public Participation - Matters raised by Members of the Public on an agenda item: **130/22**  
Scouts Cornwall Bude Troop spoke of the 25<sup>th</sup> World Scout Jamboree in South Korea, August 2023.
5. To resolve that the Minutes of previous Full Council Meeting are an accurate record: **131/22**  
a) **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Ordinary Full Council meeting were an accurate record and signed by the Chair.
- b) Minutes Community Hall Committee **132/22**  
**NOTED** the draft minutes of the meeting held on 12 April 2022.
- c) To consider and agree recommendations of the Community Hall Committee to review Cornwall Council's recommendations regarding pre-application advice and resolve a course of action with any associated expenditure.  
Community Hall Committee to investigate further. **133/22**
6. Correspondence NOTED from the following: - **134/22**  
a) The Rural Bulletin.
7. Planning Applications:
- a) Planning Applications to discuss and make a consultee comment on the following applications: -  
PA22/02062 Poundstock (Poundstock Electoral Division) Rose Carrock Long Park Drive Widemouth Bay Bude Cornwall EX23 0AN non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA20/04128 dated 06/08/2020 - Addition to the area of first floor balcony and minor adjustments to roof pitch and eaves level - PA22/02062 (Case Officer - Lorraine Lehan).  
**RESOLVED** No Objections. **135/22**

b) Planning decisions available at <https://www.poundstock-pc.gov.uk/planning-applications> **136/22**

8. Finance:

a) Note Bank Balances and Bank Reconciliation as per schedule were accepted. **137/22**

**RESOLVED** to agree.

b) To authorise payments.

**RESOLVED** that the payments be approved. **138/22**

c) NDP End of Grant Report 2022. **139/22**

**RESOLVED** to accept the detailed report of NDP 2021/22 Expenditure and to return unspent grant totaling £3,871.94 to Groundwork UK.

9. Agenda items:

a) Update with regards to the sewage/drainage capacity in Widemouth Bay. **140/22**

An article is to be placed in the next edition of Poundstock Packet asking residents for supporting evidence of the problem (Cllr. Gemma Watton).

b) Bude Community Network Panel Recommendations for the Community Network Highways Scheme.

Recommendations ref: Bude 17 - Bangors Green Road Safety to be reviewed in two years. Ref: Bude 18 – Treskinnick Cross to Box's Shop Cycle Lane Provision to be reviewed in two years. **141/22**

c) To consider Abusive, Persistent and Vexatious Complaints Policy. **142/22**

**RESOLVED** Councillors Robert Gavin, Tom O'Sullivan, Stephen Blake and Steve Haynes review the policy to be considered at the next meeting.

d) To approve purchase and installation of new toilet roll holders. **143/22**

**RESOLVED** to approve purchase and installation of toilet roll holders at a cost of £438.00 (1 abs).

e) The Parish Council fully supports the Community Hall Committee's objectives to work up appropriate plans for a proposal to establish a Community Hall with credible community engagement being undertaken before any proposal is given final approval (Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan).

**RESOLVED** to agree as written above.

A recorded vote was requested.

Proposed: Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan                      Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      Unanimous                      **144/22**

f) To consider the future of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group in the light of its non-compliance with the Terms of Reference set by the Parish Council (Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan). **145/22**

Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan questioned whether the NDP should continue, a conversation ensued but no motion was put forward. The Chairman then thanked the NDP Steering Group for all their hard work.

g) To discuss the situation with regards to Child Poverty in the area (Cllr. Steve Haynes). **146/22**

This Council notes that we represent people in an area where Child Poverty is the third highest in Cornwall (24.1%) and that this being exacerbated by the current cost of living crisis. This Council agrees that one way

to combat this situation is to ensure that all children in our area of Cornwall have at least one decent meal a day.

This Council will:

1. Raise this issue at the next Community Network Panel and propose that all members of the panel pursue with urgency (given the immediacy of this year's summer holidays) a coordinated solution to providing meals during school holiday time to children affected by this issue in the identified 'Poundstock, Kilkhampton, Whitstone area.
2. Request our Divisional Representative to discover what HAF funds or other monies are available through Cornwall Council to support such a local initiative.
3. Commit to urgently work with our Local Town and Parish Councils, Cornwall Council, Local Food Banks, Local Secondary School and Primary Schools and Faith Communities towards an agreed joint provision of meals to affected children during school holiday time.

**RESOLVED** that the Council fully support the motion as written.

Further **RESOLVED** that Cllr. Steve Haynes follow-up direct with the Community Network Panel and Town and Parish Councils in accordance with SO 16(b).

h) To review Clerks remuneration.

**147/22**

Agenda item 9(h) moved to the end of the meeting.

10. Reports:

a) Ward Member Report:

**148/22**

One of the conversations held at the recent full Council meeting was the potential for a mayor for Cornwall and will be discussed further at the November meeting, she welcomes any comments.

b) Chairman's Report:

**149/22**

No report.

c) Clerk's Report:

**150/22**

No report.

11. Steering/Working Group Reports:

a) Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group.

**151/22**

NDP Chair Matthew Blows spoke on the success of the public engagement event held recently where he delivered a presentation paving the way for the next steps, this will be available on the website. A further public consultation event is to be held in June/July if possible and will consult on a number of things.

**RESOLVED** the NDP proceed with the grant application.

**RESOLVED** the Council renew the subscription to Survey Monkey at a cost of £384.00.

12. Portfolio Reports written reports received were circulated and **NOTED.**

**152/22**

- Cemetery & Closed Churchyard - Cllr. Eric Harris surveyed the trees with the contractor in the closed churchyard, a quote to be considered the next meeting. It was noted the planting of shrubs and placing of ornaments on the graves in the cemetery are a concern when trimming the area. The terms and conditions of the cemetery were referenced.
- Finance – Cllr. Stephen Blake continues to monitor finance and thanked the clerk.

- Highways & Transport – Various pot holes have been reported to highways by Cllr. Brian Furse.
- Planning – A 5-day protocol was received relating to PA21/04301 supported option 3. Cllr. Chopak asked for clarification on the material considerations raised, Cllr. Tom O’Sullivan offered to address this matter.

21:38 Cllr. Steve Haynes left the meeting.

- Police Advocate – None received.
- PROW’s – None received.
- Widemouth Bay Toilets, Car Park and Beach – None received.

13. Councils Representatives reports from Outside Bodies: **153/22**  
None received.

14. Items for Information: **154/22**  
None received.

15. Items for next Agenda: **155/22**  
None received.

16. Notification of the next Ordinary Council Meeting: **156/22**  
Community Hall Committee Meeting 10 May 2022.  
Annual Parish Council Meeting 31 May 2022.

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) Act 1960

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business to be discussed, the public are excluded and instructed to withdraw for the following agenda item 9(h).

9(h) To review Clerk’s remuneration.

**RESOLVED** to increase Clerks wage to £817.78 pcm as from 01 April 2022.

Proposed Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      Unanimous                      **157/22**

**RESOLVED** to pay the Clerk £26.00 pcm for use of home office.

Proposed Cllr. Stephen Blake                      Seconded: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Unanimous                      **158/22**

**RESOLVED** to make a payment to the Clerk in lieu of interest of £250.00.

Proposed Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      Unanimous                      **159/22**

**RESOLVED** to make a payment of £2,451.68 for wage arrears from 2018 to 2022.

Proposed Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      Unanimous                      **160/22**

17. Meeting Closed 22:02 **161/22**