

MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING POUNDSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2023

An Ordinary meeting of Poundstock Parish Council was held on Thursday 23 February 2023 at 7.00 p.m. in The Gildhouse with Cllrs. Stephen Blake, Michelle Carter, Max Faulkner, Pamela Idelson, Tom O’Sullivan and the Clerk present.

1. To receive apologies for absence:

RESOLVED apologies received from Cllrs. Eric Harris and Steve Haynes be accepted. **043/23**

2. To receive Declaration of Interest and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) and any Other Significant Interest (OSI).

044/23

(a) Relating to any items appearing on the agenda: -

PA22/11476 – Cllrs. Stephen Blake, Michelle Carter, Max Faulkner, Pamela Idelson and Tom O’Sullivan.

(b) Gifts over £50.00 – None received.

3. Council to consider requests for dispensations from Members concerning items on the agenda.

RESOLVED to **APPROVE** dispensation requests in relation to PA22/11476 from Cllrs. Stephen Blake, Michelle Carter, Max Faulkner, Pamela Idelson and Tom O’Sullivan.

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

046/23

Members of the public spoke on route amendments to public rights of way at Higher Penhalt.

PROW Portfolio Holder Cllr. Pamela Idelson explained this matter has been ongoing for several years prior to the work being carried out.

Ian Mason spoke to introduce a new organization for which he is the chairman called North Kernow Community Land Trust Ltd. This is a charitable community benefit society which was formed specifically to provide affordable rented homes for people with a local connection.

A member of the public asked about the wall clock presented to Poundstock Parish Hall by the family of E.R.A. Horace Wesley Ferrett R.N. who gave his life for his country 26th May 1940. Cllr. Tom O’Sullivan advised the clock has been removed from the hall and is in the care of the Clerk.

5. Presentation by ‘Making Space for Sand’ Project Lead Jolyon Sharpe

Project Lead Jolyon Sharpe spoke of Cornwall’s Coastal Innovation Resilience funded through the EA/Defra Flood and Coastal Resilience Innovation Programme. The purpose is to make Cornwall’s sand beach dune systems sustainable by ‘Making Space for Sand’ and is being run by Cornwall Council, in partnership with the University of Plymouth, Plymouth Coastal Observatory, Cornwall Wildlife Trust, the Environment Agency and Natural England. Widemouth Bay is one of the 40 sandy beach dune locations around the Cornish coastline which has been identified as having sustainability issues and will be subject to ‘state of the dunes’ assessments before benefiting from further modelling, monitoring, management, and adaptation planning, all the time working closely with communities to decide what actions need to be take. A dedicated online portal for the project ‘Lets Talk Cornwall’ website will allow you to follow the project’s progress, access information and register to take part in discussions <https://www.makingspaceforsand.uk/>

6. To resolve that the Minutes of previous Full Council Meeting are an accurate record:

(a) **RESOLVED** Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26th January 2023 were an accurate record and signed by the Chair (4-1). **047/23**

RESOLVED Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 2nd February 2023 were an accurate record and signed by the Chair (2 abs). **048/23**

(b) Minutes of the Community Hall Committee held on 9th February 2023 were **NOTED**. **049/23**

(c) To receive any recommendations from Community Hall Committee – CHC Chair Tom O’Sullivan spoke of the letter proposed to be sent to the Methodist Circuit, it was agreed the letter to be sent by the Chair of the Council. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to suspend meetings of the Community Hall Committee until there is something substantial to discuss. **050/23**

7. Correspondence to discuss and resolve a course of action: **NOTED**. **051/23**

8. Planning Matters:

a) Planning Applications to discuss and make a consultee comment on the following applications: -

PA22/11476 Outline Planning Permission with all matters reserved to demolish structurally condemned Old Parish Hall and replace with up to two residential dwellings, Old Parish Hall, Poundstock, Bude, Cornwall. Following discussions, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to **SUPPORT**. **052/23**

PA23/00742 Certificate of Lawfulness for use of the yard as identified on Plan 1 for the storage of building materials, machinery and equipment and the siting of storage containers thereon for similar purpose at Meads Farm, Poundstock, Bude, Cornwall.

Following discussions, it was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** on the grounds that this application should be subject to a full planning application. **053/23**

PA23/01043 Construction of Orangery at Dolphin House, Poundstock, Bude, Cornwall **RESOLVED** to make **NO OBJECTIONS**. **054/23**

(b) Planning – Response to Government Consultation on Planning Changes 2023 – No comment. **055/23**

9. Finance to discuss and resolve a course of action with associated expenditure:

(a) To note balances as at 23rd February 2023 – **NOTED**. **056/23**

(b) To resolve to approve payment of outstanding accounts and note income as per schedule: - **RESOLVED** make the payments to include accounts presented by the date of the meeting totalling £6,185.66 (1abs) **057/23**

10. Agenda items to discuss and resolve a course of action and associated expenditure:

(a) Widemouth Bay Toilets Update – It was noted the lights remain on throughout the night. Cllr. Tom O’Sullivan put forward terms of reference for the Public Toilet Working Group. Following discussions, it was **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT** the Public Toilets Working Group Terms of Reference. **058/23**

RESOLVED Cllr. Tom O’Sullivan is the Lead Councillor of the Public Toilet Working Group. **059/23**

RESOLVED that Cllr. Tom O’Sullivan responds to recent correspondence. **060/23**

Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** for the Chair with the Clerk to investigate new Solicitors for the Council. **061/23**

(b) Removal of trees adjacent to the Gildhouse – Deferred to the next meeting. **062/23**

(c) Minor Boundary Changes – No action.

(d) Review of Community Hall Committee Terms of Reference – Deferred.

11. To receive written reports and authorise any action: - **063/23**
- (a) Poundstock Ward Member's Report – Cllr Chopak attended a full Council on Tuesday 21 February 2023. There is to be a rise in Council Tax of 4.99% of which 2% is for Adult Social Care. Cornwall Council is expecting £25 million in Council Tax from second home owners, current legislation prevents allocation of funds specifically to affordable housing. A Mayor for Cornwall is due to be discussed at the April meeting. Dogs on Beaches Consultation proposed as a rollover 15 May to 30 September. The last meeting on the Bude Community Network Panel will be on 6 March 2023 it will then become the new Community Area Partnerships (CAPs) rising from 11 to 29 parishes in its care. Cllr. Chopak has delivered the Poundstock Jubilee Tree to the care of Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan.
- (b) Chair's Report – No report.
- (c) Clerk's Report – Clerk advised tenders for the PROW/SWCP LMP Maintenance 2023; Widemouth Bay Public Toilets – Summer Cleaning; and Churchyard/Cemetery Maintenance 2023 are to be considered at the next meeting.
12. NDP Steering Group to receive reports and authorise any action and expenditure: - **064/23**
- NDP Chair Matthew Blows sent his apologies for not being able to attend the meeting, Cllr. Stephen Blake gave the report. The Mission and Objective Statements have been published in the Poundstock Packet, awaiting feedback which will be published in the next issue of the Packet. A productive meeting was held with John Slater the NDP Consultant on the next stages of the NDP and there will be a Public Event scheduled for the Spring.
13. Councils Representatives to receive reports from Outside Bodies: - None received. **065/23**
14. Portfolio Reports to receive written reports and authorise any action and expenditure: - **066/23**
- PROW** – Cllr. Idelson reported the fallen tree in the woodland and repairs required to the footbridge In Millook have been carried out.
- Churchyard** – Cllr. Harris to liaise with the Clerk for more quotes on the removal of the trees in the Churchyard.
15. Items for Information: - **067/23**
- (a) Ian Mason spoke to introduce a new organization for which he is the chairman called North Kernow Community Land Trust Ltd. This is a charitable community benefit society which was formed specifically, to provide affordable rented homes for people with a local connection.
16. Notification of meeting and suggested items for the agenda: - 30th March 2023. Contents of marketing arrangements of the Old Parish Hall. **068/23**
17. Casual Vacancies – To be considered at the next meeting. **069/23**
18. 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 – None. **070/23**
19. Close the Meeting - The Chair closed the meeting at 21:57. **071/23**

Appendix A: SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS MADE

EXPENDITURE

Gildhouse Management Committee	Hall Hire (EOM 29/12 - 201352)	£30.00
Gildhouse Management Committee	Hall Hire (FC Jan/Feb/Mar 201353)	£90.00
Gildhouse Management Committee	Hall Hire (EOM 02/02 201355)	£30.00
Cornwall Environment Consultants	NDP Invoice 10428	£413.28
Drainology Ltd	Invoice 368285	£1,356.00
South West Water	Conveniences – Widemouth Bay	£1,246.55
British Gas Business	Car Park Widemouth Bay	£122.19
EDF Energy	Parish Hall Supply T28843607040	£26.02
EDF Energy	Parish Hall Supply T28843607041	£21.16
Kivells Limited	Invoice 14330 (Site Valuations)	£180.00
Planning Portal	PP11962555	£494.20
Planning Portal	PP11873123	£494.20
T.J. Davies	Cleaning 01/31-03/2023	£702.00
Clerk Expenses	Outline Planning Maps	£85.00
Staff Costs	Mth 11	£878.44
HMRC/PAYE	Mth 11	£16.62
TOTAL EXPENDITURE 26/01/2023		£6,185.66

RECEIPTS

HMRC	VAT Return 2021/22	£1,297.70
Arthur W. Bryant Funeral Services	Memorial Application	£120.00
TOTAL INCOME 23/02/2023		£1,417.70