

## MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING OF POUNDSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2021

An Ordinary Meeting of Poundstock Parish Council was held on Tuesday 30 November 2021 at 7.00 p.m. in Bangors Hall with Cllrs. Robert Gavin, Tom O'Sullivan, Stephen Blake, Brian Furse, Revd Ben Lillie and Gemma Watton present.

### 1. Apologies for absence:

Cllr. Pamela Idelson – Pre-arranged absence.

Cllr. Robbie Pearce – Pre-arranged absence.

Apologies with reasons given were accepted.

**RESOLVED** to approve apologies and reason given.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Secoded: Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan                      Unanimous                      **434/21**

### 2. Declaration of Interest:

a) Items on the agenda: - None received. **435/21**

3. Dispensations: None received. **436/21**

4. Public Participation - Matters raised by Members of the Public on an agenda item: **437/21**

A member of the public spoke PA21/10117.

A member of the public asked the number of elected Councillors currently serving on the Council.

Chairman Simon Beasley Chairman accompanied by Vice-Chairman Alan Whittle attended the meeting and gave an update on the current work being carried out by the Bude Community Network Panel.

### 5. Minutes of previous Council Meeting:

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 26 October 2021.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the above Council meeting with the amendment Cllr. Brian Furse was not present were approved.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Secoded: Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan                      Unanimous                      **438/21**

Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting held on 18 November 2021.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council meeting above, previously circulated taken as read were approved.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Secoded: Cllr. Gemma Watton                      Unanimous                      **439/21**

### 7. Planning Applications:

a) Planning Applications to discuss and make a consultee comment on the following applications: -  
PA21/08499 – Highfield access to Higher Causewell, Poundstock, Bude EX23 0DW - Alterations and extension to existing two storey dwelling – PA21/08499.

Following discussion, the Council **RESOLVED** to make no comment, however the Parish Council notes and shares the concerns raised by the Ramblers Association.

Proposed: Cllr. Gemma Watton                      Secoded: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      unanimous                      **440/21**

PA21/10533 Neets Valley Penfound Road Poundstock Bude EX23 0DZ - Proposed siting of a Shepherd's hut holiday accommodation unit - PA21/10533.

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

Proposed: Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan

Seconded: Cllr. Revd. Ben Lillie

unanimous **441/21**

PA21/11233 The Cottage Leverlake Road Widemouth Bay Bude EX23 0AF Reserved matters application for a new dwelling house and garage at Plot 4 (details following outline consent PA21/03047 dated 27.07.2021) - PA21/11233.

Following discussions, it was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** for the following reasons: -

The Parish Council does not believe that Conditions 1, 3 and 6 have been complied with.

No evidence that the applicant has liaised with SWW as this will have an impact on the layout of the four dwellings.

Insufficient information provided by the applicant to be able to assess overlooking, overshadowing and overbearing concerns including the potential loss of outlook to the detriment of neighbouring residential amenity and privacy issues.

The Parish Council has concerns that it is overdevelopment of the site, in terms of layout and scale.

No elevation plans have been submitted to be able to assess this against neighbouring buildings.

No provision for rubbish and recycling.

This is part of a four dwelling development that will significantly impact on the area and it needs to be considered and assessed as one development. As such we feel that any application for the development of any of the four plots should be accompanied by a detailed 'Design and Access Statement' clearly setting out the reserved matters for all four plots and in particular:

- Layout - privacy and overlooking issues;
- Scale and massing including elevations;
- Appearance;
- Landscaping;
- Drainage - both surface and foul;
- Topography;
- Separation distances - not only between neighbouring dwellings but also as between plots 1-4;
- Indicative 3D images would be helpful;
- Amenity space concerns.

Proposed: Cllr. Gemma Watton

Seconded: Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan

Unanimous **442/21**

PA21/10117 Land at Woolstone Manor Farm Poundstock Bide EX23 0NB Temporary change of use of agricultural land to create seasonal outdoor leisure attraction operating from May half term through to the end of the summer holidays on an annual basis to accommodate a temporary 'Slip and Slide' attraction on site – PA21/10117.

Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** for the following reasons: -

Highway safety issues at access way. Specifically, concern surrounding the access way being both entrance and exit. Visibility concerns which we do not feel have been addressed by moving the access way. Concerns are also raised regarding increased traffic at Box's Shop crossroads.

The Ecology Report is out of date as a result of moving the access way and the need to now remove hedges. A new Ecology Report needs to be submitted.

Proposed: Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan

Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake

(4-2) **443/21**

b) Planning decisions available at <https://www.poundstock-pc.gov.uk/planning-applications> **444/21**

## 8. Finance:

a) Bank Balances and Bank Reconciliation as per schedule were accepted.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin

Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake

unanimous **445/21**

b) **RESOLVED** that the payments totalling £4,677.90 to include late payments as per schedule be made.  
**NOTED** advice was given by NALC/CALC on this matter.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      unanimous                      **446/21**

c) **RESOLVED** to agree the 2022/2023 Budget.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      unanimous                      **447/21**

**RESOLVED** to set the precept for 2022/23 at £35,000.00

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      unanimous                      **448/21**

#### 9. Agenda items:

a) Defibrillator – Arrange a place and date for public training in the use of a defibrillator (4 hours approx.) - Pending.

b) To review resolution 397/21 ‘to submit outline planning application to Cornwall Council to demolish the Old Parish Hall and to replace with a similar structure’ in light of the information received from Cornwall Council.

**RESOLVED** Cllr. Gemma Watton writes to the Bazeley Partnership for general advice.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Gemma Watton                      (5-1)                      **449/21**

c) To approve the registration of street names at Meadowlands Court.

**RESOLVED** to accept the Street Names as given.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Tom O’Sullivan                      unanimous                      **450/21**

d) To discuss and the current situation with regard to the sewage/drainage capacity in Widemouth Bay and the impact on future planning applications/decisions (Cllr. Gemma Watton).

**RESOLVED** Cllr. Gemma Watton to write to South West Water on this matter.

Proposed: Cllr. Gemma Watton                      Seconded: Cllr. Tom O’Sullivan                      unanimous                      **451/21**

e) To consider a request for EROB from Denise Wellington.

**RESOLVED** to approve the request for an EROB as a parishioner.

Proposed: Cllr. Revd Ben Lillie                      Seconded: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      unanimous                      **452/21**

f) To consider the use of Election Poll Cards in the event of a contested election, estimated cost £850.00.

**RESOLVED** to agree the use of Election Poll Cards.

Proposed: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      Seconded: Cllr. Gemma Watton                      unanimous                      **453/21**

#### 10. Reports:

a) Ward Member Report: **454/21**

Cornwall Council is currently considering closing leisure centres in Falmouth, Launceston, Saltash and Wadebridge. A subsidy of £500k has been made to Newquay Airport. A press release is expected soon about Stratton Medical Unit.

Cllr. Chopak spoke of the Cornwall wide ‘Building the Sands’ funding and the possibility of setting up a working group to discuss the potential benefit to improve the coastal area of Widemouth Bay.

b) Chairman’s Report: **455/21**

The Chairman gave his report and thanked the Clerk for the support given in his new role as the Chair of the Council. He attended the Bude and Stratton Town Council meeting and the Remembrance Service at St. Winwaloes having the great honour of laying the wreath at the War Memorial. He wrote the report and Christmas message for the December edition of the Poundstock Packet, thanking Councillor's past and present for all their hard work and efforts over the years, finally highlighting the need for residents to complete the Housing Needs Survey.

c) Clerk's Report: **456/21**

General and Financial Risk Assessment and Internal Audit documents are being prepared for the Council to consider.

11. Steering/Working Group Reports:

a) Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group. **457/21**

The last meeting of the Steering Group was held virtually on 17 November 2021. Correspondence on the Housing Needs Survey has been sent to every household, available postal and online from 8 November with the closing date being 19 December 2021. The results are expected to be available in January/February 2022. Data processing of previous survey results continues; results are expected in the coming weeks.

An excellent report has been prepared by the two members of the Steering Group Landscape and Environment team. Further training sessions are to be arranged in the new year on the 'Edge of Settlement' analysis.

A public consultation event is to be organised incorporating the Housing Needs Survey and results, and to engage with parishioners on the aims and objectives, and guidance on policies to be included in the Neighbourhood Development Plan for Poundstock. A payment of £50.00 to be made to The Poundstock Packet as a contribution to advertising costs. The Steering Group currently has two vacancies. The next meeting is to be held virtually on 14 December 2021.

12. Portfolio Reports the following reports previously circulated were **NOTED.** **458/21**

- Cemetery & Closed Churchyard - Nothing further to report.
- Finance – Nothing further to report.
- Highways & Transport – Speeding through Bangors Green, having conducted a site visit Cllr. Furse suggested a 20mph be considered. Small sections of road hedges through Millook are a little overgrown with protruding branches. Signage at the top of Combe Lane 'Do not follow sat-nav' is being looked into by Cllr. Chopak.
- Planning – It was noted in the interest of openness and transparency that Councillors who have had contact regarding a planning application bring this to the table.
- Police Advocate – The Police and Crime Plan 2021-2025 Commissioner has indicated she wants to continue to engage with communities across Devon and Cornwall and see a stronger Police presence on the streets. View here: <https://www.devonandcornwall-pcc.gov.uk/about-us/police-and-crime-plan-2021-2025/>

Mental health and domestic abuse issues continue to be recognised and addressed, along with road traffic issues. Operation Snap where dash camera footage can be submitted to the Police of poor driving continues resulting in prosecution and conviction of offences continues. Revised guidance on Recognising, Recording and Reporting Anti-Social Behaviour including Environmental Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) is available at: -

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/956143/ASB\\_Statutory\\_Guidance.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/956143/ASB_Statutory_Guidance.pdf)

- PROW's: -

\* 21:21 Cllr. Revd Ben Lillie left the meeting.

Lack of signage and obstruction of PROW's continues to be of concern.

PROW WCA535 – **RESOLVED** to enter a caution against first registration through adverse possession.

Proposed: Cllr. Stephen Blake                      Seconded: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      unanimous                      **459/21**

**RESOLVED** – Clerk to seek a cost to clear the route.

Proposed: Cllr. Gemma Watton                      Seconded: Cllr. Robert Gavin                      unanimous                      **460/21**

- Widemouth Bay Toilets, Car Park and Beach – No problem with the extended opening hours

For the public toilets.

13. Councils Representatives reports from Outside Bodies: **461/21**

Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan spoke group set up by Holsworthy Town Council to examine the feasibility to establish a cycle track from Holsworthy to Bude including small section of Poundstock.

14. Correspondence Noted: **462/21**

a) Bude Community Network Panel Meeting 6 December 2021.

b) Temporary Prohibition of Traffic – Penfound Road 6-8th December 2021 (07:30 to 17:00 hrs).

15. Items for Information: None received. **463/21**

16. Items for next Agenda: Community Hall. **464/21**

17. Notification of the next Ordinary Council Meeting: Ordinary Meeting 25 January 2022. **465/21**

18. Meeting Closed 21:36 **466/21**