

## MEETING NO. 1067

### Minutes of the FEOCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at Feock Parish Council Offices, Devoran at 7.15pm.

#### Members Present:

WARDS	CARNON DOWNS	DEVORAN	FEOCK
	C Kemp	C Carter	C Johnson
	B Richards	D Kiernander	T Smithies
	M Kemp (Chair)	V Gordon	C Blake
			L West
			R Andrew

**In Attendance:** Debra Roberts, Parish Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer  
Cllr S Chamberlain (Cornwall Council)  
3 members of the public

#### CHAIRMAN: Councillor M Kemp

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2. APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Allen and Shankland. Cllr Carter gave apologies as she had to leave the meeting at 9pm.

#### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2014

Cllr Kiernander proposed that the minutes of the council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014, as circulated by the Clerk, be confirmed as a true record, and signed by the Chairman. This was seconded by Cllr West and was carried by the meeting.

#### 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Andrew made the following declaration of interest statement.

“I (Cllr Andrew) declare an interest in planning matters related either directly or in proximity to my land and property in Feock. For the public record, I am an employee of Cornwall Council working on the Localism Agenda. I have been advised by the Monitoring Officer that as a Parish Councillor I have no personal interest in the Neighbourhood Planning Agenda and related issues. However, if during the course of discussions issues are discussed of which I have a personal involvement it may be appropriate to leave the meeting and take no further part in the debate and for it to be recorded in the minutes”

#### 5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were 3 members of the public present who did not raise any questions during the public participation session.

#### 6. CARNON DOWNS WARD VACANCY

The Clerk confirmed that no one had contacted Cornwall Council regarding the vacancy and therefore the Council were able to co-opt a new member. Cllr Johnson proposed Iain MacDonald be co-opted to the Council, this was seconded by Cllr Blake. The co-option was carried by the majority of the meeting.

**ACTION: The Clerk to contact Mr MacDonald to complete the necessary paperwork**

#### 7. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

**100 year Commemoration of outbreak of WW1**

Cllr Richards has contacted a Monumental Masons and sent them photographs and the missing names to enable them to quote for the work to add the names, however it did not look as though there was sufficient room on the memorial so another plaque may need to be made, the Clerk would get options/prices. The Clerk advised that the War Memorials Trust did award funding for adding missing names to war memorials and once she had a price/options she would find out more about this.

**ACTION: Clerk to get options/prices for additional plaque**

#### **Recognition of resignation of Councillor**

Cllr Johnson would present this item in Cllr Allen's absence. Although the Langdon family did not have continuous service on the Council, there was a very long history of service and Cllr Allen felt it was important that this was recognised. After discussion regarding provision of a bench in Devoran with an inscribed plaque it was proposed by Cllr Richards that Cllr Allen to speak to Mr Langdon to find out if he would be happy with a dedicated bench or if there was another gift he would prefer. This was seconded by Cllr Kiernander and carried by the meeting.

**ACTION: Cllr Allen to speak to Mr Langdon and Clerk to put on June meeting agenda**

#### **Point Quay Insurance**

The Clerk had emailed Point Quay to explain the information we would need from them to prove governance between the Association and the Council to enable the Council's public liability insurance to cover Point Quay. The Clerk had received a letter from the Association regarding use of Point Green and this would be discussed later in the meeting under the standing item of Point Quay Report.

#### **Little Narabo Footpath sign**

The Clerk had reported this to Cornwall Council and it had been added to their list to replace.

Cllr Blake requested that the Footpath sign by the Church Hall in Feock, pointing to Pill Creek be replaced as this had been missing for approximately 6 months. Cllr Richards requested the Clerk find out when the fingerpost pointing to Tresithick would be replaced as this had been removed for refurbishment since before Christmas.

**ACTION: Clerk to contact Cornwall Council**

#### **Weeds on Footpath from Tremayne Close**

The Clerk confirmed she had reported this to the Council's contractor.

#### **Micro Library**

The Clerk advised that our interest in having a micro library in the Parish Office had been added to the Mobile Library consultation comments.

### **8. MATTERS FOR REPORT FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

Cllr West had attended the Bee Project and Book/Seed Swap event in the Parish Office recently and said she was very impressed with it and the number of people who attended, she also had a tour of the Pre-School which she thought was a very good facility.

Cllr C Kemp had attended the AGM of the Devoran Community Association and it had been agreed to have an Open Morning where the Parish Office and Pre-School would be open and local community groups/clubs/organisations could have a stall to promote their group, the Gig Club were already interested in coming along (Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June). Anyone interested should contact the Parish Clerk to book a table. The Participatory Budgeting Scheme would also be launched at this event.

### **9. CURRENT REPORTS**

#### **Cornwall Council**

Cllr Chamberlain had requested a meeting with the new developers of Trevince as complaints had been received from residents in Carnon Downs re the new access and if this was suitable and wide enough, and if there was a possibility of including additional parking within the site so that there were not additional cars parking in Forth Noweth.

Cllr Chamberlain had objected to the licensing application for an outdoor bar and outside events at the Carnon Inn.

**ACTION: Clerk to investigate the notification system for licensing applications**

Cllr Chamberlain continued to work on reducing the Homechoice Register, a consultation was currently open and recommended that a 5 year local connection would be needed to be eligible for the Homechoice Register.

Cllr Kiernander reported that getting into Truro from the Parish was now taking approx. 15 minutes longer now that the changes had been made to Trafalgar Roundabout, than it had previously, several other Councillors confirmed that this was the case. Cllr Chamberlain said he would report these concerns.

Cllr Smithies asked if Cornwall Council had a policy on the creation of unofficial passing places as this was happening on Old Quay Road and damaging the verges.

Cllr Chamberlain said that Cornwall Council had no obligation to repair these roads, he felt the issue was larger farm machinery was pushing back verges and exposing the edge of the tarmac which was then getting worn away. There had however been an instance where residents had dug back a verge in Coombe to create a passing place and Cormac were looking into this. Cllr Chamberlain confirmed that the road would shortly be resurfaced from Trolver Hill to Restronguet.

**Devon and Cornwall Police**

PCSO Tom Care was unable to attend the meeting and had provided the Clerk with his full report (attached at Appendix 1). The Clerk read out the report.

Cllr Gordon said that her neighbour had heating oil stolen recently and this wasn't included in the report.

**ACTION: Clerk to contact PCSO regarding this**

**10. FINANCIAL SUMMARY & ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

The Accounts for payment for April were presented to the Chairman for authorisation and signature, a copy presented to all members present for their information.

The Clerk gave the following financial summary for the month of April

Total outgoings	£6952
Total income	£51,224 (including £48,500 Precept, £2056 Localised council tax support grant)

Current account bank balance and bank reconciliation +£52,341.39 as at today

**Profit & Loss report to date**

Shows to date for the year for general/working account:-

Income	£51,890
Expenditure	£6952

Balance +£44,939 (second precept payment due October 2014)

Steve Hudson the Internal Auditor would be carrying out the audit on Tuesday 20th May.

**11. LOCAL WARD REPORTS**

### **Feock – Cllr Smithies**

Thanks to the Feock Hall Group for all their work and energy so far in the investigations into the provision of a new or refurbished hall in Feock.

There have been complaints regarding the removal of 5 trees near to Pill Creek on Bank Holiday Monday. After investigation it had been found that planning permission had been granted for this work, however there was a discussion regarding how this application differed to another application which had been refused, there appeared to be inconsistency in Tree Officer's decisions.

#### **ACTION: Parish Clerk to contact Tree Officer regarding inconsistency between two applications in Feock**

Cllr Chamberlain advised that Senior Planners were now drawing up a tree policy to enable more consistency in decisions across the county.

### **Devoran – Cllr Gordon**

The Corlink service provided by OTS was ceasing at the end of May. The loss of the service had been discussed by the Sustainable Transport Group and it had been hoped that it could have been extended, users were willing to pay more to keep it.

Mylor Parish Council had advised that Cornwall Council would be carrying out an Environmental Impact Assessment on the land at South Restronguet. It was requested that the Clerk contact the Campaign for Rural England to make them aware of this scheme.

#### **ACTION: Clerk to contact Campaign for Rural England**

Cllr Johnson advised there was a problem with dog fouling on the footpath to Olive Villas. It was agreed for the Parish Clerk to contact Cornwall Council to request a No Dog Fouling sign be put up.

#### **ACTION: Clerk to contact Cornwall Council**

### **Carnon Downs – Cllr Richards**

One of the major issues in Carnon Downs for a very long time has been the speed and volume of traffic on Bissoe Road. We have historic data on this matter but as this is now a couple of years out of date, I asked Ben Dickinson of Cornwall Highways to carry out a speed and flow survey on the road. Speed and volume of traffic has also been a major factor for ourselves, residents and Highways in determining some issues relating to the proposed new development at Trevince. A monitoring device was set up for eight days from 8th to 15th April and monitoring was wholly within the 30mph speed restriction zone.

During this time a total of over 8,900 vehicle movements were monitored. Of these 53% were travelling in a south easterly direction, that is going out of the village and 47% were coming in the opposite direction. These figures represent a flow of over 4,000 traffic movements in each direction over the period of the survey.

The average weekday movements adding both directions together were 1,195 and weekend movements, 874. Speed monitoring of this flow showed that 85% of traffic was within the 30mph limit with a further 14.5% between 31 and 40 mph. Just 0.4% were over this 40mph when leaving the village and 0.9% when coming in. The overall mean average speed of all vehicle movements was calculated at around 25mph with the fastest speeds, on average, recorded between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.

Average speed during the daytime period 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., when most pedestrians are using this stretch of road was around 24.5mph, well within the 30mph limit for the road.

These figures, as with recent figures obtained for Old Carnon Hill in a survey a few months ago, confirm that whilst traffic volume is quite heavy, it is not excessive in modern terms and it is rare that the road is used, as some residents would suggest, as a race track.

I have thanked Ben Dickinson for his work in providing this service to us and a full copy of his report is available from the Parish Clerk.

The other main issue in Carnon Downs is the development at Trevince. This has been the subject of a recent revised planning application, which at first I felt might mean another long fight to get back what we had gained from the developer in terms of affordable housing and ancillary contributions towards education, recreation and footpaths but in fact was a resubmission of the previous plan with very slight amendments made necessary because of an unresolved issue of ownership of the Bridleway through the site. Cornwall Council had maintained that they owned the Bridleway but were unable to prove their point to the satisfaction of the developer and the legal team acting on his behalf and so plans were changed to permit access to part of the site via a link with Forth Noweth. Accessing part of the site across a potentially disputed Bridleway could have resulted in that part of the site being inaccessible to vehicular traffic if an owner suddenly came forward and claimed his right of no vehicular access across the Bridleway. This was a risk the developer was not prepared to take. The resulting plan, subject to approval at County level, now provides footpath access only across the Bridleway which will ease traffic flowing onto Bissoe Road but create additional traffic into Forth Noweth. The Planning Committee decided that whilst this may be an inconvenience to some residents, it did not form such a major issue that we could oppose the plan and potentially throw the whole scheme into jeopardy.

Progress on Carnon Downs Village Hall new annexe is progressing satisfactorily, according to my local sources and has now reached roof level.

Other than that, the Ward is in need of a new Councillor following the resignation of Mr. Langdon and the Clerk has taken the necessary steps to advertise this vacancy.

## **12. REPORT ON PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Cllr Richards gave a report on the latest Planning Meeting. A full report on the applications considered is attached at Appendix 2.

Cllr Richards advised that a planning application for internal alterations of Cllr Johnson's property had been considered by the Planning Committee, and there were no objections, however to ensure transparency he asked that all Councillors look at this application (reference number ..... ) and let him know by ..... if they had any objections.

There had been some discussion regarding the size of the planning committee. There were no set out rules on how many Councillors needed to be on a planning committee, at present there were 5, it was agreed that a substitute system be put in place to ensure that all wards were always represented, especially when an application from their ward was being considered. Any large or controversial applications would also go to full Council. It was suggested that if a Planning Committee member was unable to attend the meeting, they would find a substitute and advise the Assistant Clerk who would be attending in their place.

The review of the Planning Committee would be put on the June Full Council meeting agenda.

**ACTION: Clerk to add to June agenda**

## **13. PROPERTY WORKING PARTY**

A meeting would be arranged shortly, the risk assessments needed to be considered and recommendations put to the full Council at the June meeting.

**ACTION: Clerk to add to June meeting**

## **14. FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES WORKING GROUP**

The next meeting would be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June. At the June meeting it would be proposed to merge the Property and Finance & General Purposes Working Group.

**ACTION: Clerk to add to June meeting**

**15. SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT WORKING GROUP**

Cllr Andrew advised no meeting of this group had been held since the last Parish Council meeting. A meeting had been arranged between himself, the Clerk, Peter Tatlow, Ben Dickinson and Mark O'Brien on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May to discuss the Development Strategy for the Parish Lengthsman Scheme.

**16. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Cllr Richards reported that a meeting had been held with Cornwall Council regarding housing policies last week. We did not need to allocate sites, however in that case we should have policies to state the type of housing we wished to see, and where we did and did not wish to see it. A Business Forum had been set up by Malcolm Read and Peter Jefferson. The Design Guide was being worked on by the Environment Group in conjunction with Katie Cooke. The public exhibitions would be held at the end of June / beginning of July.

**17. POINT QUAY**

Cllr Kiernander had attended the Point Quay Association Meeting, which was a very good meeting. Most of the income is from the Regatta Party which is held after the Regatta (this is arranged by another group). He had forwarded a copy of the minutes to the Clerk for information.

Cllr Gordon who also sits on the Point Quay Association read out a letter that had been received requesting permission to use Point Green for parking as below.

1. Hold the Children's Sports on Point Green on Saturday 28th June 2014.
2. Use Point Green as a parking area after the Children's Sports on Saturday 28th June 2014.
3. Use Point Green as a parking area for the Service on the Quay on Sunday 29th June 2014.
4. Use Point Green as a parking area for the Watersports Events on the evening of Monday 30th June 2014.

Cllr Richards proposed this be agreed and authorised by the Council, this was seconded by Cllr Kiernander and carried by the meeting.

**ACTION: Clerk to advised PQA that this had been authorised**

**18. REQUEST FOR USE OF DEVORAN PARK BY SCOUTING ASSOCIATION FOR EVENT**

The Clerk had attended a meeting regarding a proposed Family Fun Day to be held by the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts in Devoran Park on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June. All present agreed to this event being held in the park on the understanding that the Scouts had their own insurance, the Clerk confirmed that this was the case.

**ACTION: Clerk to advise Scouting Association this had been agreed**

Cllr Carter left the meeting at 9.00 pm.

**19. RETALLACK PLAYING FIELD**

The Chairman said that there was a covenant on the Playing Field which restricted any development under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. He felt if this covenant was not adhered to, that this may deter other residents from gifting or selling land to the Parish in the future, if they felt their wishes would not be respected.

**It was agreed to suspend the Standing Orders to enable members of the public present to speak on this matter to inform the discussion.**

It was pointed out by a member of the public present that the land was sold to the Parish Council and was to be for the good of the village and children, the Feock Hall Group wished to enhance the facility, utilising a

section that was not used. They asked if the residents or the families of the residents who sold the land could be contacted to find out their views and asked that the Parish Council give more thought to this matter before passing a motion to support the covenant. There was strong feeling at the public meeting for building a new community hall on the Retallack Playing Field. The Church Hall needed refurbishment and the Church did not have money to do this.

It was agreed for the Clerk to obtain legal advice on whether any type of building for community use would be allowable under the covenant.

The Clerk advised that she had obtained legal advice which indicated that a certain type of parking space may be allowable under the covenant but Planning would also need to confirm this.

**ACTION: Clerk to seek legal and planning advice**

The Chairman said that the Parish Council supported the aspirations of the residents of Feock for a new or improved village hall facility and were willing to work with the group on this.

**The Standing Orders were unsuspending.**

The Feock Hall Group wished to publish in the St Feock Church Magazine a joint statement with the Parish Council explaining the current situation. Cllr Johnson had amended the original statement and this was circulated.

**The Chairman proposed the article be published with the deletion of the first paragraph on the second page. This was seconded by Cllr Richards and carried by a majority.**

**20. CORY ENVIRONMENTAL FUNDING**

The Clerk had checked the funding criteria and funding was not available for sponsoring of roundabouts, works to pavements, verges boarding roads etc. We would need to re-think the projects we had that would be suitable for this funding as the project we had in mind was not eligible.

**ACTION: Clerk to add to June agenda and circulate examples of successful projects to the Council**

**21. TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS LIST PRIORITISATION**

**Cllr Richards proposed this list be prioritised by the Sustainable Transport Group and then recommendations be put to the full Council. This was agreed.**

**22. LISTING OF COMMUNITY ASSETS**

**It was proposed by the Chairman for the Clerk to investigate the possibility of listing the Four Turnings Car Park and car park opposite Devoran Car Sales. This was seconded by Cllr Kierander.**

**23. LAND AT MYLOR/SOUTH RESTRONGUET**

This item had already been covered earlier in the meeting.

**24. DOG CONTROL ORDERS, DOG BINS & JUBILEE WOOD SIGNS**

The Clerk advised the cost of a dog bin was £150 plus approx. £60 a year for Cory to empty it. Cllr Allen had suggested additional bins at Retallack Park and Jubilee Wood. It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting for further discussion.

Mylor Parish Council had asked if we wish to be involved in a joint Dog Regulation Order with them.

**Cllr Richards proposed the Clerk find out costs involved in a Dog Control Order, this was seconded by the Chairman.**

**ACTION: Clerk to find out costs**

All those present agreed to suspend the Standing Orders at 10.00pm for the purposes of completing important business.

**25. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**

The Chairman proposed that as there was little time before the AGM to review the standing orders (the Clerk was reviewing these before the end of June) that the Standing Order relating to the AGM agenda order be suspended for the AGM to introduce a more workable agenda.

**ACTION: Clerk to contact CALC to find out if this was acceptable.**

**UNDER THE S100A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (as amended) MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC LEFT THE MEETING**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.30pm.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014, AGM, Market Hall, Devoran at 6.30pm**



There were 2 reported crimes within the Parish for April 2014;

1. GT/14/821 – Theft of ladies bicycle (made by Scott, purple & white in colour) from a garden in Carnon Downs, this occurred at some point between Tuesday 15th & Tuesday 22nd April.
2. GT/14/875 – common assault, it took place within a dwelling and the offender received a caution.

During April the police received 26 calls in the parish, 8 of these calls relate to one property over a three day period, the person at the address had some health issues, these are now being addressed.

One call of interest related to a shiny black coloured Ford galaxy in the Carnon Downs area on Saturday 4th April at 14:30 hours, the male driver was offering pressure washers and generators. This vehicle was also seen in St Keverne, Helston two days previously offering pressure washers and generators for sale. I have contacted Trading standards based at Threemilestone and they have not had any reports in relation to this vehicle. However trading standards are extremely keen to deal with incidents of this nature, so please contact police on 101 in the first instance and we can share the information with trading standards.

**Planning determinations for the following applications had been made since the last meeting**

- 604** Creek Cottage Restronguet Point Feock TR3 6RB **PA14/00489** – Consent granted
- 605** Tregunna Penpol Devoran Truro TR3 6NN **PA14/00514** – Conditional approval
- 606** 2 Chycoose Devoran TR3 6NU **PA14/00742** – Conditional approval
- 607** Ponsmain Cottage West Pill Road, Feock TR3 6SD **PA14/00792** – Conditional approval
- 609** Chycoose Barn Chycoose Devoran TR3 6NU **PA14/01069** - Refused
- 610** St Feock Church Churchtown Feock TR3 6SD **PA14/01075** – Consent granted
- 611** Shalimar Trevilla Road Feock TR3 6QW **PA14/01068** - Refused
- 612** 16 Chycoose Parc Point Devoran TR3 6NT **PA14/01073** – Consent granted
- 613** Nancassick Cottage King Harry Road Feock TR3 6QN **PA14/01074** – Consent granted
- 614** The Owls House Pill Lane Feock Truro TR3 6SE **PA14/00771** – Consent granted
- 615** Cross Park Churchtown Feock TR3 6SA **PA13/10302** – Consent granted
- 616** 8 Dozmere Close Feock TR3 6RL **PA14/01443** – Consent granted
- 617** Kessenyens 12 La Vague Feock TR3 6RQ **PA14/01187** – Conditional approval
- 618** Treliever Farm Bissoe Road Carnon Downs TR3 6LQ **PA14/01403** – Conditional approval
- 620** Overstrand Restronguet Point Feock TR3 6RB **PA14/01303** – Conditional approval
- 621** 21 Trelawne Road Carnon Downs TR3 6HP **PA14/01800** – Conditional approval
- 622** Chy-An-Porth Restronguet Point Feock TR3 6RB **PA14/01960** – Conditional approval

**The following applications were considered and decided as detailed.**

**627** Trevince, Bissoe Road, Carnon Downs TR3 6LL **PA14/02668**

“Feock Parish Council fully supports this application. It is fundamentally a resubmission of the previously approved application for this site, the only real change being access to part of the site made necessary because of uncertain ownership of the Bridleway through the site. Access to part of the site via Forth Noweth has previously been favoured by the Parish Council and noted by others over a period of many years. Its other benefits are to reduce the impact of this development on the busier access on Bissoe Road and provide a pedestrian link through the site from Forth Noweth and nearby roads to village services to the south of Bissoe Road. The Parish Council would like to see a suitable condition applied to the application ensuring that noise and other nuisance associated with large construction sites is minimised to alleviate neighbour’s concerns and that hours of working are, within reason, kept to a socially acceptable level.”

**630** Quay Cottage Roundwood Kea TR3 6AS **PA14/02684**

“Feock Parish Council supports this application and is very grateful to the applicant and his agent for providing such a detailed summary of their proposals but would ask the applicant to reconsider the pallet of material being used, particularly the white render, to ensure that the visual impact of the building is less intrusive in its heavily wooded background.”

**628** Bowood Ropewalk Penpol Devoran TR3 6NS **PA14/02953**

“Feock Parish Council strongly object to this application. The proposed mass and particularly the height of the proposed development, raising the ridge in the region of 2 metres, would be out of keeping with the local street scene and provide an unacceptable intrusion into the skyline when viewed from the creek and further afield. The raising of the height and proposed rooms in the new roof structure are also considered to intrude excessively upon the rights of privacy and private amenity enjoyed by the immediate neighbours.”

**629** 7 Apsley Lodge Wellington Plantation Penelewey Feock TR3 6QP **PA14/02991**

“Feock Parish Council has no objection to this proposal provided that it does not impact upon mature and protected trees within the curtilage of the site.”

**Planning appeals and enforcements**

There were no planning appeals to be considered. A completed planning enforcement complaint form had been received in relation to the Trees at Tresithick (Meeting No.1064 Item no.8) and was being forwarded to the Planning Enforcement Department at Cornwall Council.