

## **Minutes of Amenities and Access Committee No. 1087 held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at The Parish Council Office at 7.00pm.**

Members present:

WARDS	CARNON DOWNS P Allen	DEVORAN	FEOCK L West R Andrew C Johnson	POINT & PENPOL C Blake
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CHAIRMAN: Councillor C Johnson

### **1. Introduction**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **2. Apologies**

Apologies received from Cllr Gordon, Cllr Shankland and Cllr Richards.

### **3. Minutes**

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed with one minor amendment regarding point nine (Grouping of Activity of the Committee) Cllr Allen's role to include footways and cyclepaths.

### **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**

No members of the public present

### **6. Our Place Projects**

#### *Community Transport Scheme (Inclusion+)*

We are unable to charge for the service, so the council agreed that donations could be a good gauge and see what people are willing to pay. Volunteer drivers would have a notional list of fares and encourage passengers to donate.

#### *Lengthsman Scheme*

We are unable to draw a scheme of work and therefore it is difficult to set out what budget would be required for the Lengthsman. Cllr Allen would like additional footpath work next year and footways cleared out because there is a lot of encroachment. Cllr Andrews suggests a starting point

are the milestones and fingerposts. This fits with the Lengthsman Scheme. Council agree with the Parish Clerk's suggestions for organising the Lengthsman scheme.

**RESOLUTION: Cllr Allen proposes £2,500 budget for Lengthsman for 15/16 financial year, seconded by Cllr Andrew. Motion carried by committee.**

#### **7. Roundabouts / Funding Requirements**

Ben Dickinson and Viv Bidgood are the main points of contact. Cllr West has not yet approached parties for sponsorship. An estimated cost for each roundabout is approximately £4,000.

There was a lot of discussion about what action should be taken regarding the roundabouts: Cllr Johnson would it be best to focus on one roundabout (the bottom one), come up with a planting scheme and then find sponsors. Cllr West felt it would be best to improve both roundabouts simultaneously. Cllr West has provided the forms for sponsorship and maintenance of roundabouts. Cllr Andrew suggests doing the roundabout maintenance at the same time as the verges on the bypass. Cllr Allen feels that the planting would be satisfactory if the brambles were cleared. So his view is CD roundabout would be satisfactory for another year.

**RESOLUTION: Cllr Andrew proposes £5,000 on roundabouts, seconded by Cllr Allen. Motion carried by the committee.**

**ACTION: Cllr West to share documentation and research on roundabouts to A&A Committee.**

#### **8. Risk Assessments**

The parish clerk is to take a more active approach to reminding council members to update the risk assessments. Cllr Allen reminds the council that it is important to conduct RAs. RAs are awaiting a second opinion and as conditions change, councillors need to be aware that new risks may have arisen.

**RESOLUTION: Cllr Johnson proposes sum of £500 for signage, seconded by Cllr Allen.**

**ACTION: Councillors to be aware of other parish council signs and report back good examples.**

**ACTION: Add to Mar/Apr Access and Amenities Committee 'signage for parish council administered'**

**ACTION: Add Restronguet Point to Ewan's maintenance.**

#### **9. Devoran Recreation Ground Improvements / Funding Requirements**

Cory funding yet to be agreed, as Parish Council need to demonstrate an element of public consultation. The Parish Council will select options of play structures and then do consultation to get feedback. Cllr Gordon has contacted St Columb Outdoor Play and asked to meet on site.

**RESOLUTION: Cllr Allen proposes £5,000 for Devoran and £1,000 for Feock. Seconded by Cllr Blake and carried by the committee.**

#### **10. Environment Agency Land at Bissoe Valley – Meeting Date**

The area that the EA want to get rid of is owned by Carrick Council (as of a 1990 restoration vision document from that time). The Parish Council need to ask the Environment about:

- Landholdings
- Management plan
- Connection and agreement with tramways project
- What might be available

Update from Cllr Johnson – the tramway project doesn't exist anymore. Trevor Edwards at Cornwall Wildlife Trust suggested that the Parish Council should talk to them in the first instance as they are experts before approaching the EA. Mr Edwards suggested the Parish Council speaks to Simon Murray (Sustrans) and Jeremy Williams (former Development Officer for World Heritage Sites).

**ACTION: Cllr Allen to send meeting invitation to Cllrs Blake and Andrews**

**ACTION: The Parish Clerk and Cllr Allen to report back in full after meeting with EA**

### **11. Cycleway to Truro**

Cllr Allen reports that there won't be additional investment unless use is demonstrated, so we need to publicise the route.

**ACTION: Parish Clerk to update website with cycleways.**

### **12. Other Funding Requirements**

Additional funding for the transport scheme was discussed. The Project Officer suggested a minimum value of £6,000 for a volunteer car scheme.

**RESOLUTION: Cllr Blake proposes £6,000, Cllr Andrews seconded and motion carried by the committee.**

### **13. AOB**

No other items raised.

S100 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (as amended) – Members of the press and public may be excluded from any discussion on the following items on the basis of the likely enclosure of exempt information.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2015, 7PM**