



## The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at the St Erme Community Centre

### Those present:

Cllr Trethewey (Chairman), Cllr Hodgkinson, Cllr Riggs and Cllr Couch

### In attendance:

Sally Trethewey (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

### 191/17 To accept apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Pound and Cllr Eathorne-Gibbons

### 192/17 Declarations of Interest in items on the Agenda

#### a) Councillors to disclose any declarations of interests on any agenda items.

Cllr Trethewey declared a non-pecuniary interest on the following agenda item:

#### 7) Planning:-

- a) To consider any planning applications received up to the date of the meeting:
  - PA18/01003 – Mr Thompson, Land west of Laurel Cottage, St Erme, Truro  
Dwelling on land adjacent to Laurel Cottage

### 193/17 Dispensations

#### a) Member/s to request a Dispensation for an item on the agenda that has just become apparent at this meeting.

There were no dispensations requested

### Public Participation (15 minutes)

**The public are given 15 minutes to discuss any item on the agenda, after this period the members of the public may stay at the meeting but will not be able to comment or participate.**

A member of the public spoke in objection to planning application number PA18/01003.

Cllr Trethewey had declared a non-pecuniary interest on this item and left the room.

The member of the public had concerns over the height of the elevations, the location on the plot and that the proposals would cause an unacceptable loss of light to the property behind the proposed dwelling, which would also leave the same dwelling in shade for most of the day.

The member of the public was thanked and members would take into consideration the comments made when looking at the application.

Cllr Trethewey rejoined the meeting

### 194/17 To receive and approve the minutes previously circulated of the meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018

The minutes previously circulated were agreed and it was therefore

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 be agreed as a true record and duly signed.**

### 195/17 Councillors to discuss any matters with Cornwall Councillor if present:

Cllr Eathorne-Gibbons had given his apologies and had forwarded the report below:

1. Integration of health and social care. Cabinet colleagues are concerned about the poor financial standing of the main health bodies (commissioners and providers) in Cornwall and are not prepared to support an accountable care system. Instead their view is that the present Health and Well Being Board should be strengthened, continue to be chaired by Leader of Cornwall Council with majority of Cllrs as members, and

provide the necessary leadership to health bodies in Cornwall. It seems NHS England is supportive of this approach, with further work being done to clarify finances and budgets.

2. Stadium at Llangarth. There are presently mixed views about the Cabinet providing financial support to the Stadium. The latest news is that GLL, who looks after the Council's various leisure interests, will now be an active partner in the proposals for the Stadium with their very recent proposed provision of new indoor recreation facilities. It is possible the Government will provide some financial support but if not, Cornwall Council may provide between £4m and £6m toward the present cost of £12m. The difference between the first two figures is due to how one reflects the value of the land the Council is providing for a nominal £1. Cabinet will decide on its final position at the end of this month before the whole issue goes to full Council in May for decision.

3. CORMAC Strategic Review. The Consultant undertaking this work has recently completed his studies and is currently preparing his report and recommendations. These are expected to go to CC officers for an initial consideration.

### **196/17 Clerks Update and Report**

The clerk reported on the following:

- **Noticeboard** -The noticeboard by the shop needs the gas strut fixed into place: Cllr Hodgkinson agreed to look at this and carry out the work.
- **St Erme Church** - A letter of thanks has been received for their grant
- **North Coast Cluster Group** – Update on the correspondence for the Street Cleansing agreements and grants
- **Rospa Playsafety** – E-mail of acknowledgement and proposed cost to carry out the Annual Inspection of the councils play equipment
- **Training Report** – To clerk attended training on ‘The Council as an Employer’ and forwarded a report. It was agreed to add the report as a future agenda item to be discussed further.

Members were notified of all correspondence received and reminded of forthcoming meetings.

### **197/17 Planning:-**

#### **a) To consider any planning applications received up to the date of the meeting:**

- **PA18/01003 – Mr Thompson, Land west of Laurel Cottage, St Erme, Truro Dwelling on land adjacent to Laurel Cottage**

Cllr Trethewey had declared a non-pecuniary interest on this item and left the room.

It was proposed and seconded for Cllr Hodgkinson to chair this item.

Members discussed the application and it was

#### **RESOLVED to object to the application for the following reasons:**

- 1) The proposed dwelling is too large and would be overdevelopment of the site.
- 2) The elevations of the application are higher than the adjacent dwelling of Laurel Cottage and would be overbearing not only to Laurel Cottage but to 29 Polisken Way.
- 3) The proposed dwelling is too close to 29 Polisken Way and would cause an unacceptable loss of light and overshadowing to the property. The proposed dwelling is only 4.7m at its closest point to 29 Polisken Way.
- 4) The plans are incorrect in stating that 27 Polisken Way has obscure glass in the window facing the proposed property.
- 5) The style and type of property proposed is not in keeping with the area; the existing properties along this road are either bungalows or dormer bungalows and are low level in height.
- 6) The proposed dwelling would be visible from the north and would impose on the natural ridgeline of the settlement boundary.

The proposal is against Policy 12: Design (1a, 2a &2b) and Policy 23: Natural Environment (2) of the Cornwall Local Plan 2010-2030.

#### **b) Update on planning issues:**

- **Planning enforcement**

There were no current enforcement issues

- **Update on planning decisions**

Members were notified that the applicants have gone to appeal for planning application No PA17/09639 – Construction of replacement dwelling at The Flat, The Bungalow, Polisken Farm, St Erme. This item was discussed and it was agreed that no further representations were required and that the inspector would have been forwarded the council's objection to the application.

- **Update on the Burrington Development**

There were no updates

**c) To receive and agree information on Burrington Developments transferring the public open space north of the new development at Trispen Hill to the ownership of St Erme Parish Council.**

No information had been received so it was agreed to forward to the next meeting.

**198/17 Accounts:**

- a) **Cheques agreed and signed during the last month:**  
**Chq No 1886 & 1887: Salaries (February) = £921.12**  
**DD: Sage UK (Payroll) = £7.20**  
**DD: o2 (Mobile Phone) = £18.70**  
**Cheques to be agreed and signed**  
**DD: PWLB (Loan Repayment) = £3,344.97**  
**Chq No 1888: Mrs S Trethewey (Expenses) = £18.00**  
**Chq No 1889: St Erme Playing Field Trust (Hall Hire) = £22.50**  
**Chq No 1890: St Erme WI (Providing Refreshments for 21.11.17) = £20.00**  
**Chq No 1891: BJ Press (NP Newsletter No 5) = £132.00**  
**Chq No 1892: Cornwall ALC Limited (Clerk Training) = £30.00**  
**Chq No 1893: Lyreco Uk Ltd (Ink Toner) = £168.95**  
**Chq No 1894: M Pearson (Street Cleaning) = £200.00**

The above accounts were approved and it was therefore

**RESOLVED for Cllr Hodgkinson and Cllr Riggs to sign the cheques which were witnessed by Cllr Couch**

**b) To update and approve the accounts, budget sheets and bank reconciliations**

The accounts previously circulated were approved and it was therefore

**RESOLVED that the accounts be approved as a true record and duly signed by Cllr Hodgkinson**

**199/17 Highways**

**a) To update on Tregassow Lane's flooding issues and drainage scheme/resurfacing.**

There were no further updates and it was agreed for the clerk to follow up.

**b) To update on the repainting of the yellow and white road markings in the village.**

Mr Viv Bidgood has informed members that the yellow lining renewal in the village is planned to go ahead prior to the end of the financial year, subject to weather.

Mr Bidgood also apologised that the missed areas at Eglos Road had still not been resurfaced and has stated that he will ask his colleagues to add the works to their list for the forthcoming year.

**c) To update regarding a blocked soak-a-way outside of the schools pedestrian gate into Chancery Close**

The issue with the blocked soak-a-way seems to be going backwards and forwards between Cornwall Housing and Cormac. The clerk will follow this up as soon as possible.

**200/17 To consider and respond to the following consultations**

- **Highways England: A30 Chiverton to Carland Cross dual carriageway scheme consultation**

This application was discussed and it was agreed to respond to the consultation as follows:

St Erme Parish Council are pleased with the new plans for the A30 improvements scheme. We feel that this is a good scheme and well thought out for local people as well as commuters and the business and tourist trade.

We do feel though that it would be good if you could open up Church Lane for pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders, this would be a huge asset to the village of Zelah linking it to the open countryside and our parish (St Erme).

We are also interested to hear the work with Cornwall Council about the Boxheater Scotland Road - Trevemper proposals. This could be the answer to the Henvor Lane issues at Zelah. With a clever bit of re-aligning where Henvor Lane meets the B3275 traffic could be put off using Henvor Lane as a rat run and choose to go via the Boxheater junction instead.

- **Cornwall Council: Consultation on the 'Adult Social Care Policies'**

Members discussed this consultation and there were no comments

**201/17 To receive a grant request of 300.00 from the St Erme Village Hall Committee towards the cost of work to the hall floor.**

This item was discussed and it was

**RESOLVED to grant the sum of £300.00 to the St Erme Village Hall Committee towards the cost of maintenance to the hall floor; as per the council's Grant Policy**

**202/17 'General Data Protection Regulations' (GDPR)**

**a) To update and discuss on information received regarding the forthcoming changes the 'General Data Protection Regulations' (GDPR) and the implications to the council.**

There were further updates regarding this.

**203/17 To discuss and agree the consultation options for the Community Money Benefit requests and to launch the consultation at the Annual Parish Meeting**

This item was discussed and it was agreed for Cllr Trethewey to give a presentation on this item at the Annual Parish meeting informing the community on where we are currently at. The next stage will be to hold a public meeting inviting the organisations that have placed bids to carry out a presentation on their projects. Following this a questionnaire will go out to all households to vote on their preferred bid/s.

Seven local organisations have forwarded bids and one member of the public.

**204/17 To discuss and update on the format for the Annual Parish Meeting scheduled for Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018 to be held at the St Erme Community Centre**

The clerk is waiting for confirmation from Devon & Cornwall Police on their attendance and the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group will carry out a presentation. St Erme WI has agreed to make and serve the refreshments. The clerk has advertised the meeting in the noticeboards, at community centre and in the Village Voice.

**205/17 Councillor's to report on any meetings attended as representatives:**

- **St Erme Village Hall Committee (Cllr S Jones)**

There were no updates

- **St Erme Cricket Club (Cllr Pound)**

There were no updates

- **St Erme Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (Cllr Trethewey)**

Cllr Trethewey reported that the plan is currently being written along with the 'Evidence Base' and 'Consultation' documents.

**206/17 To next meeting will be the Annual Parish Meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and the next full meeting of the council on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018 at the St Erme Community Centre at 7.30pm**

The above dates and times were agreed

**SIGNED**

**CHAIRMAN**

**DATED**