

# MEETING OF ST WINNOW PARISH COUNCIL held on Zoom on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 at 19.30

**Present:** Acting Chair Councillor Penny Rowe (PR), Councillors; Judy Stephens (JS), Peter Champness (PC), Katie Vine (KV), Dave Boraston (DB), Cornwall Councillor Colin Martin (CM), Members of the Public; Julian Mitchell, Alistair Squire,

**1. Chairman's Welcome and Public Participation.** Members of the public may address the Council prior to the commencement of the meeting. This meeting has been advertised as a public meeting and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media or members of the public. Please be aware that whilst every effort is taken to ensure that members of the public are not filmed, we cannot guarantee this, especially if you are speaking or taking an active role.

**2. Apologies for Absence:** Councillor Stephanie Chapman (SC), Councillor Joseph Flynn (JF),

**3. Declaration of Members Interest.** (i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. (ii) Non Pecuniary Interest. **PC declared he would sit out at Item 8. Planning Application PA21/00038**

**4. To receive minutes of zoom meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 PC Proposed these Minutes were of a true account seconded by KV with all in favour.**

**5. Matters arising from those minutes. DB: in regard to the toilets St Veep PC are under the impression we will not be paying towards them in the next financial year. KP to email and clarify we will be discussing the payment towards to the toilets in November when we set our precept and nothing has yet been decided.**

**6. Chairman's Report.**

**7. Reports from Outside Organisations.**

a) Devon & Cornwall Police. PCSO SC sent his report by Email: There were no crimes reported in St Winnow from 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Numerous patrols were carried out.

b) Cornwall Council. CM: CC have received £500m towards the COVID Crisis, £400m has been distributed to small businesses that have registered. This still leaves CC £9.4m short due to carpark closures etc. therefore there will probably be a 3% rise on Council Tax, adding to that the rise in health and social care it will go up by 4.99%

Planning Application PA21/00038 CM offered to stay online for this item should we have any questions.

c) Red Store. Remains Closed

**8. Planning Applications.**

1) PA21/00963 – Duchy Nurseries - Construction of overflow carpark on land adjacent to the existing carpark to include new access ramp and revised exit onto highway along with associated landscaping. This application relates to Crown land.

It was questioned why they need additional parking for 55 more cars, are they currently parking on the access road and public highway as they state? They should have sufficient parking places for the capacity of the original planning application, therefore should not need the additional spaces unless they are planning on expanding.

PC proposed we request a site meeting along with an extension until COVID restrictions have been lifted with the planning officer, as we need clarification of the application and to assess the narrow roads. KP to arrange.

2) PA21/00038 - Land At Gillyflower Farm Cott Road Lostwithiel Cornwall PL22 0HQ – **This is not within St Winnow Parish but the neighbouring parish of Lostwithiel.**

**This planning application was discussed with traffic & light pollution in mind. JS proposed we should submit a comment as a neighbouring council seconded by PR with all in favour. The following comments were submitted:**

As a neighbouring parish, we have grave concerns on traffic issues and light pollution in relation to this application, which will affect our roads and residents.

This application contravenes Policy 27 of the local Plan Strategic Policy on traffic, section 6, "development should not significantly adversely impact on the local or strategic road network" The access road to the site through Cott road, Lostwithiel is not suitable to carry the increase in traffic, but more importantly navigational aids will send Coaches and Cars, either off the A390 by Bodmin Lodge, or off the A390 past St Winnow School, both these rural roads are single track narrow lanes, and the proposed development will have a serious impact on the safety of all users and residents on these lanes. No amount of signage or mitigating proposed works will prevent this problem.

According to the clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act 2005, light is a potential statutory nuisance, and the developers intention to light the building continuously will be visually obtrusive, and light pollution effects wildlife and ecosystems. We have a duty to protect our wildlife and night skies.

## 9. Planning Results.

1) PA20/10892 – St Winnow Parish Council raised the boundary trees and hedgerows as an issue in our submitted comments; The planning officer has confirmed the below restrictive covenant:

“No trees within 15m of the boundaries of the Property with a greater diameter of 100mm at breast height and as shown on Conveyancing Plan 2 shall without the previous written consent of the Trust be felled lopped topped cut or removed.”

**10. Grant Funding and Applications. NONE KP confirmed an article regarding this is in the current Newsletter.**

**11. Neighbourhood Plan.** JS will be distributing content for approval soon, ready for setting out policies.

**12. Common Land CL04/CL05.** To discuss the upkeep and safety of the area and the next step. KP confirmed both benches are in good working order. Access to the jetty is unsafe and needs to be cleared, this has been barricaded by unknown members of the public and needs addressing.

DB asked when the public byway sign will be repositioned, KP confirmed the relevant department at CC have been made aware of the location of the sign and it is no longer missing, we are on the list of to do jobs!

The turning area by the large wooden gates is becoming a quagmire as larger vehicles are using it, this is damaging the common land adjacent to tarmac, can we look into fencing this part of the land. DB to take photographs of the evidence for discussion at the next meeting. KP to add as an agenda item.

**13. Cornwall Environment Plan.** To discuss renewal of signs within the parish. KP has reported photographic evidence of the wooden signposts that need attention. This is also on their to do list!

**14. Parish Newsletter.** – KP confirmed a disclaimer had been approved by JF (DPO) to send with the electronic emails.

**15. Road Safety of the corner at Trewether. CM confirmed he has sent some video evidence to the highways officer.**

**16. Fly Tipping within the Parish.** This was discussed at the last meeting. CM confirmed a local group called turn the tide had gathered some litter and left for collection in a layby, so this was not classed as fly tipping.

**17. Correspondence & Circulars. None**

**18. Finance; To confirm the drawing of the following cheques;**

I. Cheque No: 425 to Palace Printers for £18.00

II. Cheque No: 426 to the Clerk for salary and expenses for £108.60 + £20.00 = £128.60

The above cheques were proposed by DB and seconded by JS with all in favour.

**19. To approve the income and expenditure against the cash book to be signed by the chair. This report was sent by email. KP confirmed we are within our set budget.**

**20. To approve the opening of a separate linked bank account for Grant Funding. – Ongoing**

**21. Any Other Business. DB reported the road between Ethy Barton and the top of Ethy Hill was in a state after the cleaning out of sheds, there were no signs to say mud on the road. The responsible farmer should organise a road cleaner, or report to highways on 03001234222**

**JS requested we add an agenda item on fundraising for the toilets and carpark in St Veep.**

**JS reported a tree down in the River. KP to report to FHC.**

**22. Next Meeting: Tuesday 6th April on ZOOM**