

MINUTES OF STOKE CLIMSLAND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 19th December 2011 COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM IN PARISH HALL

PRESENT: D PARSONS (CHAIRMAN), S CAZALY, M COX, C DAVEY, S TUDOR, S WEST, J WILMUT, P BARRIBALL, C VULLIAMY,

IN ATTENDANCE: L POWER – CLERK TO THE COUNCIL:
6 MEMBERS OF PUBLIC
N BURDEN (COUNTY COUNCILLOR)

SC 12/11/1 Apologies: All Present

SC 12/11/2 Declaration of Interest:

PERSONAL: S Tudor for Sc12/11/7b

FINANCIAL: None

SC 12/11/3 Public Session:

There were some questions relating to the preceding presentation of members of Cornwall Council's Affordable Housing Department. It was suggested that it is unsatisfactory that details of any discussions about potential developments are confidential and that the parish council should insist that it is kept informed of potential sites. It was stated that there is a site being worked on at present and it is possible that planning will be so far ahead that it will be difficult to have any input into the plans. There is also the problem that at present 'buy to let' housing is not really affordable. The Parish Council was asked if there was a Parish Plan. The last Parish Plan was published in 2003 and the Parish Council has started work on developing a new one. There was a query about village being red-lined to prevent development outside the line and it was pointed out that affordable housing is outside the red line. Stoke Climsland is one of the development villages in the Launceston area. A question was asked about the application of Section 106 conditions on housing developments. These are specific to each development but the meeting was informed that a Section 106 put on a development to restrict the numbers of houses for general release can get amended without reference to the Parish Council.

SC12/11/4 Minutes of meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting were amended. It was proposed by J Wilmut and seconded by S Tudor that the minutes should be signed. This was approved unanimously and the minutes were signed as being a true record of that meeting.

SC 12/11/5 Matters Arising:

- a) Precept for 2012/2013: The amended budget was presented. There followed a discussion about the proposed budget. Items which need to be included next year are the funding for the revision of the Parish Plan and a possible increase in the Clerk's salary. It was proposed by S Cazaly and seconded by P Barriball that we should request £14840 as a precept for next year. All agreed. The clerk will send the appropriate paperwork to Cornwall Council.
- b) Revision of Standing orders: The Chairman thanked S Cazaly, M Cox, S Tudor and S West for their work on updating the Standing Orders. S West stated that the proposed Standing orders had been drawn from the original Standing Orders and the Model Standing Orders provided by CALC. There followed a discussion about the proposed changes. These were accepted with the exception of the Code of Conduct Section, para 19, which will be reviewed when more information is available from Cornwall Council, as will that section referring to the Power of Wellbeing. It was proposed by S West and seconded by S Cazaly that the existing Standard Orders should be followed for the

time being. Any specific items which need further amendments should be put onto the agenda for discussion. The draft should be adopted at the AGM. This proposal was accepted by all.

SC 12/11/6 Planning:

Cornwall Council list of Application;

PA12/09490: Ms S Coxsey; Kit Hill Great Consols Mine, Kit Hill Road, Monks Cross, Callington: Replacement of existing 300mm transmission dish at 23m with a new transmission dish of 600mm at the same height. It was proposed by C Davey and seconded by J Wilmut that the Parish Council recommend approval. All agreed.

PA12/09707 Mr and Mrs Jewel; Braemar, Downgate, Callington: Construction of rear conservatory. It was proposed by S Cazaly and seconded by P Barriball that this was approved. All agreed.

PA11/09704: Mr A Glassborough; Byneleigh, Greenscombe Lane, Lucket, PL17 8LE: Removal of Oak tree on wall and trim by 20% (on North side) one Oak on stream bank within conservation area. It was proposed by J Wilmut and seconded by M Cox that the Parish Council recommend approval. In a vote 8 agreed with 1 abstention.

Refusals, Approvals and Appeals:

PA12/08155 Mr Jerry Wright, Lower Norton Farm Treburley Launceston: Erection of metal clad workshop (retention of structure) for the storage of agricultural equipment: REFUSED.

SC 12/11/7 Items for Report and Discussion:

- a) Cornwall Councillor: Cllr Burden raised a query about Yurts on Kit Hill. He has had a complaint that they are being used as residential dwellings but there is no planning permission for them.
- Under the Localism Bill a Parish Plan will not be used as a planning document. Planning issues must be dealt with in a Neighbourhood Plan.
 - The Incinerator plan for the County has been set back by recent developments and it will take months to make a new plan.
 - There have been concerns that the least used roads are not being repaired.
 - Members of the public do not need to register with a Dentist, just become a regular customer. If anyone doesn't have a dentist they can use the emergency service which is reasonably priced.
 - There will be a 2 1/2% rise in Council Tax but there has been no decision on how it will be paid: by Government, the County Council or by individuals.
 - Cory Environmental Municipal Services have won the Cornwall Council Waste contract.
 - At the last Safeguarding for Children Inspection, the inspector was impressed with the new Cornwall Council system and how it has turned the service around. There is likely to be an inspection from Ofsted in the near future.
 - There have been changes in the Council, with some Heads of Services and a Director leaving.
 - Councillor Burden suggested that the clerk contact Highways about when the Lucket speed sign will be erected.
- b) Adoption of Kyl Cober Parc: The clerk contacted S Ewing about the adoption of Kyl Cober Parc. He stated that Cormac have some finishing work to do then the adoption will go ahead. It was suggested that the clerk contact Mr A Hooper, Head of Service, questioning why it has taken so long and seek an explanation.
- c) Dangerous Tree: The clerk has written again to Mr Bruna. M Cox will check to see if the tree has been removed. If it has not it will be discussed at the next meeting.

- d) Traffic Problems: The clerk has spoken to Mr Collison from the Police, Ms Dickson from Highways and Ms Thomas from Sustainable Transport inviting them to attend. The date of the meeting is 17th January at 7.30pm and will be held in the Parish Hall. Posters will be put up to advertise the meeting.
- e) Salt Bins at Bealsmill: 2 Dumpy Bags are to be held at Doidge Farm in Tutwell, to be distributed as necessary. The clerk has asked why the bin was removed from outside the school and Oliver Jones is to follow that up. He also thinks that there is a salt bin at Bealsmill, on the Rezare side and he will check that.
- f) Diamond Jubilee: There was a discussion about how to celebrate this. It has been suggested that Jubilee woodland should be planted. J Wilmot had some information from the Woodland Trust which had been circulated to the Parish councillors. There followed a discussion of potential sites and the problems of on-going maintenance. The Duchy of Cornwall and the Duchy College would be approached about possible sites. D Parsons agreed to contact them. There had been talk of restoring a Georgian Park in the Duchy College grounds but this has never been followed up. It was also suggested that we contact the Cornwall Wildlife Trust about planting and management. The clerk will contact them about the proposals. If no suitable sites can be found or if management would prove too difficult a single tree planted on the Village Green may be a possibility. The closing date for obtaining trees from the Woodland Trust for planting in November 2012 is October 15th 2012 so we would have time to consider the options and engage the community. It was suggested that we also contact the Duchy College about maintaining other important woodland in the Parish.
- g) Vacancy on Parish Council: The clerk has written to Mr Croxford about the readvertising of the Parish Councillor Vacancy. It was agreed that the vacancy notice will go up at the end of January and candidates to be considered at the February meeting.
- h) Proposed Poultry Unit: It is agreed that there will be an on-site meeting with Mr Hatch at Kelly Bray on 11th February at 10am. Information about a Flood Risk assessment of the site has been received by the Parish Council. It was noted that there was no mention of the risk of run-off to areas below the site. Also, a change to the planting scheme has been received, and the North side is to have mixed planting rather than Oak Trees. Concern was expressed about the detailed planning information the Parish Council was receiving. D Parsons stated that this was at the pre-planning stage and the County Council was trying to iron out any major issues. The information is coming to the Parish Council and any member can give feedback to Mr Hatch, but local people cannot respond formally as there is no formal plan as yet. It was felt that there could be a problem in that the inference would be that the Parish Council had agreed to the proposed plans and these will go through without proper consultation. There are other issues which have not been address such as the fact that the existing landscape is of benefit to local people and that the site is on a ridge, on top of a pre-historic route way from the Tamar Valley and a possible Civil War Burial site. There are also issues with traffic and security on the site. P Barringall and D Parsons did not agree to any of the plans when they attended the first meeting with Mr Hatch. It was pointed out that although the Village knew of the plans they had no formal input. One way to deal with this is to ask that no more information should be sent to the Parish council and we should cancel the site meeting. The problem then would be that we would only have 10 working days to look at the plans when they finally arrived. The alternative is to continue receiving the information but to make it clear to Mr Hatch that any ideas from the Parish Council should not be construed as the main view of the Parish and the council would not be constrained when making a final decision when the formal plans arrive. It was agreed that the second option will be followed and this point would be put to Mr Hatch and posted on the web site.
- i) Community Plan: Several members of the Parish Council have been meeting about the Community Plan. The intention is to have a Public Meeting at the end of February or beginning of March with various Community Groups. Information about this will go in The Old School News in January and the Community Groups will be contacted
- j) Ducklings Playgroup: There has been information received from Sarah Richardson that the Ducklings Playgroup may have to move if the Methodist Chapel were to close. They want to have some contingency plans in

place if this happens. One idea is to move to the primary School site. It was pointed out that there would be an increased problem with traffic if this were to happen. Sarah, and Ducklings, have been asked to keep the Parish Council informed of any developments.

k) Neighbourhood Planning Regulations Consultation: Most of this consultation is not applicable to the Parish Council. D Parsons will complete those parts of the consultation that are relevant and return it on behalf of the Parish Council.

l) Caradon Community Network Panel Meeting 28th November 2011: A verbal report of the meeting was given by D Parsons and S West.

m) Infrastructure Schedule: There is no need to follow this up as it will be superseded by the Core Strategy due to be published later this year.

SC 12/11/8 Highways and Maintenance:

- There are no drains on the road to Polhilsa and road has been flooded.
- The drains on the road down Stoke Hill have been blocked and the water is running down the hill.
- A pothole is forming at the top of New Cross Hill.
- On the road to Wooda Bridge, at Lower Norton Farm and new fence has been erected outside the hedge. It appears that loose stones are being dropped between the hedge and the fence. Trees in the hedge have been cut back. It was questioned whether such work so close to the highways was allowed.

SC 12/11/9 Correspondence

A Christmas card has been received from Dan Rogerson MP

SC 12/11/12 Finance

Payments: Cheques totalling £293.80 were written for Clerks wages and rental for the Playground at Downgate.

Receipts: Interest: £0.02, VAT return £336.35

SC 12/11/11 Items for Agenda

- a) To discuss and agree Parish Council's position on Affordable Housing
- b) To discuss grants for Downhouse Churchyard, Bray Shop Chapel, SC Methodist Chapel, Lockett Memorial Garden, and Stoke Climsland Churchyard.
- c) To receive updated information on adoption of Kyl Cober Parc
- d) To receive updated information of speed signs at Lockett

SC 12/11/12 Date and Time of Next Meeting: 16th January 2012 at 7.30pm Parish Hall.

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