

# Stoke Climsland Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2009 IN THE PARISH HALL, STOKE CLIMSLAND, COMMENCING AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: P Barriball - Chairman, D Parsons - Vice-Chairman, Councillors M Cox, S Cazaly, C Vulliamy, M Joll, S Howard

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL: Vicky Tattersall

35 Members of the public

David Short - proposed CLT

The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting and gave a brief background for the reasons why the public meeting has been called.

The Chairman passed the meeting over to David Short for an update from the proposed CLT. David Short discussed the emails and correspondence that he has received from Cornwall Council regarding the Housing Needs Survey.

The clerk reported on the advise given by Cornwall Association Local Councils regarding what course of action to take regarding this matter.

M Cox gave an overview of the emails and correspondence that he has received regarding this matter.

The Chairman opened the meeting to members of the public present for comment and discussion. The letter from Callington TC regarding their request for a Moratorium on any future large scale housing development in Callington and the surrounding parishes. There is concern about the pressure that any future house building will place on an already saturated infra-structure.

Following a lengthy discussion the following observations were noted:-

1. The survey that has been circulated is non-transparent, due process and democracy has not been followed and is fundamentally wrong.
2. The parish council has at no point been made aware of the withdrawal of its own survey in favour of the survey produced by an external consultant. It has not agreed to put its name to this survey.
3. This action by Cornwall Council goes against the Localism and Partnering Agendas.
4. The hard work put in to produce the survey was noted. It was agreed that the action by Cornwall Council is an insult to the time and effort put in by the parish council who are volunteers.
5. The survey's that have been circulated are not numbered and therefore open to duplication. Reassurance needs to be sought from Cornwall Council that the results of the survey will therefore be biased
6. A general discussion took place regarding the financing of the survey.

The chairman put the meeting to a vote as to the support for the survey that has been circulated in the Parish. 30 members of the public voted in support of this. 5 members of the public voted to support the survey in its current format.

It was agreed the clerk would write to Steve Cramner with an official complaint about the conduct of Cornwall Council relating to this matter.

Lance Kennedy - Member for Supporting Communities

Councillor Neil Burden

It was agreed that a copy of the parish councils survey would be put on the parish councils website

Contact details for Steve Cramner and Lance Kennedy to be placed on the website and parish notice boards.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm