

# WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday July 16, 2012 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

**Present:**

Cllr Mrs C.Lay	Cllr C.Mitchell
Cllr Mrs M.Warren	Cllr Mrs D.Mitchell
Cllr N.van den Berg	Cllr Mrs M.Warren
Cllr G.Gibson	
Cllr R.Maddern	C.F.P.Chapman (Clerk)

**Visitors:** CCllr Dr Jenkin and Mr M.Allman (Enfinity).

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the July meeting.

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr P.Davidson, Cllr Mrs S.Moyle, Cllr A.Tremayne and PCSO Sadler all sent their apologies for absence.

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS

Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, Cllr Maddern being absent from the last meeting abstained, all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday June 11, 2012 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

## 3 MATTERS ARISING AND NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE IN THIS AGENDA

There were no matters arising which were not covered elsewhere on this agenda.

## 4 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that the recent and sudden death of CCllr Pam Lyne had come as a great shock to all within Cornwall Council. She had worked tirelessly both for her area and for the County for many years.

Since the last meeting she has

- met with highways, planning and enforcement officers about issues within the parish and has been approached by some of the residents of Trinity Praze about a play area and play equipment
- had no issues relating to the collection of household waste within the Parish reported to her during the course of the month. She noted, however, that there are still issues with the delivery of recycling bags and green waste containers
- attended the fourth Helston Framework meeting which had looked at potential housing sites within the framework plan – one of which lies within the Parish of Wendron
- attended the Annual Council meeting at which the new standards regime and governance review was considered
- sat on the Discretionary Rates Review working group. This body is looking at standardising guidance across Cornwall and perhaps reducing the amount allowed for certain categories
- been involved in discussions about the three sites (Hayle, Redruth and St Austell) that are currently being assessed for the proposed new Cornwall Archive Centre
- attended two presentations relating to the Green Infrastructure Strategy – this represents an opportunity to develop mapping of valuable natural sites (green – earth, blue – water and yellow – coast) and to consider

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how they might be connected to ensure viable ecosystems. The findings will feed into the Core Strategy process. The initial focus is on towns but some funding has recently been obtained to assist other communities

- been investigating the best way to ensure that historic structures (e.g. the leats and stones and rails structure at Coverack Bridges) can be maintained and protected within the current Council regime
- looked at traffic management within Lowertown where some improved signage has been provided.

It was noted that a new weekday bus service began on July 2 connecting Helston with Coverack Bridges, Trannack and Lowertown. It replaces the former dial-a-ride service.

## 5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Allman stated that he was present to seek Wendron Parish Council's support for the planning application (PA12/04124) for a solar farm at Little Trevease. Explaining the circumstances behind the application, he said that

- the site had been extensively surveyed some two years ago with a view to installing a solar park at that time
- a public consultation event held on February 2, 2011 at Edgcumbe Methodist Church had been poorly attended and had attracted just 14 responses. This had been despite letters being sent to near neighbours
- Feed in Tariff funding had altered shortly after this event and had made the project economically unviable
- however, the cost of equipment has now significantly decreased and the project is again economically viable
- the landowner is keen for the project to go ahead
- the site has a number of advantages, not least its proximity to the electricity sub-station
- its visual impact on the surrounding countryside is limited
- access to the site is straightforward
- local disruption while construction is taking place will be limited.

Considerable discussion followed, particularly concerning the non-planning related issue of a year-on-year community benefit.

## 6 POLICE REPORT

Through the Clerk, PCSO Sadler reported that nine crimes (two burglaries, a theft, an assault, criminal damage fraud, false representation, possession of a bladed article in a public place and production of cannabis) were reported to the Police in June 2012.

## 7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

### The co-option of Parish Councillors

The Clerk reported that he had received no further expressions of interest in standing for co-option as a Parish Councillor.

### The Code of Conduct

Having now had the opportunity to consider the paperwork, Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, and it was agreed formally to adopt the Interim Code of Conduct. This follows on from the decision made on June 11 and recorded on page 1502 Agenda Item 11 to agree in principle to adopt the Interim Code of Conduct prepared and published by Cornwall Council.

## 8 FINANCE

The Clerk presented Councillors with a statement of Wendron Parish Council's financial position as at July 16, 2012. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

	<b>GROSS</b>	<b>NET</b>	<b>VAT</b>
R.Sanders			
PROWs: 90, 92, 168, 169, 171, 185,	£ 330.40		
Tony Mogford Associates Ltd (Play Area inspection)	£ 180.00	£ 150.00	£ 30.00
Jeff Meadows (website hosting)	£ 150.00		
Eric and Jeff Bray	£ 144.00	£ 120.00	£ 24.00
R.Sanders			
Churchyard and graveyard (17/05)	£ 180.00		
Churchyard (29/05)	£ 57.50		
total	£ 237.50		

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Colin Chapman	
Salary (May)	£ 563.66
telephone	£ 14.55
office expenses	£ 42.56
travelling	£ 40.95
use of home	£ 25.00
	total £ 686.72

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Lay, seconded by Cllr Gibson, all others in favour that the above six accounts should be paid.

The following account was also presented for payment:

*Cllr Mitchell declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that the following account was submitted by Gareth Mitchell, his son. He left the room.*

		GROSS	NET	VAT
Gareth Mitchell				
Cutting grass 01/06	£ 100.00			
Strim bus shelters	£ 24.00			
Cutting grass 13/06	£ 100.00			
		total	£ 224.00	

Proposed by Cllr Mrs Lay, seconded by Cllr Mitchell all others in favour that the above account be paid.

*Cllr Mitchell returned to the room.*

The following receipts were noted:

Mug donation	£ 10.00
I.D.Perry donation towards minutes	£ 10.00
Interest paid by Santander	£ 25.97

**9 PLANNING**

**Applications**

PA12/04124 Butteriss Downs Ltd is proposing to develop a 5 Mega Watt peak (MWp) known as ‘Little Trevease Solar Park’ (the ‘project’). The project will be on agricultural grazing land at Butteriss Downs, south of the A394, approximately 3.5km north of Constantine and 6km west of Falmouth, at NGR: SW721316 – Little Trevease, Trevease. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr van den Berg seconded, Cllr Gibson, Cllr Maddern and Cllr Mitchell abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council is minded to support this application in principle. However, the Council reserves the right to comment additionally following further discussion between it and the applicant.*

PA12/04166 Mr and Mrs R Todd – Conversion of existing garage with additional extension to form a self contained granny annex – Wheal Betty, Trevenen Bal. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, Cllr Gibson and Cllr Maddern abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application with the proviso that use of the proposed self-contained annexe is ancillary to the use of the house and that proper regard is paid to the findings of the radon consultation.*

PA12/04567 Mr Tim Land – Alterations to dwelling including raising of ridge and replacement of rear extension – Bodilly Vean, Trenear. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded, Cllr Gibson and Cllr Maddern abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA12/04861 Mr Neil Mundy – Conversion of redundant stable building to form holiday let and associated works – The Coach House, Trenethick Manor Farm, Trenethick Barton. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application with the proviso that the applicant follows advice from the Planning Authority concerning the type and use of materials.*

PA12/04862 Mr Neil Mundy – Conversion of redundant stable building to form holiday let and associated works – Trenethick Barton, Redruth Road. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council*

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*supports this application with the proviso that the applicant follows advice from the Planning Authority concerning the type and use of materials.*

PA12/05391 Mr P.Edwards – The existing dwelling has a porch to the front elevation and a conservatory to the rear for which we would like a lawful development certificate – Gardenia, Carnkie. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council can confirm that the work described in this application was substantially completed in early 2011. It is unaware of any reasons why a Lawful Development Certificate should not be issued.*

PA12/05563 Mr and Mrs D Reskelly – Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of dwelling – Viscar Bungalow, Underlane. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA12/05573 Mr D Hutchings – Erection of agricultural implement store – Polgear Barn, Forest, Four Lanes. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application with the proviso that proper provision for rain-water run-off is in place.*

PA12/05741 Mr John George – Erection of an agricultural barn – Mengearne Farm (Barn B), Laity. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA12/05778 Mr Martin Thomson – Erection of a first floor extension to existing link and formation of a new roof and extension to the rear of the main dwelling – Ingledene, Edgcumbe. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA12/05982 R Fawcett – Removal of flat felt roof and replace with new pitched roof – The Haven, 12 Rame Terrace, Rame Cross. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA12/06187 Mr Andrew Scott – Paint external window frames and doors – Lower Boscadjack Farm, Trenear. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, Cllr Gibson abstaining, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application with the proviso that the Conservation Officer approves the colour.*

### **Decisions**

PA11/10118 APPROVED (Retention of single storey self-contained annexe building and domestic garage/store) – Lower Viscar Farm, Porkellis – *noted*

PA12/01403 APPROVED (Removal of Condition 3 attached to 2/25/88/00211/F) – Lower Boswin Farm, Porkellis – *noted*

PA12/01684/PREAPP Closed – advice given/app submitted (Erection of a porch and conservatory extension) – Gardenia, Carnkie – *noted*

PA12/01939 Screening Opinion – EIA Required (Screening Opinion for the erection of 10 wind turbines) – Land at Butteriss Farm, Edgcumbe – *noted*

PA12/01953 APPROVED (Conversion of two redundant farm building to form two dwellings. Provision of new sewage treatment plant. Alterations/improvements to existing highway junction. Provision of car parking area and pedestrian access to existing holy well) – Trelill Farm, Trelill, Helston – *noted*

PA12/02414 APPROVED Construction of new showroom, offices and store. Change of use of garden land and existing office and showroom to ancillary residential use for Mallow Court. Retention of existing store building for additional storage for Wendron Stoves – Wendron Woodstoves, Mallow Court, Wendron – *noted*

PA12/03248 APPROVED (Demolition existing extension and aviary, erection of replacement extension and replacement of lower section of roof, reinstatement of rear window and internal alterations) – The Smithy, Trenear – *noted*

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PA12/03248 APPROVED (Demolition existing extension and aviary, erection of replacement extension and replacement of lower section of roof, reinstatement of rear window and internal alterations) – The Smithy, Trenear – *noted*

PA12/03577 APPROVED (Change of use and conversion of former Methodist Chapel to single dwelling) – Porkellis Methodist Chapel, Chapel Hill, Porkellis – *noted*

PA12/03582 APPROVED (Listed Building application for the conversion of former Methodist Chapel to single dwelling) – Porkellis Methodist Chapel, Chapel Hill, Porkellis – *noted*

PA12/04029 APPROVED (Change of use and conversion of agricultural barn to dwelling (amended design)) – Retanna House, Retanna, Penryn – *noted*

PA12/05438 Prior approval not req'd (AF/TEL/DEM) (Prior notification of construction of agricultural building) – Mengearne Farm, Laity – *noted*

**Correspondence**

**Cornwall Council** notification that PA12/04380 Installation of a single 55kW wind turbine, access and associated works at Little Viscar, Carnkie will be decided by the Planning Committee on July 18, 2012 at 7.00pm in the Council Offices, Dolcoath Road – *noted*

**Copy** of a letter concerning alleged planning infringement at Egina, Carnkie – *noted*

**10 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE**

**Correspondence**

**Clerks and Councils Direct** newsletter – *noted*

**Julie Girling MEP** posters for notice-boards – *noted*

**Mr Paul Copner** concerning the circular route around Stithians Lake – *noted*

**CC Electoral Review Panel Draft Recommendations** – *noted*

**11 CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS**

The Chairman asked members to make every effort to attend the informal planning meetings which are held on the first Monday of the month. She stated that there have been complaints about parking at Wendron School particularly when the Play Group meets and the Clerk was asked to write to the Headmaster about the matter. Finally, she reported that, as Chairman, she has been invited to present the prizes at this year’s Trewennack Show, an invitation which she has accepted.

**12 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AND INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS**

No matters for inclusion at future meetings were tabled.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday August 13, 2012 at 7.30pm in Burras Community Hall.

Signed ..... Chairman

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