

# WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday March 13, 2023 at 7:30pm in Penmarth Methodist Schoolroom.

**Present:** Cllr Mrs S.Moyle (Chairman) Cllr T.Law  
Cllr Mrs B.Borman Cllr G.Looker  
Cllr R.Durkin  
Cllr Mrs K.Hampton Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors to the meeting: CCllr Dr Jenkin, Mr Green and Mrs McShane.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the March meeting.

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Ferris sent apologies for his absence.

## 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

### in items on the agenda

Cllr Looker declared a personal interest in PA23/01149 (agenda item 10).

### of gifts (received as a result of being a member of the Council) of a value greater than £50

There were no declarations of gifts of a value greater than £50.

## 3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Cllr Durkin proposed, Cllr Mrs Borman seconded and it was agreed that the minutes of the Meeting held on February 13, 2023 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

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

There were no matters arising.

## 5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that

- the Alternative Fuel Payment for residents living off the gas grid is now being paid as a credit on their electricity bills
- she had attended a recent coffee morning in Penmarth and had fielded both a number of grumbles about the speed of traffic passing through the village and a suggestion that removable bollards might be deployed whenever there is an event being held in the village. PCSO Julia Berry had also been present at the coffee morning: she had agreed that through traffic as a whole is going too quickly and undertook to ask for a police speed monitoring unit to attend
- she wondered quite what was happening about the path along the causeway. The Clerk undertook to contact Rupert Spencer about this
- the 20's Plenty scheme is slowly being rolled out across Cornwall: it is scheduled to reach the parish of Wendron in 2025 at the earliest
- the decision concerning the parish boundary between the Park an Daras estate and Helston has been made and is to maintain the status quo
- an on-line Leats Meeting, attended solely by Cornwall Councillors, had noted that Parish Representatives need to be involved again, that Brian Skinner is now leading the initiative and that volunteers need to be co-ordinated under the umbrella of the Cormac Volunteer Scheme.

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**6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

As the applicants’ agent, Mr Green sought the Council’s support for PA23/01239 stating that his clients simply sought permission to continue with the development without compliance with condition 9 (PA11/03413) which requires development to be carried out in accordance with the submitted plans.

Mrs McShane stated that she sought support for her and her husband’s application PA23/01673. She criticised comments made by individual councillors concerning this application at last month’s meeting, but added that, in line with what had been suggested at that meeting, the submitted plan now shows the pump box on the other side of the property and away from neighbours fronting the road.

**7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS**

**Co-option of members**

The Clerk reported that no further expressions of interest in co-option as a Parish Councillor have been received.

**8 PARISH MATTERS**

**Publicity**

Cllr Durkin reported that, in the last month, four new FaceBook posts had attracted 331 views, the most popular being an advertisement for special constables.

**The Neighbourhood Development Plan**

The Clerk reported that, as requested, he had contacted Carn Brea Parish Council concerning the employment of a paid Neighbourhood Development Plan consultant. He understood that Carn Brea had employed Mr Besford-Foster to compile its Neighbourhood Development Plan. He had contacted Mr Besford-Foster to enquire whether or not he would be interested in doing the same for Wendron and Mr Besford-Foster has indicated that he is. Cllr Mrs Borman undertook to liaise with Cllr Ferris and to contact Mr Besford-Foster.

**Public Rights of Way**

Members considered an invitation from Cornwall Council to continue with the Local Maintenance Partnership scheme. The grant offered for the year to March 31, 2022 is £7,074.00 (or 100% of eligible costs, whichever is the lower). Cllr Durkin proposed, Cllr Law seconded and it was agreed that Wendron Parish Council should accept Cornwall Council’s invitation to renew partnership working.

It was noted that PROW 157 which passes Tyack’s Shaft is very wet. The Clerk undertook to contact the National Trust with a view to some maintenance work being undertaken.

**Park an Daras**

Members considered a proposal from a resident (who is concerned about waste littering the Park an Daras estate and, in particular, inconsiderate dog-walkers) to site a waste bin within the estate in an attempt to alleviate the problem. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Law seconded and it was agreed to contact the resident with a view to identifying a suitable spot and to underwrite the cost of a new bin, its siting and subsequent related collection costs.

**The Coronation of HM King Charles III (Saturday May 6, 2023)**

The Clerk reported that he has taken delivery of 216 commemorative mugs from Chown China for presentation to children currently attending Wendron and Halwin Schools together with primary-school aged children being educated at home as a way of celebrating the occasion of the coronation of HM King Charles III.

Members noted that Porkellis Church will be hosting a Big Lunch

**9 FINANCE**

Members were presented with a statement of Wendron Parish Council’s financial position as at March 13, 2023. 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>
HMRC	£ 1,217.47		
South West Playground Safety Inspections	£ 36.00	£ 30.00	£ 6.00
WEL Medical Ltd (replacement battery Penmarth)	£ 192.00	£ 160.00	£ 32.00
R.Sanders			
Cemeteries	£ 240.00		
Trelill Well	£ 40.00		
Grass	£ 175.00		
Boundary stones	£ 70.00		
total	£ 630.00	£ 525.00	£105.00

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South West Playground Safety Inspections	£ 168.00	£ 30.00	£ 6.00
Colin Chapman			
salary (February)	£ 1,208.66		
telephone	£ 29.83		
office expenses	£ 40.38		
travelling	£ 48.10		
use of home	£ 25.00		
	total	£ 1,351.97	

It was proposed by Cllr Law, seconded by Cllr Looker and agreed that the above six accounts should be paid.

Members noted the following receipt

Mrs Blackman (Walks Booklet)	£ 5.00
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## 10 PLANNING

### To consider observations concerning the following planning applications

PA22/10481 Professor T.Knowles – Construction of a single storey agricultural steel framed building – land North of Trussall Farm, Wendron. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Durkin seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA22/10775 Mr M.Biggins – Extension of existing garage to provide parking space and storage to ground floor and accommodation over to create an extra bedroom with kitchen and bathroom facilities (occupancy only by family and non-paying guests) – Viscar Lodge, Carnkie. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Mrs Borman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA23/00928 Mr and Mrs Davey – Conversion of ruin to two storey dwelling – Heskenna, Wheal Rock, Porkellis. Cllr Durkin proposed, Cllr Law seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA23/00990 Mr W.Quinton – New detached garage – Central Villa, Carnmenellis. Cllr Durkin proposed, Cllr Mrs Borman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA23/01009 Miss L.Williams – Proposed affordable 'local needs' dwelling, new vehicular access and associated external works and landscaping – land South East of Trealyian, Wendron. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Durkin seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

*Having declared a personal interest in the following application, Cllr Looker left the room.*

PA23/01149 Mr B.Cowl – The conversion of two former agricultural barns to residential dwellings – Gwel Grenvers, Redruth Road, Wendron. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Mrs Borman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

*Cllr Looker returned to the room.*

PA23/01239 Mr and Mrs Lobb – Extension of time application for the erection of a detached pool house without compliance with condition 9 of decision notice PA11/03413 dated 23/06/2011 – Greenacres, Trevenen Bal. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Mrs Borman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA23/01383 Mr R.Young – Proposed demolition of redundant buildings and erection of 2 new dwellings on same footprint – Boquoio Farmhouse, Farms Common. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Durkin seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA23/01385 Mr Watters Fine Homes Ltd – Construction of 2 no. residential dwellings and associated development without compliance with condition 2 in relation to decision notice PA21/00134 dated 15.07.2021 – land adj. to The Vicarage, Wendron. Cllr Looker proposed, Cllr Durkin seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA23/01673 Mr & Mrs Routley & McShane – Proposed retention and completion of swimming pool and associated works – Tree House, Penmarth. Cllr Durkin proposed, Cllr Looker seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

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**Member noted receipt of the following planning application decisions**

PA21/10048 REFUSED – Change of use to garden nursery including cafe also siting of storage containers used for holiday letting. Retrospective – Wendron Plant Nursery, Redruth Road

PA22/04647 APPROVED – Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling and replacement of existing outbuilding – Menherion House – *noted*

PA22/04648 APROVED – Listed building consent for alterations and extensions to existing dwelling and replacement of existing outbuilding – Menherion House – *noted*

PA22/05956 REFUSED – Change of use to camping, erection of reception plus toilet/shower block, access improvements, laying of aggregate hard standing without compliance with Condition 5 of decision notice PA21/08492 dated 17/05/2022 – Boquio Vean, Crelly – *noted*

PA22/10486 APPROVED – Erection of a stable building and construction of a sand-school – Lower Crahan Farm, Crahan – *noted*

PA22/10847 APPROVED – First floor extension to provide home office and cladding to first floor exterior – Moorview, Helston Road, Porkellis – *noted*

PA22/10981 APPROVED – Construction of a new dwelling and associated works – 3 Chapel Terrace, Edgumbe – *noted*

PA22/11225 APPROVED – Proposed refurbishment and side extension to Orchard Lawn Cottage, Replacement outbuilding to the North – Orchard Lawn Cottage. Lower Porkellis – *noted*

**11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE**

**Correspondence**

**CC 2023 Off-Street Parking Order** – invitation to comment on the proposals – *the Council understands that it is a difficult act to balance the requirements to raise revenue and to encourage greater use of public transport against the penalising of rural residents and the risk to shops in town centres of fewer customers, but that it believes that the proposals are too broad brush in nature.*

**12 CHAIRMAN’S AND COUNCILLORS’ COMMENTS**

Cllr Looker reported that during the course of a conversation with a resident of the Parish, he had undertaken to raise the question of how ‘community’ is defined in respect to the community benefit monies that will be distributed in connection with the geothermal project at Manhay. The Clerk was asked to follow the matter through with Cornwall Council and to request Wendron Parish Council’s direct involvement in any definition of community.

Following the Clerk’s stated announcement that he wishes to retire in September, it was agreed to hold a closed meeting starting at 7.00pm on April 17 to consider the preparation of an appropriate job description

**13 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS**

Other than the items already noted, no matters for inclusion at future meetings were tabled.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday April 17, 2023 at 7:30pm in **Penmarth Methodist Schoolroom**

Signed ..... Chairman

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