

**MEETING No.1351**  
**Minutes of the full Parish Council Meeting of Feock Parish Council held on Monday**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 at 6pm**  
**at the Parish Council Office, Market Street, Devoran, TR3 6QA at 6pm**

Members present: Cllr Richard Brickell, Chair, Feock Ward  
Cllr Anne Allen, Devoran Ward  
Cllr Cathy Kemp, Carnon Downs Ward  
Cllr Phil Allen, Carnon Downs Ward  
Cllr Brian Yates, Carnon Downs Ward  
Cllr Rick Bowers, Feock Ward  
Cllr Beverly Johnson, Feock Ward  
Cllr Corine Dyke, Feock Ward  
Cllr Jan Allen, Carnon Downs Ward

In attendance: Cornwall Cllr Martyn Alvey  
Debbie Searle, Assistant Parish Clerk

Public present: Mr Rob Holmes, Point Quay Association  
Mr M Randle  
Mr James Lea

**1. INTRODUCTION**

The Chairman welcomes those present and reminded attendees of the Civility & Respect Pledge.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Hambly-Staite.

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr A Allen proposed that the minutes of the full Parish Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024, be signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Dyke and carried by the meeting.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

**5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr James Lea spoke in support of his planning applications PA24/04742 and PA24/04753 providing some background information and giving details of the proposals. Cllr Brickell questioned why they were proposing to keep two separate properties. Mr Lea replied that this was as had been recommended by their Architects who had suggested two separate planning applications with one property having living space and the other having bedroom space.

**6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**SCHEDULE A applications**

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr Kemp proposed the consultee comments for the applications listed below as stated. This was seconded by Cllr A Allen and carried by the meeting.

PA24/04776 (018) - 14 Trelawne Road Carnon Downs TR3 6HP

The Parish Council has no objection to this proposal subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that there will be no detrimental effect to the neighbouring property.

PA24/03133/4 (020) - Trevilla Grange Annexe Trevilla Road Feock TR3 6QG

The Parish Council note the comments of the Historic Environment Planning Officer and raise no objection to this proposal.

PA24/04849 (023) - Tregenza Greenbank Road Devoran TR3 6PQ

The Parish Council note that there has been no comment from neighbours regarding this proposal and has no objection to the application.

PA24/04877 (024) - Land adjacent to Westways Point Road Carnon Downs TR3 6JN

The Parish Council note that there has been no comment from neighbours regarding this proposal and has no objection to the application.

PA24/04439 (025) - Upalong Trolver Croft Feock TR3 6RT

The Parish Council has no objection subject to condition 5 of decision notice PA23/07643 being maintained in order that the garage shall only be used for purposes incidental to the enjoyment of the dwelling house.

PA24/04811 (026) - Malojo Restronguet Point Feock TR3 6RB

The Parish Council understand the need to remove the dead branches however asks for the Tree Officer's views regarding the need for the proposed works to tree B.

PA24/05124 (027) - Larkhill Kelliwith Feock TR3 6QZ

The Parish Council have no objection to the removal of the lower branch but questions the need for the higher branch and would ask for the Tree Officer's opinion.

PA24/05123 (028) – Oakwood 10 Kelliwith Feock TR3 6QZ

The Parish Council question the justification for the proposed works and asks for the comments of the Tree Officer.

#### **SCHEDULE B applications**

PA24/04742 (021) - 9 Carclew Terrace Devoran TR3 6PN

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr P Allen proposed the consultee comment for the application as: **The Parish Council, whilst having no objection in principle to this application, is minded that the property is sited with the Devoran Conservation Area and ask for a consultee comment from the Historic Environment Planning Officer.** This was seconded by Cllr A Allen and carried by the meeting.

PA24/04753 (022) - Lemon Cottage 21 Market Street Devoran TR3 6QA

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr P Allen proposed the consultee comment for the application as: **The Parish Council, whilst having no objection in principle to this application, is minded that the property is sited with the Devoran Conservation Area and ask for a consultee comment from the Historic Environment Planning Officer.** This was seconded by Cllr A Allen and carried by the meeting.

PA24/04690 (019) - Gwel An Dowr Feock TR3 6SG

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr Kemp proposed the consultee comment for the application as: **The Parish Council note that this site is located outside of the settlement boundary on a sensitive and critical settlement edge. We are satisfied that the materials proposed will help to mitigate the property in its surrounding however are concerned over the increase in height and therefore question whether the scale of the proposal (in regard to NDP policies D1 and LS2) is appropriate. We therefore ask the Planning Officer to assess this particularly in relation to any comments received from the AONB Officer and that the considerable concerns of the immediate neighbours are taken into account.** This was seconded by Cllr A Allen and carried by the meeting.

#### **SUBMITTED CONSULTEE COMMENTS**

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr P Allen proposed the following consultee comments submitted to Cornwall Council, as agreed via email between Committee members, since the last planning meeting be formally ratified. This was seconded by Cllr A Allen and carried by the meeting.

PA24/03966 (011) - Boxeater House Feock TR3 6QW

The Parish Council is happy to accept the professional advice of Cornwall Council's Tree Officer for this application.

PA24/03941 (012) - Trevannick House 9 Wellington Plantation Penelewey Feock TR3 6QP

The Parish Council is happy to accept the professional advice of Cornwall Council's Tree Officer for this application.

PA24/04082 (013) - Amberly Tremarne Close Feock TR3 6SB

The Parish Council is happy to accept the professional advice of Cornwall Council's Tree Officer for this application.

## 7. POINT ORCHARD

Cllr P Allen gave background information relating to the drainage of the properties above Point Orchard advising that it had been established that they drained into septic tanks within the orchard, and updated members on the current situation regarding the grey water that had overflowed.

Standing orders were suspended to allow discussion with Rob Holmes (RH) of the Point Quay Association (PQA).

Cllr Alvey advised that there were now rules that septic tanks and sewage treatment plants, either new or existing, must be registered with the Environment Agency (EA) to get a certificate of compliance. Existing systems have grandfather rights so if you have a soakaway you can continue to operate it, but it must be maintained.

Robust discussion followed regarding the most appropriate course of action.

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr P Allen proposed that the orchard is closed off until further notice. This was seconded by Cllr Allen and carried by the meeting.

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr C Kemp proposed that the Environment Agency and Environmental Health are informed of the situation. This was seconded by Cllr Johnson and carried by the meeting.

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr A Allen proposed that the property owner is asked to provide evidence of the emptying of the tank, provides assurance that the survey will take place and that a report can be received with a plan of immediate remedial action as soon as possible. Also, they are asked to provide a copy of the EA registration certificate for the septic tank. This was seconded Cllr Johnson carried by the meeting.

RH reported differing views within the PQA committee on orchard maintenance and its underuse. Discussions included future utilization and challenges due to differing opinions among members. Cllr Brickell questioned the PQA's commitment to retaining the orchard. RH indicated the many members of PQA would be pleased if the Parish wished to take over, as PQA funds are primarily generated from the regatta, and additional fundraising would be needed for maintenance.

Cllr P Allen, the Parish Council's representative on the PQA, mentioned not being notified of the recent meeting. Cllr Bowers inquired about the lease termination process, to which Cllr P Alem responded that lease modification could align with PQA's changing status. Cllr A Allen asked if the PQA had considered returning the lease to the Parish Council. RH confirmed they had not, prompting Cllr A Allen to question if the Parish Council would want the lease back for maintenance. Cllr Brickell asserted that the Parish Council would prefer to control the facility for better utilization. Cllr D noted the Parish Council's initial query was about PQA's maintenance intentions.

The discussion concluded with RH stating that a further PQA meeting will be scheduled, inviting Cllr P Allen to discuss the maintenance situation with association members.

## 8. CLERK'S REPORT

The Assistant Clerk reported as follows:

- Coodes Solicitors have been engaged to register the common land at Penpol Pond.
- £500 grant applied for from Cllr Alvey's Community Chest Fund towards the cost of the benches at Dyson's field. The grant was awarded and £500 has been received.
- The benches for Dyson's field were purchased and installed in time for the opening event held on Saturday 13th July. The cycle rack has now also been received.
- The promotional banner was ordered and received and used at the opening event at Dyson's field.
- The stone protruding from the hedge at the bottom of Trolver Hill was reported to Cornwall Highways however they have determined that it is not an immediate safety hazard and does not require attention at the present time
- Traffic Management for Road Wardens training for the Parish Council's contractors is in the process of being arranged.
- The overgrown hedge/verge at the entrance to Devoran was reported to Cornwall Highways and has now been cut.

It was also reported that Coodes Solicitors had reported an increase in the hourly rate for the registration of the Common Land at Penpol Pond due to a staff change. Cllr P Allen stated that more evidence is needed to prove the Parish Council's management and maintenance of the land since 1970, such as the installation of a sign, safety inspection records, and meeting minutes.

Cllr Yates questioned the registration's objective, and Cllr A Allen suggested installing another sign and a bench at the pond. Cllr Bowers expressed concern about salt marsh encroachment, which Cllr P Allen did not acknowledge as an issue. Cllr Bowers also questioned the need to register Restronguet Point, prompting further discussion on the additional evidence required for Penpol Pond.

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr P Allen proposed that the Parish Council suspend the registration of Penpol Pond whilst seeking more information and transfer the registration work to registering the Restronguet Point land. This was seconded by Cllr Yates and carried by the meeting.

**ACTION:** To arrange a meeting with neighbours of Penpol Pond (a date in September to be proposed).

## 9. FINANCIAL SUMMARY AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Assistant Clerk provided members with a financial report and the accounts for payment list, together with a budget against actual costs to date report.

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr Kemp proposed the Council approved the list of accounts for payments as circulated. This was seconded by Cllr A Allen and carried by the meeting.

## 10. CORNWALL COUNCIL REPORT

Cornwall Cllr Martyn Alvey reported that the new MP for the area is Jayne Kirkham. Cllr Kemp questioned if she would be stepping down as a Cornwall Council and Cllr Alvey confirmed that she would. He reported that announcements regarding planning so far seem to be regarding planning policy and changes to building on the green belt and confirmed that there is no green belt in Cornwall. The wider issue being about housing targets which is mostly focused on parts of the home counties where there is no local plan in place. Cornwall has a sound local plan and are meeting the 5 year housing supply identified within that plan therefore there should not be any significant change to the planning process in the county. Although some wind turbine applications may come forward however there are some natural constraints on this. Cllr Yates questioned that the green belt may be re-classified. Cllr Alvey stated that Cornwall had nothing to reclassify but there might be changes regarding affordable housing and exception sites, but this again is focused in regard to meeting housing supply.

Cllr Dyke stated that work had been done on wind turbines and this area wasn't considered good for this. Cllr Brickell thanked Cllr Alvey for the £500 grant towards the furniture for Dyson's field.

#### **11. LOCAL WARD REPORTS**

Cllr Brickell read out a letter from Mrs Dyson thanking the Parish Council for accepting the field and to those who have worked to prepare the field. Cllr Brickell also thanked all that had been involved with the field. Cllr A Allen stated that Edwin Lanyon should be invited to the next Access and Amenities committee meeting to discuss the maintenance of the field and asked members to give some thought to how they would wish to see it managed.

#### **12. OUTSIDE BODIES**

Cllr Bowers reported that he had attended the recent meeting of the Roseland and Truro Community Area Partnership held on 9<sup>th</sup> July. He advised that the Net Zero Working Group had been renamed the Environment and Energy Group and would be led by John Carly and also that there is a Greater Cornwall Green Energy summit being held on the 6<sup>th</sup> September. The next meeting will be in September focusing on housing need and poverty. Cllr Brickell had also attended the meeting and stated that comments about Parish Council's promoting themselves had been made and he had advised them that the Feock Parish Council now had a promotional banner to be used at events.

#### **13. ROUNDABOUTS**

Cllr Bowers advised that he and Cllr P Allen had met with Peter Williams who wished to sponsor the Carnon Gate roundabout. He stated that the Parish Council would have to take the license for the roundabout for the sponsorship to proceed. It was confirmed that 3 signs could be installed, and it had been agreed that it would be general tidying up of the roundabout. Discussion followed in which Cllr P Allen stated that Peter Williams would pay for the signage, the administrative costs for establishing the license, the maintenance cost for the roundabout and would be happy to pay an additional donation to the council. It was recognised that the roundabout would not be dramatically changed but it was an opportunity to stabilise the roundabout.

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr J Allen proposed that the Parish Council take on responsibility for the Carnon Gate roundabout. This was seconded by Cllr Kemp and carried by the meeting.

#### **14. COMMUNITY AREA PARTNERSHIP**

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr P Allen proposed that Cllr Bowers be elected as the Parish Council's representative for 'Climate Change and Nature Recovery' on the Community Area Partnership panel. This was seconded by Cllr Kemp and carried by the meeting.

#### **15. HEALTH & WELLBEING**

Cllr P Allen advised that his report previously circulated was a summary of the final HAIRE report and the important part of it were the action points. He asked members to come forward, at the next meeting, with ideas and suggestions so that it could be taken forward.

#### **16. PENPOL POND SIGNAGE**

It was discussed and agreed that members should meet with the Penpol Pond neighbours before agreeing any new signage.

#### **17. HM LAND REGISTRY BUSINESS E-SERVICES ACCOUNT**

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr Kemp proposed the variable direct debit scheme be set up to allow an e-services account with HM Land Registry. This was seconded by Cllr Johnson and carried by the meeting.

#### **18. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 6pm.

The meeting moved into closed session and members of the public left.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

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