

Minutes of the FEOCK PARISH COUNCIL ACCESS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Parish Council Office, Devoran on Wednesday 22nd February 2023 at 7pm

WARDS	CARNON DOWNS	DEVORAN	FEOCK
		S Cooper	K Hambly-Staite
		A Allen	L Fitt
			R Brickell

In attendance: Debra Roberts, Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer

CHAIRMAN: Councillor K Hambly-Staite

1. INTRODUCTION

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Cllrs J and P Allen.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 24TH JANUARY 2023

RESOLUTION: CLLR A ALLEN PROPOSED THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 24th JANUARY 2023 ARE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD, SECONDED BY CLLR BRICKELL AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

6. CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The Clerk gave her updated on actions from previous meeting which had been circulated to all members.

The Clerk had checked two locations for grit bins in Feock which Highways had not agreed to due to visibility and one area not being highway and privately owned. It was suggested that another location that could suitable was beside the Porthgwidden bus shelter. The Clerk would check with Highways if this would be a suitable location for Feock.

Nature Recovery Strategy

The Chair said he felt at the minimum this should inform the revision of the Feock Neighbourhood Development Plan but felt there should be more detail about what this would contain. Cllr Cooper had been to Devoran Gardening Club and given them information about the Nature Recovery Strategy that would be created and asking for feedback. Feedback so far included native shrubs in gardens, noticeboards for people to share ideas on, noting species counted, wildlife seeding where possible, sharing information on what people are doing on their own land and other examples. Cllr Cooper would also contact Devoran School to find out younger people's ideas.

7. HEALTH & WELLBEING 30 MINUTE WALKS

The Chairman said that Cllrs A Allen, Cooper and Fitt had walked a number of the 30 minute walk routes. The walks that have now been walked were numbers 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13. Feedback had been sent to Cllr P Allen who had drafted the routes with amendments suggested. There were some accessibility problems if we wanted people with buggies or wheelchairs to use these routes so again some amendments may be needed.

Walks 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 would be walked by Councillors before the March meeting and then discussed again when Cllr P Allen had returned. Cllr Brickell had a suggestion for another route in Carnon Downs as well.

8. HIGHWAYS UPDATE

Cllr Brickell said the pothole by the drain on Old Carnon Hill has not yet been fixed. The Clerk would chase this up. He also asked the Clerk to find out what was happening with the trench that had been dug where there was flooding on the road to Bissoe.

Cllr Cooper reported that there was a pothole around a manhole at the bottom of Penpol Hill going up towards Carnon Downs by 'Odd Acre' and asked that the Clerk report this.

The Chairman said there is a length of tarmac on the road to the King Harry Ferry and asked that this was reported by the Clerk.

9. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY ISSUES

It was noted that more waymarkers were needed on the footpath at Middle Devoran Farm as it was confusing for walkers as to which way they should go and where the footpath went.

The Clerk would ask our contractor to put more waymarkers up in this location and also add the footpath numbers to the shell waymarkers.

Cllr Cooper said that on the footpath that goes up from Tallacks Creek, past Herons Creek there is a stile that is now quite awkward as a boulder that was acting as a step has moved, this was on footpath 305/28/1.

10. LAND & PLAYING FIELD UPDATES

A resident had requested that the Council install football goals in Devoran Recreation Ground for the older children. The Clerk had looked into costs and a single goal would be around £400+VAT for the same size goal at Pengelly Meadows. The provision of two goals had been discussed and there were concerns that putting one at the end by the younger children's play equipment would put younger children at risk of being hit by footballs. The Committee felt one goal at the far end of the field nearest to the Pre-School should be installed.

RESOLUTION: THE CHAIRMAN PROPOSED THAT THE ACCESS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL THE PURCHASE OF ONE SET OF GOAL POSTS FOR DEVORAN RECREATION GROUND AT A COST OF £470 INC VAT PLUS FITTING, SECONDED BY CLLR A ALLEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. HIGHWAYS VERGE CUTTING

The Clerk had compiled a list of verges that we would like to ask Cormac to cut to help with pedestrian safety.

These areas were:

1. Bottom of Trolver Hill near to the chapel
2. Further up Trolver Hill by the corner with Trolver Farm (Sycamore that has self seeded needs removing)
3. Point Road verges (recently cut after request)
4. Junction at top of Trolver Hill where it meets Feock road (visibility issue).

The Clerk would send a request to Cormac to ask them to cut these verges.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.03pm.

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 28TH MARCH 2023 AT 7PM IN THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE.