

MEETING NO. 1201

Minutes of the FEOCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Tuesday 10th April 2018 at the Parish Council Office, Devoran at 7pm

Present: WARDS CARNON DOWNS DEVORAN FEOCK
 R Brickell I MacDonald H Freeman
 C Kemp B Thomas L Morgan-Lundie
 P Allen C Johnson
 P Lightfoot

In attendance: Cornwall Councillor Martyn Alvey
 Debra Roberts, Parish Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
 Anna Brunyee, Chair of Rhoda Mary Project
 Ross Ferris, Rhoda Mary Project

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Johnson

1. **INTRODUCTION BY CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and said she would like to thank everyone on the Council and Cllr Alvey for their efforts in publicising the Neighbourhood Plan Referendum which had an excellent turnout and been adopted, and thanks also go to everyone who has recently chaired the various committees and working groups reflecting excellent team work and support.

2. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Parker, Blake, Hambly-Staite and Andrew.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 6TH MARCH 2018**

RESOLUTION: CLLR THOMAS PROPOSED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6th MARCH 2018 AS CIRCULATED BY THE CLERK BE SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD OF THE MEETING, THIS WAS SECONDED BY CLLR KEMP AND WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE MEETING.

4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Anna Brunyee and Ross Ferris attended to talk about the Rhoda Mary project.

6. **RHODA MARY PROJECT PRESENTATION**

Anna Brunyee, the Chair of the project said their initial aim was to get the wreck of the Rhoda Mary back to Truro and restore her, however this was unfortunately currently proving very expensive. The project has held a memory day and gathered stories regarding the Ferris family who built her. More history about the Rhoda Mary has been gathered and it was felt it would be nice to put a sign at Carnon Yard where the Rhoda Mary was built, possibly a replacement for the sign that is currently there, the size of it depends on if the Parish Council and Restronguet Creek Society would support this financially. A small sign would be just under £200. A large sign (roughly the size of the Chairman board in the Parish Council Office) would be around £1500 which would be an engraved metal sign, like the one on Devoran Quay and this could be linked to the Feock Trails and possibly have a map of the parish on it. Cllr Allen felt it would be nice to have a similar style to the ones that were already at Devoran Quay and Carnon Mine and he felt that she was a very special ship and it would be nice to

have a new sign giving more information about her. Although the deadline was July there was some leeway with this date.

The Chairman said she would speak to those who were involved with the production of the Devoran Quay sign. Cllr Allen said that he would like to see a new bench seat at Carnon Yard but also improvements to history signage made at Restronguet Point and Carnon Mine.

Cllr Allen said if the Rhoda Mary Project have information that they would be happy to share with us we could add this to our website under the Feock Trails pages so this linked to the QR points.

The Chairman suggested that Anna and Ross speak to Restronguet Creek Society and then the Access & Amenities Committee would discuss the sign suggestion again at their meeting later this month and respond to them.

7. CLERKS UPDATE ON MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Clerk gave the following update on actions from the previous meeting.

Carnon Downs Vacancy

There still remained a vacancy for a ward Councillor for Carnon Downs. A new vacancy notice has been designed and will be put up on the noticeboards.

Risk Assessments

These will be discussed further at the next Access & Amenities Meeting being held on 26th April at 7pm.

Eucalyptus Tree

The Clerk had contacted the Diocese to request the tree is taken down urgently due to safety concerns but had not had a reply.

Extension to library

The Clerk had received two up to date prices from builders and was just waiting on the third to come in. It would be convenient if the work could be done during the end of May half term as there will be a certain amount of disruption.

Carcaddon Bridge

The National Trust had responded to our suggestion of a locals event and had arranged a free evening for residents of the parish on Tuesday 5th June where there would be free parking and access to the gardens. The bridge was being formally opened on Tuesday 17th April at 3pm and all Councillors were invited to attend. A poster to be sent to all councillors by email to be passed on to as many parishioners as possible.

Pengelly Meadows land transfer

The Clerk had chased up Cornwall Legal today and was awaiting a response.

Community Emergency Plan relaunch

The Clerk had arranged a meeting for Tuesday 24th April at 6.30pm.

8. MATTERS FOR REPORT

Cllr Kemp reported that herself and Cllr Alvey had a meeting with Miss Lock, the Head at Devoran School and one of the Governors regarding the Section 106 money that was coming from the Pengelly Meadows development. The Chairman said it would be good to have a Parish Councillor as a formal link with the school and this could be put on as a formal agenda item at the Annual Parish Council meeting in May.

Cllr Brickell attended the Truro & Roseland Community Network Meeting which had focussed on highways issues. There was a discussion regarding fencing and obstacles on verges which seem to be not just an issue in our parish but in also other parishes. The Clerk was arranging a meeting with Andy Stevenson from Cornwall Council regarding highways maintenance and would let the whole Council know when this meeting had been arranged. The Chairman said that despite the frustration often felt by councillors at the lack of practical response to highway issues, e.g. Bissoe road, dangerous pot holes were being fixed quickly when they were reported as exemplified in the recent work along the Tram Road between Devoran and Point Green.

Cllr Lightfoot had gone to the Police Advocacy Meeting in Bodmin which was unfortunately cancelled, information regarding this postponed meeting would be circulated to all for information when Cllr Lightfoot had received it.

Cllr Morgan-Lundie had attended the Nocturnal Lighting Planning conference which was very interesting. The main issue raised that was from 10pm at night between May to September any external lighting affected nocturnal animals, we need to consider external lighting when looking at planning applications. Small amendments to external lighting on schemes could make a big difference to nocturnal animals. There was a dark sky night which was being promoted and Cllr Morgan-Lundie would let the Clerk know when this was so that she could promote this on the Facebook page and website.

9. CURRENT REPORTS

Cornwall Council – Cllr Martyn Alvey

Pill Creek Tree Preservation Order legal action had failed due to a technicality in the TPO. A briefing was being arranged with a representative from the Enforcement team for the Parish Council to go over the issues in this TPO and the technical issues involved.

The Feock Neighbourhood Plan Cornwall Council report which was required to 'make' the plan had now been written and Cllr Alvey understood signed off under delegated powers.

The application for a license to the Marine Management Organisation to moor a barge at Point has been withdrawn.

There was still no start date for the Valley Lane development appeal, this was with the Planning Inspectorate to arrange. This would be a full hearing with a meeting held at one of the Village Halls.

Cllr Alvey reported that he has been selected to chair an inquiry into the County Farms to establish if the original reasons for the farms were still relevant, the sizes were economically viable and the tenancy terms still appropriate. Cornwall Council would be discussing the Stadium for Cornwall funding next week. Cornwall Council will also be discussing next week the type of containers used for recycling and waste.

Devon & Cornwall Police

The Clerk gave the following crime report.

There had been 8 crimes in total during February 2018.

Devoran x 1 - Other crime near to park

Carnon Downs x 4 – Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) (Bissoe Road), Violent & Sexual offences (Knights Meadow), ASB (Forth Coth) and ASB (Smithy Lane)

Feock x 3 – ASB at Loe Beach car park, ASB on the main road and theft at Dicky Lane.

The Chairman advised that on Monday 14th May the Police Liaison Meeting was being held here in the office and all Councillors were welcome to attend. The Clerk would advise the start time.

10. FINANCIAL SUMMARY & ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Clerk had circulated the Summer of Accounts for Payment for April 2018 to all those present.

Payments for approval since the last meeting (details circulated)	£7952.75 (ex VAT)
Including	
Bus shelter cleaning Autumn & Winter quarters	£1074.00
Routine maintenance of street lighting in Devoran from April 2017 to March 2018	£193.80

RESOLUTION: CLLR LIGHTFOOT PROPOSED THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT BE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN, SECONDED BY CLLR THOMAS AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Clerk advised that income from lunches (November 2017 to March 2018) is £416.50 which we believe to be profit subject to clarification of expenses in February which were still to be determined.

In March the total income for the lunch was £176 less £39.80 expenses by volunteers therefore £136.20 profit for that lunch.

The April income/expenses had not yet been received.

From the £1000 put aside for Health & Wellbeing there has been Lunch Club expenditure of £353.57 leaving £646.43 in this fund.

For the transport scheme the income since the last meeting on 6th March was £267 with mileage payments to the drivers of £236.25 this gives a surplus of £30.75.

In total in the year to 31st March 2018 income has been £2,494.79 with mileage payments to volunteer drivers of £2,256.26 this gives £238.53 surplus in the year.

Since the start of the transport scheme in February 2015 total donations were £5,991.25 against mileage payments to drivers of £5,504.50 this leaves a surplus for the scheme to date of £486.75.

11. LOCAL WARD REPORTS

Feock – there were no issues to raise.

Devoran – The Chairman said that the Old Tram Road was being resurfaced this week. Cllr Thomas said that Cormac had promised to complete the 20 mph zone by the end of April and he hoped that this was the case. Cllr Thomas said that a number of people had mentioned to him about the poor condition of the roundabouts at either end of the bypass. It was agreed that this item should be discussed further at the Access & Amenities Committee with a view to taking on the maintenance of

these roundabouts. It was noted that due to health and safety this maintenance had to be done when the road was closed in August over night for the yearly verge maintenance.

Carnon Downs - There was a discussion regarding the danger of crossing the A39 by the Carnon Downs campsite and the issues of cars cutting in after the roundabout and the road layout would be raised again at the Highways meeting. It was agreed for the Clerk to write to Cllr Geoff Brown the Portfolio Holder and copy this to Cllr Alvey raising their concerns about the danger of crossing this road due to the poor visibility and condition of the roundabout.

12. ACCESS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Cllr Allen advised that there had not been a meeting whilst he had been away but the next meeting was being held on 26th April 2018 at 7pm after the Business Plan meeting. Cllr Brickell had spoken to the vegetable stall at the Garden Centre who was trying to go plastic free, the Spar in Carnon Downs were also looking at going plastic free in the future.

13. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Cllr MacDonald advised that the two main applications discussed at the last Planning Committee meeting were the Penpol Boatyard development and the Point Road development. The Parish Council had objected to the Penpol Boatyard application due to the development being against several of our Neighbourhood Plan policies, building on the foreshore, effect on the AONB and the large number of neighbour objections. The Parish Council did not object to the extension to the boatyard, only the proposal to build a new house on the foreshore. Cllr Morgan-Lundie said that there were lots of boats on the bridleway by the boatyard which made it very difficult to drive through.

The Point Road development was discussed together with the recent Affordable Housing Officers comments, the Parish Council had commented that they wished the crossing and footway positioning to be re-considered.

A meeting had been held today with the owners and architects for the application at The Dene at Pill Creek to discuss the revised design that had been applied for.

The Planning Officer wishes to approve the application for Quiet Quay in Devoran and Cllr Alvey had agreed to our request to call this into Cornwall Council Planning Committee for further consideration.

The next Planning Committee is being held at 3.30pm on Monday 16th April 2018 and there were currently 16 applications on the agenda for consideration and comment.

14. HEALTH & WELLBEING PROJECT UPDATE

The Clerk showed the draft of the web page she had been working on to promote the local groups as part of the project, this could be filtered by village or type of event and also searched by keyword. This would not yet be live as we needed to contact the groups to ensure they were happy with their details being included, and if so if they were happy with the accuracy of the details included. It was noted that this would not be the only method of communication as not everyone was online so various methods were needed.

The Chairman had drafted a project plan showing the different Health & Wellbeing activities showing the different involvement, ie. the Parish Council, volunteers, health etc. . This is a working document for the H and WB party but designed as a means of keeping the whole council up to date with the project's aims and progress.

The Chairman suggested that the Parish Council might look to produce a news sheet to be delivered periodically to a range of activities across the wards and to include some of the work of the parish council that the general public might not be aware of. Each village hall could contribute items they wished to promote etc. The Clerk and Chairman would bring a draft to the next meeting.

15. POINT QUAY ASSOCIATION REPORT

Cllr Allen said that a meeting had been held and the slipway had been pressure washed. In the risk assessments there were a number of health and safety issues that the Parish Council needed to resolve for the Quay Association. It was the 125th anniversary this year of the Point Regatta which was being held over the weekend of the 13th, 14th and 15th July and this promised to be an excellent event.

16. LEGAL ADVICE ON STATUS OF COVENANT ON RETALLACK PLAYING FIELD

The Chairman said that as discussed at the last meeting we needed to consider if we wished to go ahead with seeking legal advice on the meaning and restrictions of the covenant. The Clerk had obtained prices and an estimate of time required for this work which she had circulated.

Cllr Allen gave an overview of the background to the reason for the covenant being put on the playing field when the Parish Council bought the land and this was to likely to stop the Parish Council selling the field for housing which was common under the previous Government. The playing fields in Carnon Downs and Feock had previously had to be sold under the requirements of the government. Cllr Allen felt that we needed to be more specific with regards to any request for advice that we make.

Cllr Freeman felt we needed to ask if there was any way that the covenant could be lifted or amended, who would be able to make alterations to the covenant, are the Parish Council actually able to make this request for it to be amended?

RESOLUTION: CLLR MACDONALD PROPOSED THAT CLLRS FREEMAN, ALLEN AND THE CLERK COMPOSE A LETTER OUTLINING THE ADVICE WE REQUIRE TO STEPHENS & SCOWN TO BE CIRCULATED TO THE WHOLE PARISH COUNCIL FOR COMMENT AND THEN SENT TO STEPHENS & SCOWN FOR A PRICE TO BE PROVIDED FOR THIS ADVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND FOR THIS TO BE BROUGHT BACK TO THE MAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING FOR AGREEMENT BEFORE GOING AHEAD, SECONDED BY CLLR MORGAN-LUNDIE AND CARRIED BY A MAJORITY.

17. REQUEST TO BECOME A FRIEND OF THE FAL RIVER FESTIVAL FOR 2018

The Clerk had advised that we had received a request to support the Fal River Festival 2018 by becoming a friend of the festival at a cost of £75.

RESOLUTION: THE CHAIRMAN PROPOSED THAT THE COUNCIL AGREE TO THIS REQUEST FOR SUPPORT AT A COST OF £75, SECONDED BY CLLR FREEMAN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

18. YOUR CHOICE FUNDING

The Council had met last week to go through all the applications to ensure they met the criteria for going forward to the public vote and two groups had been contacted following this meeting to request further information be given.

RESOLUTION: CLLR LIGHTFOOT PROPOSED THAT THE DEVORAN PTCA APPLICATION DID NOT GO THROUGH TO THE PUBLIC VOTE DUE TO THE LACK OF A DETAILED BUDGET PROVIDED BUT THAT THEY BE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY NEXT YEAR, SECONDED BY CLLR MORGAN-LUNDIE AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was felt that the Carnon Downs Ageing Well project fitted more under the Health & Wellbeing fund and a meeting had already been set up with the Community Matron to look at this project in more detail.

RESOLUTION: CLLR THOMAS PROPOSED THAT THE AGEING WELL PROJECT WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE YOUR CHOICE FUNDING AND INSTEAD CONSIDERED UNDER THE HEALTH & WELLBEING FUND WHEN FURTHER INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED AT THE FORTHCOMING MEETING, THIS WAS SECONDED BY CLLR ALLEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTION: THE CHAIRMAN PROPOSED THAT THE APPLICATIONS FROM FEOCK HOME & GARDEN SOCIETY, CARNON DOWNS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, DEVORAN EXPLORER SCOUTS, DEVORAN GARDENING CLUB, DEVORAN SPRING FLOWER SHOW & DEVORAN VILLAGE HALL AND CARNON DOWNS MEMORY CAFÉ ALL GO THROUGH TO THE PUBLIC VOTE AND BE INVITED TO PRESENT AT THE ELECTORS MEETING IN MAY, SECONDED BY CLLR THOMAS AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.50pm.