

Blisland Parish Council
Thursday 12 December 2013

A Meeting of Blisland Parish Council was held in the Manor Suite, Blisland Village Hall on Thursday 12 December 2013 at 7.30pm.

Councillors present

Parish Council Chairman Mr Ludgate presiding

Vice Chairman Councillor Mrs Webber

Councillor Bogle, Councillor Mrs Carey, Councillor Cross, Councillor Fairman and Councillor Runnalls.

In attendance

Cornwall Councillor Batters

Parish Clerk Mrs Harris

Five members of the public were present.

134/13 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Council was addressed regarding the planning application PA13/06999 Land at Old Temple Road Temple Bodmin Cornwall - Proposed erection of wind turbine with a hub height of 24.6 metres, a height to tip of 34.2 metres and a rotor diameter of 19.2 metres and associated steel tower.

135/13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Miss Meads.

136/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

137/13 COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT

PCSO Paynter's written report advised that there have been no reported crimes in Blisland Parish since 14 November. PCSO Paynter wished to draw the following to the attention of the Council. In total he has issued three Section 59 warnings to motorcyclists as a result of two separate incidents. Two people received warnings for causing damage to moorland at Bradford and following a report of someone using a motorcycle near the Carwen turning they were also issued with a Section 59 warning. The public have played their part in this success and PCSO Paynter wishes to express his thanks for all the assistance received.

On Sunday 1 December a pony was seized under the Animal Welfare Act 2006 section 18/6 (a) and (b). The animal was reported as being in a poor condition near South Penquite and Kerrow.

138/13 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cornwall Councillor Batters reported that he is currently dealing with a number of individual issues and also advised that he has recently had success in arranging for the fire hydrant at Higher Pengelly to be cleared.

139/13 PLANNING DECISIONS

PA13//08720 South Penquite Blisland Bodmin
Construction of a building to provide a self catering camping barn and dedicated reception area for the campsite at South Penquite - *Refused*

140/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) PA13/06999 Land at Old Temple Road Temple Bodmin Cornwall
Proposed erection of wind turbine with a hub height of 24.6 metres, a height to tip of 34.2 metres and a rotor diameter of 19.2 metres and associated steel tower.

It was proposed by Councillor Fairman and seconded by Councillor Mrs Webber that Blisland Parish Council does not support this application. The Parish Council in formulating its response has made reference to DEFRA's Common Land Consents Policy Guidance document dated July 2009. It is the opinion of BPC that this proposal would:-

have an adverse effect on the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty view, not have a positive benefit for the neighbourhood & does not offer an exchange of Common land. Furthermore the Council wishes to express concern that the proposal is to be sited close to the following Historic features: - Temple Church, Temple old bridge, a medieval settlement and a bronze age settlement. This proposal received the support of the Council.

PA13/10386 Hawthorn Lodge Waterloo Bodmin

Application to fell one mature sycamore (T1) subject to a Tree Preservation Order

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Webber and seconded by Councillor Bogle that Blisland Parish Council supports this application if a younger tree is planted to replace the tree to be felled. This proposal received the support of the Council.

b) None

141/13 MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Runnalls and seconded by Councillor Mrs Carey that the minutes of the meeting of 14 November 2013 are accepted, approved and duly signed by the Chairman. This proposal received the support of the Council.

142/13 CORNWALL COUNCIL – PLANNING CONSULTATIONS

Renewable Energy Landscape Supplementary Planning Document

www.cornwall.gov.uk/renewablespd

Minerals Safeguarding Development Plan Document

www.cornwall.gov.uk/mineralsplan

Allocations Development Plan Document

www.cornwall.gov.uk/allocationsplan

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Webber and seconded by Councillor Runnalls that Blisland Parish Council finds the renewable energy document very user friendly, relevant and useful reference material. This proposal received the support of the Council.

143/13 VILLAGE INSTITUTE – TOILET PLANS

It was decided by Council that any decision on the toilets should be deferred until a meeting has been arranged with Cornwall Council's Conservation Officer Sarah Cawrse to discuss the renovation plans for the Village Institute.

144/13 VILLAGE INSTITUTE – TO CONSIDER THE PRICE RECEIVED TO RE-ROOF THE BUILDING

Following Councillor Fairman's report it was proposed by Councillor Mrs Webber and seconded by Councillor Cross that roof repairs are authorised to a maximum value of £300. This proposal received the support of the Council.

145/13 VILLAGE INSTITUTE – INTERNAL RENOVATIONS.

Councillor Fairman advised the Council that an air to air heating pump to provide heat, dehumidify and air condition the Institute building could cost £3280 plus VAT. 3 kw of solar panels on the south facing roof would be £4730 plus VAT - estimated electricity generation would be approximately 2830 kw hours per year approximately half of which would be used by the Institute building and the approximate pay back would be 8.5 years. The roof needs insulation and a suspended ceiling could be considered as an option an indication of costs could be £8,000 - £11,000.

It was proposed by Councillor Cross and seconded by Councillor Bogle that the Council should arrange for the building to be inspected by an Energy Efficiency Adviser (maximum cost £200) and that an appointment should be arranged with Sarah Cawrse as soon as possible in order that the Council can have an opportunity to discuss the acceptability of the proposals. This proposal received the support of the Council.

146/13 ACCOUNTS & FINANCE

The clerk reported the bank balances to Council. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Webber and seconded by Councillor Runnalls that the cheques totalling £705.02 are authorised for payment (App 1). This proposal received the support of the Council.

147/13 BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL STANDING ORDERS

Copies of the revised Standing Orders were distributed to Council members.

148/13 BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL VILLAGE QUESTIONNAIRE

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Carey and seconded by Councillor Cross that the clerk is instructed to arrange for the printing of the questionnaire subject to the following amendments:-

Section 1 General Information Question 1 to be amended from (circle the number that applies) to (please tick the box that applies)

Section 7 Economy Question 2 reduce spacing between 'opportunities' and 'in'.

Insert at the end of the questionnaire ' Please return to Blisland Shop & Post Office by 31 January 2014 or post to Blisland Parish Council c/o Racecourse Farm Bodmin Cornwall PL31 2AZ.'

149/13 BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET 2014/15

The Council instructed the clerk to prepare a revised budget for the January meeting.

150/13 BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

It was proposed by Councillor Ludgate and seconded by Councillor Bogle that Blisland Parish Council purchases the domain www.blislandparishcouncil.co.uk at a maximum cost of £100. This proposal received the support of the Council.

151/13 ACTION SHEET

Check safety of trees on the Green – contractor appointed

Councillor safety inspection of swings – Councillor Runnalls
Approval of annual budget – January agenda

152/13 HIGHWAYS

The clerk was instructed to report the following to Cornwall Council Highways: -

Potholes – St Breward to Keybridge Farm

Treswigga from village opposite the old chapel

Kerrow cross roads

153/13 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

None

154/13 CORRESPONDENCE

Peninsular Health

Annual review

155/13 NOTICES

None

156/13 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

It was proposed by Councillor Bogle and seconded by Councillor Cross that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted. This proposal received the support of the Council.

157/13 BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL – STAFF RELATED DOCUMENTS

It was proposed by Councillor Fairman and seconded by Councillor Bogle that Blisland Parish Council authorises the Chair of the Staffing Committee Councillor Mrs Webber to pay a fee of circa £30 to check the clerk is paid on the appropriate pay scale. It was further proposed that all the documents are referred to the Staffing Committee for consideration and that this Committee reports back to Council. These proposals received the support of the Council.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

Chairman

Date