

## Blisland Parish Council Meeting Thursday 11 December 2014

A Meeting of Blisland Parish Council was held in the Manor Suite Blisland Village Hall on Thursday 11 December 2014.

Councillors present

Parish Council Chairman Councillor Fairman  
Parish Council Vice Chairman Councillor Mrs Webber,  
Councillor Bogle, Councillor Mrs Carey,  
Councillor Miss Meads, Councillor Montague  
& Councillor Runnalls.

In attendance

Parish clerk Mrs Sandra Harris

### 180/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Council was addressed regarding Planning Application PA14/10214.

### 181/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from the following Councillors:-  
Councillor Cross, Councillor Greenaway and Councillor Mrs Pope.  
Cornwall Councillor Batters also sent his apologies to the meeting.

### 182/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Montague declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Planning Application PA14/10214.  
Councillor Mrs Webber declared a non-registerable interest in agenda item 12 the Mobile Infrastructure Project.

### 183/14 COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT

PCSO Linda Thomas presented her report to the meeting. This report advised that from 1 April – 30 November 2014 there have been 13 crimes. 9 crimes have been detected, 3 are currently undetected and 1 under investigation.  
PCSO Thomas encouraged the Parish Council to consider drawing up an emergency plan and to check any potential liability issues if filling salt bins with road salt.  
PCSO Thomas also advised the meeting that she has recently had a very enjoyable visit to the school and wishes to encourage all Councillors to contact her via email with any concerns /issues which they identify in the village.

### 184/14 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR REPORT

The clerk read an emailed report from Cornwall Councillor Batters. The report advised that it has been a quiet month in the Parish. Cornwall Councillor Batters has been asked to deal with a few potholes here and there, including some in St Breward Parish - all have been reported to Cormac. As a result of pressure brought on the Cornwall Council Cabinet Members by many of the Councillors, including Cornwall Councillor Batters, the Council has taken a u turn and promised not to cut the salting and gritting programme for this winter. Services for salting and gritting will be as last winter, a good result for rural areas.

Cornwall Councillor Batter's report then took the opportunity to say how much he has enjoyed working with the Parish Council over the past twelve months and congratulated the Council on the way it conducts its business. Cornwall Councillor Batters also took wished all Members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Finally as and when the Council gets a date for the public consultation meeting regarding the phone mast, Cornwall Councillor Batters would appreciate being informed and will hopefully be able to attend. Last week at Cornwall Council's Strategic Planning meeting when two applications for phone masts came before the Committee, Cornwall Councillor Batters robustly questioned the applicant on the subject especially with regard to consultation with the locals. Cornwall Councillor Batters would like to be present when Harlequin make their presentation to the Parish Council.

#### 185/14 HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

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

1. The give way sign has been removed from the road from Tresarrett to Barlendew at Whitecross and that the white lines on this junction are worn very badly. As a consequence anyone approaching this junction not knowing the road may not stop.
2. Bradford to Delphi Bridge t-junction the recently repaired potholes are already giving way.
3. The wooden sign outside South Penquite which indicated left to the Beacon and right to Blisland has been removed.
4. Temple – there is a large pothole next to the red phone box.
5. Works to Delphi bridge did not start as planned on 8 December.

The clerk was further instructed to report to the Highways Agency – at the side vegetation on the A30 at the Blisland junction needs further trimming.

#### 186/14 MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Runnalls and seconded by Councillor Mrs Carey that the minutes of 13 November 2014 are accepted, approved and signed by the Chairman. This proposal received the support of the Council.

#### 187/14 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a) PA14/10214 Abbey Farm Temple Bodmin

Installation of 16 no. 250 watt solar panels on ground mounted 'A' frames.

Councillor Montague having previously declared a pecuniary interest left the meeting room.

*It was proposed by Councillor Runnalls and seconded by Councillor Miss Meads that Blisland Parish Council supports this small scale solar application as it appears to satisfy the Landscape Sensitivity Assessment for Solar PV Development guidance specified in Cornwall Council's paper CA32 Bodmin Moor. This proposal received the support of the Council.*

Councillor Montague re-joined the meeting.

- b) None

#### 188/14 PLANNING DECISIONS

PA14/08496

Black Penquite Blisland  
Demolition of extension to dwelling and replacement with larger extension, erection of conservatory, replacement of rotten windows with double glazed, replacement of composite roof tiles

with slate, alteration of roof pitch and installation of dormer window – *Approved*

189/14 GOVERNEMENT CONSUTATION – COMMUNITY AND ANCILLARY SELLERS NOTICES (CANs)

It was proposed by Councillor Bogle and seconded by Councillor Montague that Blisland Parish Council has no response to submit to this consultation. This proposal received the support of the Council.

190/14 CORNWALL COUNCIL PLANNING SERVICE

It was proposed by Councillor Fairman and seconded by Councillor Miss Meads that the clerk is instructed to submit the following response to Cornwall Council. Blisland Parish Council is impressed by Cornwall Council's strategy and supports Cornwall Council's position. However the Parish Council wishes to note that by imposing the directives from Central Government 'localism' is being diluted. Furthermore, the apparent bias in favour of big developers in some cases is not positive for smaller communities. This proposal received the support of the Council.

191/14 MOBILE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

Councillors Mrs Webber having previously declared a non-registerable interest left the meeting room. The clerk advised the Council that the date of the drop in session had been changed from Thursday 18 December to Wednesday 17 December. The clerk advised that posters will be displayed in Village notice boards and A3 flyers will be available in the Shop & Post Office. Councillor Mrs Webber rejoined the meeting.

192/14 BLISLAND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Council was advised that Cornwall Council's Sarah Arden has acknowledged receipt of Blisland's application and has asked one of her colleagues to process the application and arrange the six week consultation.

Cornwall Council's Community Network Manager Sarah Sims has offered to come to Blisland to discuss how to start the plan and the clerk was instructed to invite Sarah to the February Council meeting.

193/14 PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET

Council considered the draft budget figures. It was decided that the clerk should be instructed undertake the following:-

1. To contact Cornwall Council to request an extension on the submission of the budget to 31 January 2015.
2. To contact CALC to request details of the interest rates, set up fees and any early repayment penalties levied by the PWLB on a loan of £10,000.
3. To prepare details of the increase in household Council tax across all bandings for the proposed 28% increase.

The clerk was further instructed to ensure that the minutes record the Council's appreciation of the work undertaken to prepare the draft figures.

194/14 BODMIN MOOR PARISHES NETWORKING SESSION

It was decided that Blisland Parish Council did not have any discussion issues/topics to suggest for this event and that the Council did not wish to address the meeting.

## 195/14 INSTITUTE FUND RAISER

Councillor Runnalls offered to obtain for consideration at the January meeting costing details for a summer Village Green event to include a marquee on the Green and food in the Institute building. This offer was gratefully accepted by Council.

## 196/14 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE

The clerk reported the bank balances to Council. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Webber and seconded by Councillor Bogle that the cheques presented for payment totalling £1926.55 are authorised for payment (App 1). This proposal received the support of the Council.

## 197/14 ACTION SHEET

Internal checking procedures review – it was highlighted to Council that in accordance with the new Financial Regulations the quarterly check of the bank statements should be conducted by a Council member not currently the Chairman of the Council. It was further highlighted that staffing budgets should be reviewed at least annually.

Tree safety checks on the Village Green – the Council decided a check was not necessary given that the tree surgeon has recently undertaken works.

Councillor safety inspection of swings – Councillor Runnalls offered to undertake this inspection.

Approval of annual budget – deferred until January

## 198/14 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

None

## 199/14 CORRESPONDENCE

Cornwall Council	Salt bins
Cornwall Council	Planning Department level of service survey
Cornwall Council	Community group funding available for minibuses
Cornwall Council	Information Bulletin for Town & Parish Councils
Cornwall Council	Christmas Waste Collections
Cornwall Councillor Batters	Mast at Pennant Farm
CPRE	Help find Cornwall's Waste of Space
Cornwall Blind Association	Request for funding
Cornwall Sports Partnership	Free taster sessions & Nov 14 Bulletin
Harlequin Group	Various regarding Parish MIP Pre-app Consultation
Blisland resident	Lost whippet

## 200/14 NOTICES

Mobile Infrastructure Project

Drop in event Wednesday 17 December 4pm-7pm  
Blisland Village Hall

## 201/14 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

None

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Chairman

Date