

Blisland Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 13 March 2014

A Meeting of Blisland Parish Council was held in the Manor Suite Blisland Village Hall on Thursday 13 March 2014.

Councillors present

Parish Council Chairman Councillor Fairman

Parish Council Vice-Chairman Councillor Mrs Webber

Councillor Bogle, Councillor Mrs Carey, Councillor Mrs Pope & Councillor Runnalls

In attendance

Cornwall Councillor Batters

Parish Clerk Mrs Harris

219/13 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

220/13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Cross, Councillor Greenaway and Councillor Miss Meads.

221/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs Webber declared non registerable interests in Planning Application PA14/01454 The Forge Trewint Hill Waterloo Blisland, Village Green grass cutting and footpaths maintenance.

222/13 COMMUNITY POLICE –REPORT

PCSO Linda Thomas attended the Parish Council meeting and reported that there has been no reported crime in Blisland in February. Linda also advised that she has already been on foot patrol in Blisland and only met one person! Linda asked that her email address be circulated to all Parish Councillors.

223/13 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR - REPORT

Cornwall Councillor Batters advised that the gully at the end of Church Bridge will be reviewed. Currently Cornwall Council is implementing a programme to improve the entry to all gullies and this is being undertaken on a gradual basis throughout the County. Highways Steward Oliver Jones will be in attendance at the meeting regarding the road from St Breward to Racecourse Downs. Parish Council Vice-Chairman Mrs Webber offered to be Blisland Parish Council's representative.

Cornwall Councillor Batters then explained to Council the progress he has made in conjunction with Cornwall Council Cabinet Member Alex Folkes and Dan Rogerson MP regarding trying to reduce the business tax liability of the Village Shop and Post Office.

224/13 HIGHWAYS

The clerk was instructed to report the following:-

Road from Fourwinds to Whitecross crossroads has really deep potholes, previous repairs having floated out.

Whitecross signpost needs repairing.

225/13 MINUTES

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

226/13 PLANNING DECISIONS

- PA13/10891 Lemon Cottage Blisland
Internal & external alterations to Grade 2 Listed Cottage including re-slating the north facing slope in the gully between the two pitches and the installation of solar panels on the south facing slope.
Approved
- PA13/11625 South Penquite Blisland Bodmin
Extension to dwelling to provide ground floor rear conservatory and first floor extension with pitched roof build up off flat roof at side.
Approved
- PA13/11506 Cassacawn Mill Blisland
Listed Building Consent for the retention of ensuite toilet including the enclosure
Approved

227/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Councillor Mrs Webber having previously declared a non registerable interest left the meeting room.

- a) PA14/01454 The Forge Trewint Hill, Waterloo Blisland
Change of use from garage to micro-brewery

It was proposed by Councillor Bogle and seconded by Councillor Mrs Pope that the clerk is instructed to request a site inspection. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Councillor Mrs Webber rejoined the meeting.

- b) To consider any planning applications received since publication of the agenda.

None

228/13 CORNWALL COUNCIL AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONSULTATION

It was proposed by Councillor Fairman and seconded by Councillor Mrs Carey that Blisland Parish Council supports this document. This proposal received the support of the Council.

229/13 CORNWALL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

Local Audit and Accountability Act – Access to Meetings.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Carey and seconded by Councillor Bogle that Blisland Parish Council has reservations regarding the filming of meetings and the use of social media. The Council also wishes to express concern that public spirited unpaid Councillors could attract undue levels of interest from members of the press. This proposal received the support of the Council.

230/13 STAFFING COMMITTEE

It was proposed by Councillor Bogle and seconded by Councillor Mrs Pope that Parish Council Chairman Councillor Fairman is elected a member of the Staffing Committee. This proposal received the support of the Council.

231/13 WORLD WAR ONE COMMEMORATIONS

Councillor Bogle presented a report following the World War One Commemorations working party meeting held on 6 March 2014.

Canon Sherry Bryan has agreed to conduct a service at Blisland War Memorial on Sunday 10 August at 2.30pm and enquiries have been made with Camelford Town Band to ascertain if they are available to perform outside the Institute building on Saturday 9 August at 11.45am to open the Exhibition. The anticipated fee will be £100 and refreshments should be available for the general public and band members at lunchtime. It is hoped that the costs can be covered by grant funding from Blisland Foundation.

232/13 VILLAGE QUESTIONNAIRE

The clerk distributed copies of the collated results to all Councillors present and was instructed to make the Questionnaire an agenda item for next month.

233/13 VILLAGE INSTITUTE

Councillor Runnalls advised the Council of the areas discussed with Cornwall Council's Conservation Officer Sarah Cawrse regarding the Institute project. It was proposed by Councillor Runnalls and seconded by Councillor Mrs Pope that the Council considers the Institute a 3 phase project. Namely:-

Phase 1 the toilets

Phase 2 the Institute building &

Phase 3 a mezzanine

This proposal received the support of the Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Fairman and seconded by Councillor Mrs Webber that the Parish Council closes the building and allows no public access. This proposal received the support of the Council.

234/13 VILLAGE GREEN SEATS & SWINGS

Councillor Runnalls advised the meeting that the seat has been removed and that Councillor Greenaway is approaching Mr Rich regarding a price for repair costs and the swing has been 'hooked up' to prevent use.

235/13 NEW RESIDENTS WELCOME PACK

In the absence of Councillor Miss Meads the Council decided to defer this agenda item to the April Council meeting.

236/13 ACCOUNTS & FINANCE

The clerk reported the bank balances to Council. It was proposed by Councillor Runnalls and seconded by Councillor Mrs Webber that the cheques totalling £181.34 are authorised for payment. (App 1). This proposal received the support of the Council.

237/13 ACTION SHEET

Councillor inspection of swings

Councillor Runnalls agreed to inspect the swings

Finalize annual accounts, submit PAYE and VAT returns

The clerk confirmed these are all in hand

Councillor Mrs Webber having previously declared a non registerable interest left the meeting room.

Discuss terms of the footpath contract and invite tenders

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Carey and seconded by Councillor Bogle that Blisland Parish Council accepts Cornwall Council's Local Maintenance Partnership offer and that the clerk is instructed to ask both previous footpath contractors for a price for the 2014-15 season. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Discuss tender received for Village Green grass cutting

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Pope and seconded by Councillor Runnalls that the price of £140 per cut for the 2014-15 season is accepted by the Council.

It was further proposed by Councillor Bogle and seconded by Councillor Runnalls and that the clerk is instructed to issue a short term contract to the contractor until the end of May for five cuts. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Councillor Mrs Webber rejoined the meeting.

238/13 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Parish Council Chairman Councillor Fairman reported on a Community Energy Plus presentation which could be developed as part of the neighbourhood plan and ultimately could feed into local plan.

239/13 CORRESPONDENCE

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Carey and seconded by Councillor Bogle that Blisland Parish Council adopts the suggestion of Cornwall Councillor Batters regarding the business rates position of Blisland Shop and Post Office and that the clerk is instructed to write to Cornwall Council Cabinet member Alex Folkes and Dan Rogerson MP. This proposal received the support of the Council.

Dan Rogerson MP	Grant funding opportunities
Cornwall Councillor Batters	Meeting with Cormac regarding road from St Breward to Racecourse Downs
Cornwall Council	Home office consultation on locally set fees for Licensing Act 2003
Cornwall Council	Landscape & cumulative impact guidance for wind and solar development training
Cornwall Council	Traffic management for Community events
	14 April Camborne
	22 May Notterbridge
	24 June Camborne
Cornwall Playing Fields Assoc	Request for financial assistance
Planning Inspectorate	A30 Hearing date 7 April 2014
	Examination timetable and procedure
Victim Support	Request for financial contribution
Complete weed control	Brochure

240/13 NOTICES

Clean Cornwall Litter pick Saturday 15 March 10.30am outside the Village Institute building.

241/13 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Institute

Questionnaire

Village Green Seats & Swings
New residents pack

The meeting closed at 9.45pm

Chairman

Date