

Highlights from the Altarnun Parish Council meeting on Wednesday, 4th February 2015

Cornwall Councillor Hall, five Councillors and the Parish Council's grounds manager met Chair Dowler at the Altarnun Village hall.

After an update by Cornwall Councillor Hall on wider County matters, the meeting heard from one of the new owners of the land and old farmhouse at Cannaglaze about their proposal to restore the derelict buildings for habitable use. To date some building work had been undertaken to make safe the walls and roof. They had paid for an architectural survey and now the report had been received, they intended to prepare & submit a formal planning application. In the interim, Cornwall Council had imposed a Planning Enforcement Notice on the site which had been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in Bristol. The new owners were appealing against the enforcement notice. The Parish Council reviewed some of the historical findings in the report, including mention of ancient farm boundaries and mediaeval structures. The new owners believed that the property was last used as a holiday home in the 1960's. After a lengthy exchange, without prejudice to the planning processes both planned and in hand, the Parish Councillors present felt there to be merit in conserving such an interesting, old site.

The Councillors then considered **PA15/00178** about bank stabilisation after storm damage at Penleat House, Altarnun. There was **NO OBJECTION**. They then considered **PA14/12064** seeking permission to erect an Endurance E-4660 wind turbine with hub height of 24.8m including a control kiosk and temporary crane pad at land NE of Higher Tregunnon Farm, Altarnun, PL15 7SX. The Council noted that the height of the turbine had been reduced since the commencement of pre-application consultation late in 2014. It was now the same height as the first turbine. The energy produced was expected to lead to a reduction in energy costs for the landowner's agricultural business. The associated photo montages; heritage; ecological; landscape; noise and access statements had all been reviewed and after a lengthy debate the Parish Council raised no objection to the proposal.

The meeting closed with a run through of limited correspondence, a reprise of the activities at the recent Bodmin Moor parishes networking event held at the Jamaica Inn & the Altarnun Village Hall Committee meeting; the authorisation of financial transactions and a general discussion about winter maintenance works & the need for additional grit.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 4th March 2015 in the Altarnun Village Hall.

All residents are welcome.

Clerk to Altarnun Parish Council – February 2015