

## *Altarnun Parish Council "RO AN HAL"*

**Draft Minutes of Altarnun Parish Council (APC)** meeting held at Altarnun Village Hall, Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 which commenced at 7.30 pm. **APC members present** Cllr Dowler (Chair), Cllr Bloomfield, Cllr Coles, Cllr Branch (joined meeting in progress), Cllr Green, Cllr P Smith (joined the meeting in progress), Cllr Vickery, & Cllr Wendon.

**Also present:** Cornwall Cllr Adrian Parsons, Mr R Turner - parish clerk & 15 members of the public.

**133/22 Apologies for absence:** Cllr Kendall, Cllr Anderson & Cllr W Smith

**134/22 Members declaration of interests and requests for dispensations.**

Cllr Bloomfield declared an interest in planning application PA22/06743 within agenda item 139/22 and stated he would leave the meeting when this matter was to be discussed.

Following advice from Cornwall Assn of Local Councils, the clerk granted dispensation in pro forma to all councillors present for agenda item 142/22, the subject of which is a general benefit to the community. Whilst direct benefits to councillors may be applicable, the meeting could have become inquorate if their individual interests had been declared.

**Cllr Branch joined the meeting and signed the form granting dispensation to participate in agenda item 142/22.**

**135/22 Invitation for members of the public/ward councillor to address the meeting.**

A member of the public requested that a 20mph speed limit be applied through Altarnun Village. Cllr Dowler explained that Altarnun is on the Cornwall Council list for future consideration for such a scheme as a result of longstanding and continued requests from residents. Cornwall Councillor Parsons advised, in order to manage expectations, that such a scheme was unlikely to be implemented until 2024 at the earliest.

Cllr Parsons reported, a new set of circumstances whereby Cornwall could have a County Deal without having a Mayor for Cornwall. Cornwall Council has been negotiating with Whitehall a new deal which will devolve more powers and responsibility to the unitary council. Linda Taylor, leader of Cornwall Council has joined forces with the Duchy's six MPs to seek a meeting with the prime minister and the Secretary of State to ask whether Cornwall can get its deal without the need for a mayor.

Finally, he reported, due to current financial constraints the 76 & 76a local bus services have been axed, effective 4.9.2022.

**136/22 To approve the minutes of the APC Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2022.** It was proposed by Cllr Bloomfield, seconded by Cllr Branch, then **resolved** that the minutes of the APC meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2022 were correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chair. Cllr Dowler signed the minutes.

**137/22 Matters arising from minutes of APC Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2022 and not included in this agenda.** None.

**138/22 Finance Matters: *The RFO reported the following:***

-External auditors have carried out a limited assurance review for financial year 2021/22, relating to APC's internal controls and administration systems, and concluded that on the basis of the review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR). the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. The report has been published on the APC web site in accordance with guidelines and statutory requirements.

-Local Maintenance Partnership grant 2022 claimed from Cornwall Council by pro forma invoice.

-APC bank account balance as at 31.8.2022 £32732.76 credit.

***The RFO advised the following accounts due as payable:***

-Clerks salary for July, Aug & September 2022 £841.05 chq 1351

-HMRC PAYE&NI for July, Aug & September 2022 £219.67 chq1352

-Microsoft Office 365 subscription 2022/23 £59.99 chq 1353

-PKF Littlejohn LLP -Limited Assurance Review 2021/22 fee £240 chq 1354

-AAV Services – Grass cutting at Bolventor £40 chq 1355

-Smart Brothers -second bi-annual parish footpath cut and monthly parish maintenance and grass cuts £1273 chq 1357

-Corserv Facilities Ltd– 12 months cleaning (1.4.2022 – 31.3.2023) at Riverside public conveniences £4785.44 chq 1358

-ICO Data protection renewal fee £35 due by direct debit payment on or before 6.10.2022.

Cllr Bloomfield proposed to approve payment for these accounts, Cllr Dowler seconded, it was unanimously **resolved** to pay these accounts. Cllr Dowler signed the schedule of payments.

**139/22 Planning Applications:** Statutory consultee comments were resolved for the applications noted below:

-**Application PA22/07031 Proposal** Use of part of agricultural field for dog exercising/agility training and provision of associated car parking area **Location** Land East of Oldhay Farm Bungalow Altarnun **Applicant** Jamie White & Robert Dugard.

After discussion involving 7 members of the public who spoke in opposition of the application, the Chair extended an invitation to 5 more members of the public present to speak, but all declined, confirming they had nothing to add in objection to the application. Clarifying the planning documents and applicants intentions, Cllr Bloomfield proposed & Cllr Green seconded to approve the following consultee comment to Cornwall Council Planning & Sustainable Development Office, which was unanimously **resolved**.

***'Altarnun Parish Council unanimously resolved to object to this application for the following material considerations: incompatible and unacceptable use of land in an area of great landscape value (which is also within the Bodmin Moor Dark Sky 2-mile buffer zone) where it is considered the intended purpose would endanger livestock and wildlife. Also, it is considered, the intended use would give rise to noise and disturbance during the hours of operation and compromise highway safety on the restricted approach and access to the site. It is further considered that there is no local demand for such a facility and therefore would bring no benefit to the local economy'***

Cllr P Smith joined the meeting & Cllr Bloomfield left the meeting having declared an interest.

**-Application PA22/06743 Proposal** Reinstatement of a residential dwelling (Revised Application further to Approval PA19/05978) **Location** Land north of Trevague Cottage Lewannick **Applicant** Mr A Bloomfield. Andrew Bloomfield Building Limited.

After discussion, clarifying the planning documents and applicants intentions, Cllr Vickery proposed & Cllr Green seconded to approve the following consultee comment to Cornwall Council Planning & Sustainable Development Office, which was unanimously **resolved**. *'Altarnun Parish Council supports this application with no objections'*

**Cllr Bloomfield returned to the meeting.**

**140/22 Planning Decisions: The following applications were reported as being approved by the LPA:**

PA22/06052, PA22/05613, PA22/04362, PA/2204684 & PA22/04685

**For further details about any planning decision, note the reference number and go to the Cornwall Council website <http://planning.cornwall.gov.uk/online-applications/>**

**141/22 Pre-App Planning:** No cases were advised since the last council meeting.

**142/22 Openreach Broadband – Trewint project.**

The clerk and Cllr Wendon presented and explained that after negotiation an offer received from Cornwall Council was now making a grant available covering the full amount of the Trewint Broadband project, being £96,246, in advance of the scheme commencing, and that no other criteria would be applied to stop or prevent the project from being built. Cornwall Council will deliver funds to APC for payment to Openreach in due course, under strict terms of the grant.

After lengthy discussion, Cllr Wendon proposed that the grant in the sum of £96,246 be accepted by formal application to Cornwall Council, Cllr Coles seconded, and it was **Resolved** to apply for the grant as proposed. The clerk undertook to complete the necessary formalities.

**143/22 Bolventor Churchyard.**

Further to minute no. 129/22 the clerk reported that the agreement was now signed, and all insurance arrangements confirmed as being satisfactorily in place and whilst the transfer of funds from Bolventor Church Yard Trust was still outstanding. Cutting and ongoing maintenance will commence by 14.9.2022.

**144/22 Street Furniture**

Cllr Green proposed that the broken picnic bench, formerly situate, on Altarnun Village Green be replaced with a new one and the clerk be authorised to procure an identified item at a cost of £489 (VAT inc), which has been confirmed as eligible expenditure from the APC Community Infrastructure Levy reserve. Cllr Wendon seconded, and it was **resolved** to procure the item as proposed. The clerk confirmed that VAT paid would be reclaimed.

**145/22 John Wood memorial**

Cllr Branch reported that the family of John Wood deceased would like to plant a tree in his memory on either Mill Green or the Village Green. The clerk advised that there would be a requirement to put the request forward to Cornwall Council for approval but did not expect any reasonable request to be refused.

**146/22 Correspondence – for information only.**

-Cornwall Council re Statement of Principles under Gambling Act 2005 – Licencing of local gambling.

-Cornwall Council public health team re heightened awareness of avian bird flu.

-Cornwall Council – meet the Cormac team 27.9.2022. Clerk and Cllr Parsons have responded and will attend workshop.

-Member of public regarding unruly behaviour on Penpont View green.

-Corserve – advising that generic details of service charges payable by residents at Penpont View will be made available to APC to assist prior enquiries received regarding provision of services.

-Cornwall Council – meet the leader (Cllr Linda Taylor) at Wadebridge 19.9.2022 at 7.30pm.

-SWWA – Online engagement offer 9.9.2022 9.30am-12.30pm to understand future water management planning.

-Cwall Assn of Local Councils – details of planning courses in October 2022 for councillors and clerks.

-Road closure order 18.9.2022 9am-15.30pm Downland – Pipers Pool.

**147/22 Advise time, date & venue of next council meeting, being 7.30pm 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at Altarnun Village Hall**

**These details for the next meeting were confirmed and Cllr Dowler closed the September meeting at 9.25pm.**