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DRAFT Minutes for the Meeting of Chacewater Parish Council, held on Wednesday
27th November 2024 at 7pm, Chacewater Village Hall (Killifreth Room)

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AGENDA

In attendance: Cllr R Knill (Chair), Cllr P Bearham (Vice-Chair), Cllr A Beckham, Ward Cllr D Tudor, Cllr E Carlyon, Cllr J Carley, Cllr P Chesworth, Cllr S Gribble, Cllr S Foster, Cllr K Ford

1. Apologies

Cllr S Grady, Cllr A Crocker, Cllr K Surgenor

2. To received declarations of interest

Cllr P Bearham declared an interest in agenda item 16.01/08.24 – an invoice raised by his company for work on the WI Hall Feasability Study.

3. Public Question Time

No members of the public present

4. Cornwall Councillors Report

Ward Cllr D Tudor was undecided as to the Cornish Lithium Planning application.

It was discussed that drilling for 24 hours a day, 7 days a week was not favourable but if this time was cut down then the drilling may need to continue for longer. It was agreed that the main consideration was noise buffering and for the drilling to be completed as quickly as possible. Chacewater Parish Council (CPC) requested that Ward Cllr D Tudor ask where the consideration for noise mitigation is. As previously requested a plan is required along with the formation of a community group to address any complaints or concerns.

CPC will support this application provided the conditions are met.

Trevithick Road - Mr Appleby has now left so those with any damage that needs to be recompensed has no one to report this to. It is currently unknown as to who the project manager is.

Action: Cllr R Knill (Chair), Cllr J Carley and Ward Cllr D Tudor to visit residents to make a list of what the problems are.

Brookside – Ward Cllr D Tudor has contacted Mel Brain to ask whether a person with complex needs has been housed inappropriately. Currently Royal Mail will not deliver to where this person lives. It was suggested that perhaps Royal Mail could find an alternative solution as not delivering is not a suitable option. Cllr R Knill (Chair) has requested a copy of the police report.

Community Chest Grant – final amount available.

Action: Cllr R Knill (Chair) to complete online form.

5. Clerk's report – Matters Arising

05.01/08.24 – Update – HSBC – Clerk needs to be made the primary user on the online banking system. Cllr J Carley agreed to countersign online form. **Action:** Clerk to proceed.

05.02/08.24 – Update – EDF's continued billing for non-existent electricity supply at the New Recreation Centre – All incorrect bills have now been refunded and our account shows a nil balance.

05.03/08.24 – Update – EDF streetlighting – Still ongoing. **Action:** Clerk to send latest email to Cllr R Knill (Chair). Solar lights to be fitted. **Action:** Cllr P Chesworth to source 2x lights online.

05.04/08.24 – VAT claim has been produced for period 1st Oct 24 – 31st Oct 24 - £9,839.36

05.05/08.24 – Update – insurance renewal – Amendments to be made to policy. **Action:** Cllr R Knill (Chair) to have an initial look at the policy and provide recommendations for a working group.

05.06/08.24 – Quadiant – Cllr S Foster to update regarding finding a suitable position for the lockers – A conclusion as to the most suitable place for the lockers has still not been confirmed. **Action:** Cllr S Foster to contact Quadiant and request that the lockers be placed as the front of the WI Hall and to confirm that it will be free of charge for them to be moved once the new building is completed.

05.07/08.24 – Cllr A Crocker and Cllr R Knill (Chair) to look at how to fix sign up by the school – This has been done.

6. Minutes of the Meeting held on 30th October 2024

Cllr R Knill (Chair) had re-worded the minutes that had previously been circulated and this amended version was presented and accepted at this meeting.

7. Planning Applications

To consider the following applications and any applications that arrive after publication of the agenda

PA24/08242

Works to Trees within a Conservation Area (TCA) - T1 - Ash. T2, T3 and T5 - Western Red Cedar. T4 - Macrocarpa. T6 - Holly. T7 - Horse Chestnut. T8 - Leylandii. Remove all.

Location: 8 The Terrace Chacewater Truro Cornwall TR4 8LT

Applicant: Mr Philip Tanswell

For information only – no action necessary.

PA24/07630

Listed Building Consent for installation of 6no. Solar PV panels on rear roof of the property

Location: 19 Fore Street Chacewater Truro Cornwall

Applicant: Mrs Ruth Thomas Cornwall Council
Grid ref: 174986 / 44390

CPC are in full support of this application.

PA24/08080

Retrospective application for extension to existing building to house farm machinery/livestock/straw

Location: Kerling Farm Kerley Chacewater Truro

Applicant: Mr Rodney Gregory

Grid ref: 175663 / 43771

Chacewater Parish Council (CPC) objects to this application as it currently stands. It would rather consideration of this application be postponed, so that it can be determined together with a long overdue retrospective application for another substantial barn on Kerling Farm (enforcement case EN23/00442 which succeeded enforcement case EN20/01006). That 100m long barn is located immediately to the south of Kerling Farmhouse, and has a further separate and recently constructed barn adjacent to it. It is difficult to establish whether the barn to the north of the farmhouse and the subject of PA24/08080 is necessary for agricultural purposes, given the extent of the other agricultural barns on site.

The cumulative impact of the barns is to create a near uninterrupted 200m of development along the ridge line, which we believe has a significant impact on the World Heritage Site (WHS) and landscape horizon, esp. as the site also emits extremes of light during periods of darkness.

CPC also notes that PA24/08080 relates to the replacement of a number of existing barns into one barn with a larger footprint, immediately. However, the application does not cover the southeast and southwest sections of this recently constructed barn. These sections are on previously undeveloped land. A CPC Councillor has raised this anomaly with Cornwall Council and asked if the application will be corrected to reflect this, but has yet to receive a response.

PA24/08621

Works to a tree subject to a Tree Preservation Order for Sycamore (T2) - fell due to poor form (following frequent surgery/management efforts). Tree is in an unsuitable position and is of low amenity value.

Replanting of a more suitable species would be considered.

Location: Hornblowers Sergeants Hill Chacewater Truro

Applicant: Ms Rosemary Robertson

Grid ref: 174879 / 44436

CPC are in full support of this application.

8. Other Planning Matters

08.01/08.24 - Correspondence received – Chacewater – Potential sites

Correspondence was received from the offices of Sarah Roberts regarding properties from Tregothnan previously offered for housing and land available. The most suitable site would be at the far side of Killiwherries.

Action: CPC and Ward Cllr D Tudor to meet with Sarah Roberts and Tregothnan to discuss.

9. Planning Decision Notices

PA24/07037

Suzanne Hutson

1 The Yard Fore Street Chacewater Truro Cornwall TR4 8FH

Application for works to Trees subject to Tree Preservation Order namely remove the branch of Tree 1 in order to take the branch and leaves off the roof of the property 1 The Yard. Permission has also been sought and agreed to trim small branches of Tree 2 back to the boundary line to clear the side access to 1 The Yard to 2 Sycamore trees.

APPROVED

PA24/05229

Mrs Evelyn Burdett

The Old School House Twelveheads Truro Cornwall TR4 8SL

Listed building consent for the renovation of dilapidated two bedroom dwelling including new internal walls and windows. Remedial works to external walls including lime pointing and render repairs to external elevations of former school house and chapel. Removal of unsafe modern internal structure to chapel and repair works to existing timber roof structure.

APPROVED

10. Agenda Items

10.01/08.24 - New Recreation Centre – update on works

- Slow progress but the roof is on and the steel frame has been ordered.
- The sports hall is being delivered in the first week of December.
- The football pitch has been cleared and a second quote has come in.
- The new exercise equipment has been ordered and another grant has been sourced for the fencing. All is on track for installation in January.
- There is additional SPF funding available which could be used for the entranceway, arts room and equipment and sports equipment as well as funding for staff. We should have some news before Christmas.
- Once open, there will be funding that we could access from Active Cornwall, Volunteer Cornwall and Sport England.
- The ramp has been reviewed today and the planning application will be submitted by Friday. Ward Cllr D Tudor to be copied in to the application.

10.02/08.24 - WI Consultation update

- It was approved that the planning application should be submitted. Proposed by Cllr P Chesworth and seconded by Cllr K Ford.
- The grant has officially been signed off.

10.03/08.24 - Digital Services/Internet and Marketing

- The emails are working again.
- The long email addressed was discussed and it was agreed that this would be kept for the time being but it would be monitored.
- What's On will need to be reconfigured to make the email addresses fit.

10.04/08.24 – Spending of the CIL of £4068.26 received last month

- Twelveheads Play Park metal picnic benches – A quote of £700 has been received for the benches to be refurbished, sand blasted and painted in bright colours. This spend was agreed. Proposed by Cllr A Beckham and seconded by Cllr E Carlyon.
- Extra exercise equipment – use the remainder of this money to go towards the amount that we need to contribute. Proposed by Cllr P Bearham and seconded by Cllr J Carley.

10.05/08.24 – Planning breach at Unit 5, Cornwall Business Park East, Celtic House, Scorrier, Redruth TR16 5FD

- This is now part of enforcement.

10.06/08.24 - Emergency Plan Flood Warden Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), etc.

- We have been awarded £735. Cllr R Knill (Chair) and Cllr E Carlyon to go to Macsalvors to pick up the equipment that is required.

10.07/08.24 – Enforcement issues

- Cllr R Knill (Chair) wrote to Alan Mason to ask him to update our matrix and all enforcement officers have been asked to provide an update. The finished document is expected next week. **Action:** Cllr R Knill (Chair) to chase for a reply.

10.08/08.24 - Twelveheads Play Park Metal Picnic Benches

- See agenda item 10.04/08.24

10.09/08.24 – Dates for CPC meetings

- It was discussed as to whether Wednesday or Friday evenings were preferred for the monthly full Council meeting. All agreed to continue on a Wednesday but to move the meetings if they fall in school holidays to maximise attendance. **Action:** Clerk and Chair to review.

10.10/08.24 – Equality and Diversity Policy, Sustainable Purchasing and Procurement Policy, Environmental Policy and Terms of Reference for Chacewater Recreation Centre to be reviewed and approved.

- Policies were reviewed and accepted. Proposed by Cllr J Carley and seconded by Cllr A Beckham.

11. Road Matters

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic

The below Road(s) will be temporarily closed to allow works to be completed on the highway.

If you have any queries regarding these works please contact the Utility direct on the number below. Any responses to this email received by Street Works will be forwarded to the Utility for them to respond.

Please note that this is only an Intention Notice and as of yet an Order has not been issued.

Please respond with any feedback within fourteen days from the date of this e-mail.

Location: Road From Junction At Sawmills Cottage To Junction East Of Black Dogs Shaft, Wheal Busy, Chacewater

Timing: 2nd January 2025 to 9th January 2025 (24 hours)

Contact: Ian Dean at Cormac Solutions Ltd on 0300 1234 222

Please click the following link for a map: <https://one.network/?tm=140788858>

12. PRoW

Cllr R Knill (Chair) and Cllr K Ford to go around the area and review. This will be followed by a meeting with Tyler Woodward.

There is £2,399.00 of the ELMP fund to be used. Perhaps for hire of a JCB for the access to Wheal Busy to enable water to run off.

13. Outside Bodies Reports

Chacewater Bowling Club – Next year is their Centenary Year to be celebrated with a Bowls England Devon and Cornwall match. CPC would like to do something for the celebrations. Work needs to be done to a tree outside the bowling club to redistribute it's weight. **Action:** Clerk to make planning application.

Chacewater Football Club – The pitch is currently unplayable so the team are looking for a temporary ground to play. Ward Cllr D Tudor suggested that the Community Chest Fund could help to fund a 3G pitch. Cllr P Bearham is helping with grant funding.

Chacewater Projects – The next meeting is tomorrow night at 7.30pm. Bonfire night was a huge success, however there were several complaints regarding parking as the village was extremely busy. Looking at ideas to alleviate this problem for next year such as the possibility of a park and ride from the garden centre?

Chacewater School – The Christmas Fair was held last Saturday and was a success raising between £800 and £850. Cllr R Knill (Chair) gave a road safety briefing to the children which was well received and the signs at the Community Garden car park have worked to a point.

Chacewater Village Hall – All going well and bookings are full.

Mining Villages Regeneration Group – The next meeting is in early January. The rural status report is due tomorrow morning. This is the action plan that feeds into the Community Action Plan.

Parish Emergency Plan – Cllr R Knill (Chair), Cllr S Foster and Cllr E Carlyon attended the Cornwall Community Flood Forum and gave a briefing. We are one of only six parishes to have produced an emergency plan.

Hallenbeage community liaison group – The next meeting is on the 25th of January 2025. Lighting is now on a timer and only stays on for an hour at a time. Cllr R Knill (Chair) contacted Sarah with regards to the lighting and expressed his appreciation of the quick response as the lights were turned off the next night.

Chacewater Community Energy Group – The next event is on the 17th of January 2025. Confirmation of key speakers from Cornwall Council has been received. The university has offered thermal imaging for those living in grade 2 listed buildings to look at how they can improve their EPC fundings. Once they have undertaken this survey then funding can be investigated in May.

Roseland & Truro Community Area Partnerships – The next meeting is on the 10th of December 2024. Affordable Housing is the current topic. Adam Fitzpatrick has been approached regarding the signs at Brookside and we are awaiting a decision.

Community Garden – The layout and planting has been completed on the top level. All the old timber from the front of the village hall has been repurposed and a new leaf collecting bay has been created.

14. **Monthly Inspection report** – Cllr A Crocker and Cllr R Knill

Cllr R Knill to submit report to the Clerk.

15. Correspondence Received

15.01/08.24 - Government Community Match Funded Defibrillator Scheme

There is further funding available, the deadline needs to be confirmed. This would be for a defibrillator to be kept inside the building at the new Recreation Centre. **Action:** Clerk and Cllr P Bearham to source prices.

15.02/08.24 – Tender Unsuccessful – The Great Outdoor Gym Company

The tender was prepared with Kompan specifications as they are the only company who supply the equipment that we require, such as the screens that do not require mobile phones as these are more accessible for all.

A representative of The Great Outdoor Gym Company came from Exeter to have a look at the site and asked if they could submit a tender.

Unfortunately, this company was not chosen in the tendering process as their equipment did not meet the specifications required and another company was chosen that was felt to me the most appropriate.

When they were told that they had been unsuccessful they wanted to see everyone's scores which Cllr P Bearham told them was not possible due to GDPR.

They were invited to attend tonight's meeting to discuss with CPC but they are based in Kent so did not attend.

CPC discussed this matter at length and concluded unanimously that the right decision had been made.

Action: Cllr R Knill (Chair) to prepare some words in reply that all councillors will agree to before the Clerk sends out.

15.03/08.24 – Telecommunications Resilience Planning – we already have an emergency plan in place.

15.04/08.24 – MJL Group Ltd – opening event – Cllr R Knill (Chair) will attend this event.

15.05/08.24 - Flooding risks and parked cars Station Road – this correspondence was just for our information and addressed by a resident to Cornwall Council.

15.06/08.24 - Infra24-258 Bissoe Highway Improvements – CPC support the residents of Bissoe in retaining the 30mph zone. **Action:** Cllr R Knill (Chair) to write some words to be sent.

16. Finances

16.01/08.24 Payments / Transfers / Income

To approve the following payments:

Employee Salaries	CA1	£1,255.83	BACS
Jackie George	CA1	£600.00	BACS
Clear Councils – Insurance (paid)	CA1	£1,321.95	BACS
Ecotricity - Conveniences	CA2	£42.80	BACS
Ecotricity – WI Hall	CA1	£82.14	BACS
Tregothnan – Twelveheads Playing Fields rent	CA1	£50.00	BACS
St Piran Community Builds – 24057 (paid)	CA1	£24,401.86	BACS
Southwest Community Builds	CA1	£7,920.00	BACS
Poppy Appeal – wreaths (paid)	CA1	£45.00	BACS
WI Hall Cleaning	CA1	£78.00	BACS

Direct Debit Payments

South West Water	CA1	£8.50	DD
Vodafone	CA1	£35.20	DD
Suez	CA1	£59.05	DD

Payments Received

Bank Balances: as at 31/10/2024

CA1	£ 5,626.02
BMM	£ 368,562.23
Total:	£ 374,188.25

Finance agreed unanimously. Proposed by Cllr P Chesworth. Seconded by Cllr S Gribble.

Matters for future consideration:

Cllr S Gribble brought to our attention a tree hanging over the road on Church Hill. **Action:** Clerk to put in a planning application to remove the overhanging branches.

Two benches to be replaced on Millennium Green. **Action:** Cllr R Knill (Chair) to obtain quotes.

Rafferty's is closing down on the 30th of December 2024. It would be advisable for the mower to go in for a service before they close and to invest in parts while we can source them locally. CPC authorised for this to go ahead. Proposed by Cllr R Knill (Chair) and seconded by Cllr J Carley.

Cllr S Gribble advised that the light outside of her house had been turned on to the road when it should be over the steps. **Action:** Cllr P Bearham to have a look.

Copper Cottages – no further update.

Meeting closed at 21:07