

# St Martin – By - Looe Parish Council

MINUTES FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AT 7.30PM HELD BY ZOOM ON THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2021.

## Attended by:

Chairman: Robert Henly.  
Vice-Chair: Roberta Powley.  
Parish Councillors: Barbara Reynolds, Andrea Lankston  
Simon Lawes, David Keeble,  
Mr Charles Hyde, Clerk and Proper Officer of the Council.  
County Councillor Armand Toms.  
PCSO David Billing.

## Public Question Time and Councillors Comments on Declared Interests:

**Caroline Petherick** – Informed the Parish Council that she is volunteering to monitor water quality in the Parish Steams.

Discussions ensued, which included recent reports of sewage spills into the sea off Millendreath, Plaidy and Seaton, and also agricultural run off into East and West Looe Rivers. The Environment Agency appear to be slow to react to reports. Surfers Against Sewage continue to monitor water quality on a daily basis.

Councillor Lawes asked the Clerk if he had had a response to the letter sent to Looe Bay Holiday Park about their sewage works and the rumoured problems with the new system, the Clerk has not had a reply and will follow this up.

## Agenda Item 1: Declarations of Interest:

None Declared.

## Agenda Item 2: Apologies for absence:

None.

## Agenda Item 3: Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting:

**3.1.1: Minutes for the Parish Council Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021.** It was proposed by Councillor Reynolds, seconded by Councillor Lankston and agreed 6 – 0 (Councillor Cummings did not attend the meeting therefore abstained), that they be taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

## Agenda Item 4: Planning Applications:

None received.

## Agenda Item 5: Planning Decisions received by the date of the meeting:

### **5.1.1: Application PA21/09836**

**Proposal:** Application for non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA17/05024 dated 30.08.2017. Please refer to the Planning Statement.

**Location:** Tregoad Holiday Park, St Martin by Looe, Cornwall, PL13 1PB.

**Applicant:** Tregoad Holiday Park Ltd

**Cornwall Council's Decision:** APPROVED.

**Noted.**

## Agenda Item 6: Planning Matters:

**6.1.1: National Planning Reforms White Paper** – Email circulated to all Parish Councillors from Liz Ahearn and a proposed response compiled by Councillor Nigel Cummings:

Discussions ensued and Councillor Cummings explained the reasons for a minor amendment he had made to the draft letter, also he highlighted that there currently are two pilot projects in the UK

with local councils, trying out new processes of communication and consultation. Following Councillor Cummings presentation, it was proposed by Councillor Lawes and seconded by Councillor Keeble that the letter be sent offering our support to Liz Ahearn. ALL AGREED.

**6.1.2: Comments on Planning Applications** – The Chairman explained that all future comments on Planning Applications should only be planning based, and that no personal opinions are submitted that may be published in the public domain. The way a Planning Application is presented to Cornwall Council is for them to monitor and for them to ensure they clearly represent the proposed development and its impact on neighbouring properties.

*Jill Spicer from Looe Country Park (who attended this meeting) suggested that photographs showing the impact of any development should always be included in an application, as is the case with Looe Town Council.*

**6.2: Correspondence:**

Forwarded by email where possible, information pack suspended this month.

**Agenda Item 7: – Finance.**

**7.1.1: Summary of Accounts.**

***Reconciled balances date 28/10/2021***

Opening Bank Balances 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2021	£20,729.08
Income to date	£16,088.32
Expenditure to date	£5,683.08
Balance to date	£31,134.32

**7.2: Accounts paid in October 2021.**

Cheque No	Organisation	Amount
BACS	CF Hyde – Clerks September expenses/ Poppy Wreath.	70.00
BACS	Clerks Salary September 2021	649.98
BACS	Nigel Cummings – Website Hosting and Maintenance, September.	20.00
BACS	Cornwall Council – Magazine Printing	42.08
BACS	Nigel Cummings – Website Hosting and Maintenance, October.	20.00
	Total	802.06

**7.3: Income in October 2021.**

7-Oct-21	Robert Henly, Roberta Powley TITHE MAP	£	26.00
19-Oct-21	Corill Bookshop Liskeard TITHE MAP	£	20.00
	Total	£	46.00

It was proposed by Vice Chairman Powley, seconded by Councillor Keeble that Items 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 are ratified. ALL AGREED.

**7.4: Requests for Funding received by date of meeting.**

None received.

**7.5: Receipts and letters of thanks received by the date of the meeting.**

None received.

## **7.6: Financial Business.**

### **7.6.1: Accounts to be paid in November 2021.**

It was proposed by Councillor Lankston seconded by Councillor Keeble that the following be authorised for payment. ALL AGREED.

Cheque No	Organisation	Amount
BACS	CF Hyde – Clerks October expenses.	50.00
BACS	Clerks Salary October 2021	649.98
BACS	Nigel Cummings – Website Hosting and Maintenance, November.	20.00
BACS	Annual Energy Allowance for the use of Clerks home as an office	500.00
BACS	Complete Weed Control – Weed Spray, No Man’s Land and Millendreath	144.00
BACS	Duchy Defibrillators – Annual Cost	336.00
	Total	1699.98

### **7.6: Financial Business:**

Nothing to report.

### **Agenda Item 8: Reports on Matters arising from the Minutes.**

**8.1.1: Millendreath Post Box** – Reported again Enquiry Reference # 211016-002038. Still no response despite a promise of a 3-day reply.

**8.1.2: Drains at Millendreath** – Reported Reference: W2170875. Confirmation received that this has been raised before and will be attended to.

**8.1.3: Missing 30 MPH Sign at Millendreath** – Reported Reference: W2170813. Response received from William Glassup below:

I have sought clarification on the Traffic Regulation Order that exists upon May Lane, Millendreath and the fact it’s never had 30mph signage (they are not missing).

May Lane is unrestricted from just east of its junction with the B3253 at Looe Bay Holiday Park all the way to Millendreath. By default, this should make that length 30mph by virtue of streetlights, because there is not an Order to derestrict it. It should still have 30mph signs, but StreetView does not show them for any year.

I have asked if I can legally place 30mph sign up at the streetlights and I have had the below response.

*‘Because there has traditionally been no 30mph limit displayed, as I understand it there should technically be a public consultation to put the signs up and make it enforceable. Having said that, it should be an easy one to get approved, particularly if the parish council and residents are keen – it would be more controversial to derestrict it. You may also wish to include a section of 30mph Order for the Unclassified no-through road that goes behind May Lane House, as there are no streetlights there.’*

This is an area that we will have to address when funding becomes available.

*Noted.*

**8.1.4: 18 Holland Road** – The Clerk has again written to Cornwall Housing about the vacant property. To date once again no reply has been received.

**8.1.5: New Field Gate facing the B3253** – Response received below from Morval Parish Council: Just to confirm that the Councillors agreed to report the new gate to planning as a breach as no application was made, sighting new entrance to the highway and possible risk of flooding as reasons. I will keep you up to date on any progress.

### **Agenda Item 9: Business received after publication of agenda:**

None received.

### **Agenda Item 10: Information received from CC and other Authorities:**

#### **10.1.1: Cornwall Council.**

**Communities and Devolution team** – Newsletters and Special Bulletins and Notices.

### **10.1.2: Other Authorities.**

Nothing received.

### **Agenda Item 11: New Business:**

**11.1.1: Defective Road Surface on the B3253 at No Man's Land –** County Councillor Armand Toms reported the pothole Reference: **W2171504**.

### **Agenda Item 12: Around the table:**

#### ***Councillor Reynolds:***

Nothing raised.

#### ***Councillor Lankston:***

Nothing raised.

#### ***Councillor Keeble:***

Nothing raised.

#### ***Councillor Lawes:***

**Millendreath Beach Café –** The café has closed due to a dispute with the buildings owners, the current operators have left the site.

#### ***Councillor Cummings:***

**South West Coast Path –** Councillor Cummings has personally been in contact with the National Trust and the countryside Officer James Clapp regarding reopening the access path located at Penhale Farm that was closed to the public by the National Trust a few years ago but is still used by Hang-gliding Clubs.

The conflict between walkers and pedestrians on the narrow highway was a real problem this year and reopening the path would resolve most of the issues. No reply has been received from The National Trust by the date of this meeting.

**PA21/06329 – Field at Bokenver & PA21/03256 Looe Country Park –** Has the Parish council had any feedback from Jonathan Luker following our response to his emails. The Clerk explained that to his knowledge Jonathan Luker has left the Council and that no feedback has been received.

*Jill Spicer from Looe Country Park (who attended this meeting) explained that a new Planning Officer has been in touch with their Planning Agent and themselves and a more positive approach appears to be the way forward.*

#### ***Vice-Chairman:***

Nothing raised.

#### ***The Chairman:***

**Bucklawren Road –** The drains need clearing out again as there has been flooding in many parts of the road recently. The Clerk to report to Cormac Solutions.

**2022 Meeting Dates-** The proposed dates need amending as 2<sup>nd</sup> June is a Public Holiday and the 9<sup>th</sup> June is the Royal Cornwall Show. Suggested dates of 16<sup>th</sup> June and 14<sup>th</sup> July were approved.

#### ***County Councillor Armand Toms:***

**Millendreath Beach –** Many thank to Councillor Lawes for resolving the problem of metal bolts appearing on the beach at Millendreath.

**Tregoad entrance road pot hole –** Reported by Matt Way to Councillor Toms who will report it to Cormac.

#### ***PCSO Dave Billing:***

**Police Report –** Only one crime reported in the Parish the theft of a fence from the Monkey Sanctuary, a timely reminder to ensure everything is locked away. Black BMW being monitored, it is now legal with the correct licence plates.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021 at 7.30pm The **Parish Council Meeting** at the No Man's Land Memorial Hall.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.49pm.

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## **2022 Meeting Dates**

January 13th	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting.
February 3rd	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting.
March 3rd	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting.
April 7th	7.15pm	Annual Parish Meeting.
	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting.
May 5th	7.15pm	Annual Parish Council Meeting, election of officers
	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting.
June 16th	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting.
July 14th	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting.
September 1st	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting.
October 6th	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting.
November 3rd	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting.
December 1st	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting.

Meetings in person at No Man's Land Hall unless exceptional circumstances prohibit face to face meetings in which case, they will be by Zoom.