

16th March 2021

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SANCREED PARISH COUNCIL HELD VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM ON 16TH MARCH 2021 AT 7.30PM

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Councillors Mr Ian Soulsby (Chairman), Mrs Hilary Harris, Mr Stuart Thomas, Mr Ivor James, Mr Michael Harvey and Mr Mark Hawkins.

ALSO PRESENT

Councillor Mrs Helen Hawkins, Mrs Alexis Male (clerk) and four members of the public.

21-120 APOLOGIES

No apologies were required.

21-121 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

21-122 PUBLIC SPEAKING

- There was a query about there only being one Vehicle Activated Sign in Drift and a question of why traffic travelling was not being monitored. The Chairman explained that, at present there were only two signs and they were being shared between Newbridge and Drift.

21-123 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th February 2021 had been previously circulated, it was resolved that they were a true and correct record and were signed.

21-124 UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Information had been sent from Cornwall Association of Local Councils including a link for nomination papers. Hard copies had been delivered to the clerk and Councillor Mrs Harris offered to collect them for present councillors.

21-125 CLIMATE EMERGENCY DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT (DPD) PRE-SUBMISSION DRAFT

It was agreed that councillors should respond individually.

21-126 FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS

- Drift Reservoir Car Park – The clerk had received replies from Cormac's Assistant Highways and Environments Manager, Andy Hoskin, explaining the legalities that prevented it becoming a car park and Cornwall Council's Strategic Parking Manager, Craig Taylor, saying that the area was not within the Parking Services portfolio of properties that they manage because it is designated as adopted highway. However, Councillor Mrs Hawkins had had a reply from the same person with conflicting information. Councillor Hawkins felt that, at least the seed had been planted. There followed a discussion about being able to 'ticket' cars without road tax etc but that the matter could not rest or overnight stayers would return. It was pointed out that, historically, there had been signage on the verge about overnight staying. Councillor Mrs Hawkins agreed to forward the email from Craig Taylor to the clerk.
- Drift Car Park – It was reported that the trailer was still in situ.
- Vehicle Activated Signs – Councillor Mark Hawkins reported that the VAS had gone up around 20th February 2021. One pole in Drift had been put up in the wrong place and he had agreed with Cormac that it would now be put on the verge at the crossroads where the bus stop presently stood. However, this would not happen until May. Councillor Hawkins

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also provided some data collected between 20th February and 14th March 2021: twenty-nine thousand and twenty-eight vehicles had triggered the sign; the highest speed logged had been 69.2mph; approximately sixty five per cent had been speeding. Councillor Hawkins expressed a wish to have the data put on the website so that it was in the public domain for anybody to view. Councillor Mrs Harris told councillors that Health and Safety had confirmed that it would be unsafe to have the VAS on the lamppost that had been suggested so the post on the verge that was sued by the Police had been utilised. It had been noticed that drivers were slowing down when they saw the camera. There was a problem that the battery had only lasted for twenty seven thousand triggers and there was a suggestion that the solar panels be returned and they be replaced by four batteries and two back plates with a refund for the balance.

Councillor Stuart Thomas left the meeting.

Several people disagreed with the siting of the post at the crossroads in Drift but Councillor Mark Hawkins insisted that they were incorrect. There was a discussion about the size of the solar panel and the difficulty lifting it into position. The clerk pointed out that she had agreed with Streetworks that they would install the VAS free of charge and that she had originally said that, if the signs were to be moved, it would be advisable to have a solar panel on all poles so that it did not need to be moved. It was agreed that Councillor Mark Hawkins would negotiate with the supplier re the earlier suggestion.

21-127 PLANNING

• Applications

- PA21/01223 - Mr John Angwin - Replacement of existing double garage with new residential dwelling at Ennis Vale, Sancreed. It was agreed not to offer any objections.

• Decisions

- PA21/00312 – Mr William James - Outline application for the construction of three self-build open market bungalows with all matters reserved at Land Adj To Ty An Gwyn, Sancreed. Withdrawn.

• Correspondence

- Councillor Mrs Hawkins told councillors that PA19/11088 had been referred to the Planning Committee which would meet on 6th April 2021 and she would let the council have more information when it was available.

21-128 FINANCE

• Payments were agreed for

Pip Morse	£ 2400.00	Footpath Maintenance
HM Revenue and Customs	£ 141.00	
Alexis Male	£ 563.26	Clerk's salary
Alexis Male	£ 43.17	Zoom

- Women's Centre Cornwall re Request for a donation - It was the policy of the council that, apart from Cornwall Air Ambulance, donations would only be made within the parish. It was agreed not to make a donation.

21-129 MEMORIAL SEAT FOR THE LATE COUNCILLOR BILL MADDERN

As Councillor Stuart had had to leave the meeting, the clerk was asked to liaise with him and Robert Eddy about this matter.

21-130 WEBSITE

Councillor Mark Hawkins said that this was going well thanks to the Chairman and Councillor Stuart Thomas. Some information was required from the clerk. It could go live soon.

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21-131 REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

- West Penwith and Hayle St Ives Police Liaison meeting, Thursday 18th February 2021 – No councillors had attended so Councillor Mrs Hawkins reported that the first and main item had been about the forthcoming G7 Summit which she felt would have no effect in Sancreed. There had also been discussion about a speed/information gun which PCSO Andrew Tonkin was keen to obtain for the area at a cost of about £10000; information could be sent to the appropriate department about any vehicle. Councillor Mrs Hawkins also informed councillors that this meeting would alternate with the Community Network Panel meetings.

21-132 UPCOMING EXTERNAL MEETINGS

- West Penwith Community Network Panel, Thursday 18th March 2021. No councillor offered to attend.

21-133 ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

There was no additional correspondence.

21-134 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- The Chairman informed councillors that he had received a call from a former bus driver who was expressing concerns over big buses using the present route and over somebody being seriously hurt. Both the clerk and Councillor Mrs Hawkins had contacted the company.
- The clerk was asked to check that members of the public who were moving the VAS were covered under the council's insurance.
- The clerk informed members that she was tendering her resignation as clerk and would work her one month's notice.
- There was no other business. Councillor Mrs Hawkins suggested that Cornwall Association of Local Councils be contacted because they could provide temporary cover. The Chairman would do this.

21-135 ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

- There were no additional matters to be included.

21-136 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was set for Tuesday, 20th April 2021. This meeting would again be held virtually.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.41pm.

Chairman
20th April 2021