

Sancreed Parish Council – Ordinary Meeting

Venue: Sancreed Village Hall, Sancreed, Penzance TR20 8QS

Date: Tuesday 16th August 2022 at 7.00 pm

Minutes

Present

Councillors: Stuart Thomas (Chairman), Kate Goodman, Hilary Harris, Michael Harvey, Mark Hawkins, Ivor James, Peter James and William James.

Others: Brian Clemens (County Councillor), Cassandra Crisp (Clerk) and one member of the public.

Chairman's Welcome

Stuart Thomas welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked the Councillors to speak up as there had been a complaint from a member of the public regarding the previous meeting.

Apologies

David Haigh – accepted.

Minutes

It was resolved that the minutes of the Sancreed Parish Council meeting held on 19th July 2022 having been previously circulated, should be signed as a true and correct record.

Declarations of Interest

None.

Public Participation

A member of the public spoke to urge the council to reject a Mayor for Cornwall on the basis of, amongst other things, that we are a democracy and that it would be better to spend money on care and education.

Chairman's Comments

None.

Councillors Comments

Hilary Harris enquired whether the Transport meeting had been held. Brian Clemens responded that it had and the key items of note were; bus and train timetables had been linked up and both the St Just bus route and cheap fares will revert back in September.

Kate Goodman reminded the council that the village hall will not be available for the next meeting due to a toilet upgrade.

Cornwall Councillors Comments

I will start tonight with an update on the Network Panel, as you will all be aware the Network Panels have undergone an extensive review there is to be another meeting in a couple of weeks to update Chairs and vice Chairs on all that has been discussed over the last two meetings.

As it stands some proposals have been put forward for discussion at this meeting, the panels will if adopted be sixteen in number not the previously suggested 10 panels as you can imagine the size of the panels would have been it was felt by many far too large to effectively manage.

The emphasis will be on a bottom up approach where the local councils will be at the forefront of driving the panel in their area and having a degree of control over some of the money promised under the devolution package that has been put forward.

Also at panel level it is proposed that we will have a dedicated team of officers from planning, enforcement and highways that will answer to the panel members, much like the District Council did pre Unitary.

Along with funding there will be the opportunity to control services and tailor them to each areas needs as opposed to the one size fits all approach we have now.

Meetings will be at a frequency that we as members decide is most productive for us, money from the shared prosperity fund will be allocated to each panel with specific goals to be achieved and there will be the opportunity to bid for funding for local projects.

The main point I have made in the previous two meetings is I believe that smaller rural councils need a fairer funding formula as the bulk of schemes are beyond the reach of them and they are the very councils that need the funding to enhance the quality of life for the community in place so as the community thrives instead of dying on its feet, many of those present also felt this to be one of the most important issues.

As I said at the start these are only proposals at the moment but I and Sue will continue to fight your corner to get the best deal possible.

All this means the life of Town and Parish councils will get busier but we will have more control over the very things that make our communities' better places to live.

The burden on local members like myself will increase as we will be responsible for attending forums with local leaders and outside bodies to make sure the whole community is included.

Also there will be regular panel Chairs and vice Chairs meetings with officers and Cabinet to attend.

It goes without saying that the time Chairs and vice Chairs will have to put in will rise dramatically so the question was asked will we be compensated adequately for our time or not, my best estimate is

if all proposals are taken forward it could amount to one and a half days per week for the Chair on top of the normal duties of a Divisional member.

This is just a brief overview of the proposals there is far more to come but I hope this gives at least some idea of what we could have, basically more say over how our parishes are run, more control over officers and direct links to Cabinet and senior officers within the Council.

The next meeting of the Network Panel on the 15th of September will be the AGM.

Clerk's Comments

None.

Action points from previous meetings (if not covered elsewhere in Agenda)

- Jubilee trees - replacement apple trees to be planted at an appropriate time. **Action: Paul Nicholson to purchase trees and plant accordingly (later in the year).**
- Jubilee – plaques – agreed to purchase A5 sized signs as quoted from PlusPrint, with white writing on a purple background. It is agreed that the wording would be:
Trees planted by Sancreed Parish Council
To celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II
2022
Action: Clerk to arrange accordingly (agreed outside of the meeting to delay this action).

New Items for the Agenda

- Mayor for Cornwall – to following motion was agreed - Sancreed Parish Council believes that the way Cornwall is governed is extremely important to our local residents. We note the emerging proposals for a possible change to a powerful Mayor of Cornwall with their own staff, budget and choice of Cabinet. We believe that such a system should only be implemented if the people of Cornwall support it. We call on Cornwall Council and our local Cornwall Councillors to ensure that there is a referendum of all voters in Cornwall on whether to introduce this significant change, as set out in the relevant legislation. **Action: Clerk to write to Cornwall Council accordingly and to send Councillors a link to a petition (complete).**
- Newbridge – bench – awaiting information requested from potential suppliers.
- Newbridge – bin – since the area was planted the littering problem had ceased therefore the bin is no longer required.

Footpaths and Highways

- Footpaths committee – the following proposals were agreed:
 - To put forward the full PLP recommendations for path priorities (Gold / Silver / Bronze) to CC. **Action: Clerk to contact Cornwall Council accordingly (complete).**
 - Where path 117/27/1 is to be moved from Bosence Farm yard through nearby fields to the north - erect five kissing gates (plant hire will be provided on a voluntary

- basis) - to be paid as part of £2k grant from PLP. **Action: Clerk to contact PLP accordingly (complete).**
- Botrea Lane – erect 2 signs. **Action: William James to contact the Footpath Preservation Society accordingly.**
- To improve access at Little Sellan on path 117/5/5 - erect 2 directional signs. **Action: William James to contact the Footpath Preservation Society accordingly.**
- To improve access at Roskennals - erect a sign at junction of paths 117/5/5 and 117/9/1. **Action: William James to contact the Footpath Preservation Society accordingly.**
- Bosvenning Lane – footpath removed. **Action: William James to follow up.**
- Footpaths committee – the following proposals will be discussed again at the next meeting:
 - As part of 117/27/1 move - Pip Morse to cut back the path where grown in – to be paid by parish council funds.
 - Path 117/25/3 – erect 1 stile – to be paid by parish council funds.
- Drift car park – urgent works to correct dangerous exit to road have been completed (there will be no claim from parish council funds).
- Drift car park – potentially abandoned car was removed on 31st July.
- Drift roadworks – Rupert and Ian from Highways have walked the work and the following changes are under review:
 - Eastbound sign to be moved to gated entrance (in line with Westbound sign)
 - Footpath kink to be removed
 - Vegetation to be cut back around sign
 - Brightness concern regarding sign to be looked into
 - Stop sign from Drift visibility to be reviewed
- Speedwatch - the Drift area has been surveyed for community speedwatch purposes and indications are that it will be approved.

Planning

Applications:

- PA22/06454 - Rosemergy Cottage St Buryan Penzance Cornwall TR19 6EQ - Proposed single storey extension to principal dwelling and construction of 1 bedroom annexe - Mr And Mrs Jean-Philippe And Karen Curdy – agreed that Sancreed Parish Council have no objection to this application on the basis that the site is cleared up and the mobile home removed. **Action: Clerk to respond to Cornwall Council accordingly (complete).**
- PA22/07301 - School House Sancreed Road Sancreed Cornwall - Conversion, construction of replacement extensions, construction of detached garden studio and associated works - Mr J Burt – agreed that Sancreed Parish Council oppose this application on the basis that the proposed more modern materials are not in keeping with the surrounding area ie should be slate roofed and granite faced. **Action: Clerk to respond to Cornwall Council accordingly (complete).**

Decisions:

- None.

Planning applications received after last meeting but responded to prior this meeting:

- PA22/02000 - Land South East Of Treneglos, Sancreed - Application for Outline Planning Permission with all matters reserved for the construction of two detached dwelling houses – Cornwall Council recommend refusal – via email the parish council agreed to request that the application be determined by the Planning Committee as the site could be considered in fill and the land is not agricultural land.
- PA22/04918 - Application for outline planning permission with access for the construction of a detached open market dwelling - Land between Burra Wallah and Sancreed Village Hall, Sancreed, TR20 8QT – via email the parish council agreed to disagree with the recommendation.

Any other matters concerning planning in the parish

- PA21/10747 - Application for Permission in Principle for the Construction of a self build dwelling on previously developed land - Land And Buildings Adj To Brye Cottage – refused - going to appeal - SPC objected.

Finance

Payment of accounts:

- The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2022 - £100 – agreed (cheque signed)

Confirmation of standing orders:

- Salary (Clerk) – C Crisp - £303.20 - noted

Payments received:

- Community funds – Sancreed Village Hall - £1068.10 (received 26/07/22)
- Community chest grant – Cornwall Council - £500 (received 04/08/22)

Other finance matters:

None.

Risk assessments / inspections

Play park – agreed to remove this item from the agenda next month. **Action: Stuart Thomas to fix the gate.**

Newbridge – agreed to replace apple trees in appropriate season same as Drift.

Drift reservoir – there have been 4 instances of fly tipping – Cornwall Council have responded and cleared the area very quickly.

Location	Asset	Last inspection date	Inspected by	Observations	Outstanding actions
Sancreed	The Glebe - includes; seat,	09/05/22	ROSPA	Gate, Swings and grass	Gate and swings

	goalposts & poo bin				
Sancreed	Bus shelter	21/01/22	Stuart Thomas	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Sancreed	Noticeboard	11/03/22	Kate Goodman	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Sancreed	Seats - by the Church (two of)	21/01/22	Stuart Thomas	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Drift	Car park	14/01/22	Mark Hawkins	Car park sign has been knocked and is leaning but is leaning away from the car park and is solid – no concerns	None
Drift	Noticeboard	11/03/22	Mark Hawkins	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Drift	Seat	15/02/22	Mark Hawkins	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Newbridge	Noticeboard	21/07/22	Hilary Harris	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Newbridge	Seat	21/07/22	Hilary Harris	Bench cleaned and oiled. Now in good order / nothing of concern	None
Newbridge	VAS 1	15/01/22	Hilary Harris	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Newbridge	VAS2				

External Meetings

Reports from external meetings attended:

- West Penwith Community Network Panel – Thursday 21st July 2022 @ 19:00 – report sent by email from Hilary Harris:

This was, once again, a hybrid meeting.

Various topics covered, starting with James Hardy advising he will be leaving CCC and working for Penzance Town Council.

Future of CNP meetings were discussed, geographical areas will be changed. Full consultation will take place in September.

LEVELLING UP AND SHARED PROSPERITY FUND: This is for period 2022 - 2025, and will amount to £132 million of Government funding to replace EU funding following Brexit, and will be split into different schemes, these are for communities, local businesses etc. Perhaps Sancreed Parish Council could consider applying via website 'goodgrowth@cornwall.gov.uk?'

TRANSPORT: meeting was held end of last week to express concerns with changes in routes, timetables etc.

HIGHWAYS SCHEME: 20 is plenty, Sancreed still not included!! Template will be forwarded explaining what warrants 20 mph. There will be an update in August with estimated delivery times.

Representatives then had their say about issues in their areas. Requests were made for more County Councillors to attend, and also speaker to attend next meeting from enforcement office to explain what/why/how.

Next meeting will be AGM so nominations required for Chair/Vice Chair.

Details of upcoming external meetings:

- West Penwith Community Network Panel – Thursday 15th September 2022 @ 19:00
- West Penwith Community Network Panel – Thursday 17th November 2022 @ 19:00
- West Penwith Community Network Panel – Thursday 19th January 2023 @ 19:00
- West Penwith Community Network Panel – Thursday 16th March 2023 @ 19:00

Items for next meeting agenda

None.

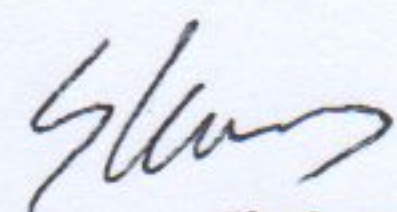
Additional item

A member of the public enquired about the narrowing of the bridge at Newbridge, mentioning that in their opinion the proposed changes may make the road more dangerous. Stuart Thomas replied that there was an appropriate public consultation last year.

Next meeting

Ordinary meeting on Tuesday 20th September at 7.00pm in Sancreed Village Hall.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.28pm.



Chairman

27th September 2022