

Sancreed Parish Council – Ordinary Meeting

Venue: Mary Williams Memorial Hall, Sancreed, Penzance TR20 8QS

Date: Tuesday 17th January 2023 at 7.00 pm

Minutes

Present

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

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

Chairman's Welcome

Stuart Thomas welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies

David Haigh - accepted.

Minutes

It was resolved that the minutes of the Sancreed Parish Council meeting held on 20th December 2022 having been previously circulated, should be signed as a true and correct record.

Declarations of Interest

James Bottrell, Michael Harvey, Ivor James, Peter James and William James declared an interest regarding the Penwith Moors SSSI consultation.

Public Participation

A member of the public requested clarification on whether councillors who declared an interest in the SSSI consultation could speak on the matter – and was advised that they could not.

A member of the public mentioned footpath 117/20/1 has tape across the stile. **Action: William James to speak with the landowner (complete).**

Chairman's Comments

None.

Councillors Comments

None.

Cornwall Councillors Comments

Cornwall Council have agreed to raise council tax to 200% for second homes – and they have requested powers to raise it to 300%. SSSI discussion at the meeting at St Johns Hall will be limited to 40 mins – Derek Thomas can attend but George Eustice can not. Cornwall Council have not been consulted by Natural England about the SSSI – they can just fill in the online form as can the public. Devolution deal will be discussed at the 25th Jan network panel meeting (over Teams). There will be a police liaison meeting in February.

Clerk's Comments

- Information Commissioners Office – we need to register - agreed to go ahead with the registration via direct debit. **Action: Clerk to arrange accordingly.**
- Website – recommendation to review website provision basis annual costs. **Action: Clerk to add to next agenda (complete).**

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

- Jubilee trees - replacement of apple trees. **Action: Paul Nicholson to purchase trees and plant accordingly during the planting season.**
- Jubilee plaques – instalment of signs. **Action: Paul Nicholson to install accordingly.**

New Items for the Agenda

- Penwith Moors SSSI – it was agreed to respond to the Natural England consultation as follows:
 - B1. Do you wish to submit a representation to the notification of Penwith Moors SSSI? Yes, I object to the notification. We would support the SSSI covering the moorland only but not the inclusion of enclosed farmland. Some farms would become unviable which would in turn negatively impact the landscape.
 - B2. Do you accept the scientific rationale, as detailed in the supporting information document, behind the notification of this site for its special interest? No. We do not accept the rationale with regard to enclosed farmland.
 - B3. Do you agree that the boundary of the SSSI appropriately encompasses the features of special interest? No. We do not agree that enclosed farmland should be included within the boundary.
 - B4. Do you agree with the views about management? No. Not where enclosed farmland is concerned.
 - B5. Do you agree that the operations requiring Natural England's consent are appropriate? No. Some operations are suitable for moorland / roughland etc, but this is already occurring. The majority of restrictions would make farming unviable.

- B6. Do you have any additional evidence or further comments that you wish to submit in relation to the SSSI? Yes. The land is as it is because of the care taken of it by the indigenous community including farmers over many generations. These proposals will mean that the landscape you are trying to protect will change.
- Mayor for Cornwall – it was agreed to respond to the Cornwall Council consultation as follows:
 - 11. To what extent do you agree or disagree that Cornwall Council should accept the proposed Deal including the change to an elected Mayor which is a requirement of the Deal? Disagree strongly.
 - 12. Why do you say this? We do not want a Mayor.
 - 13. Do you have any other comments or anything else we should consider about the proposed Deal including the changes to an elected Mayor which is a requirement of the Deal and the other proposed governance changes? This includes any positive or negative impacts on you. We do not want a Mayor. This questionnaire is undemocratic.
- IT equipment – it was agreed to invest in new IT equipment for the Clerk (as follows):
 - HP 14s-dq2512na 14" Laptop - from Currys £374.17 (ex VAT)
 - HP ENVY Inspire 7924e All-in-One Wireless Inkjet Printer & Instant Ink with HP+ - £108.32 (ex VAT)
 - All equipment to be shared on a 50% basis with Zennor Parish Council.

Footpaths and Highways

- Footpaths committee – collapsed bridge on footpath 117/39/1 falls within St Buryan parish. **Action: Clerk to notify St Buryan PC (complete).**
- Faulty Newbridge VAS – the unit has been collected by a Newbridge volunteer but it's not currently up.
- A30 at Drift – overgrown foliage is no longer an issue.
- Tremethick Cross – concern about the safety of the junction – outstanding from previous meeting. **Action: Peter James to provide details so the Clerk can report to Madron PC.**
- Salt / grit bins – it was agreed to purchase three large grit bins for the parish. Highways to come out for a site visit to agree siting and sizes required. **Action: Chairman to attend meeting with Highways, Clerk to order the bins (complete).**

Planning

Applications:

- None.

Decisions:

- PA22/09871 - Mr Robert Adcock - Beacon Cottage Sancreed Penzance Cornwall TR20 8QR - Provision of a single storey rear kitchen extension and conversion of an attached garage into a studio office – Approved – noted.
- PA22/09268 - Mrs Suzanne Webb - Bosvenning Cottage Newbridge Penzance Cornwall TR20 8QN - Certificate of lawfulness for proposed stationing of a caravan within the curtilage of the dwelling – Granted – noted.

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

- None.

Any other matters concerning planning in the parish

- None.

Finance

Payments of accounts:

- LMP footpath cutting – Pip Morse Landscape & Gardening Services - £2,959.16 - agreed.
- Grass cutting – Pip Morse Landscape & Gardening Services - £600.00 - agreed.
- Website update - Cornwall Trade Network (Audana Ltd) - £40.00 – agreed.
- Registration fee - Information Commissioners Office - £35.00 – by direct debit - agreed.

Standing orders:

- Salary (Clerk) – C Crisp - £323.20 – agreed.

Payments received:

- None.

Other finance matters: Budget 2022/23 – to agree the budget (previously circulated).

- Quarterly finance update – year to date as below – approved

Receipts / Payments

Receipts total £13,372.24

Payments total £6,961.89

Balances

Brought forward £13,122.54

Net surplus / deficit £6,410.35

Carried forward £19,532.89

Represented by

Current account £19,532.89

Uncleared payments £-

Uncleared receipts £-

Total balance £19,532.89

- Budget for 2023/24 – as below – approved

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>£10,431.78</u>
Precept	£7,263.16
LMP	£3,168.62

<u>Payments</u>	<u>£10,427.62</u>
Wages (Clerk)	£4,000.00
Insurance	£400.00
NALC, CALC & ICO	£395.00
Room Rent	£274.00
Footpaths	£3,168.62

Grass cutting	£600.00
Other	£50.00
Website	£580.00
Auditor & Legal	£150.00
Poppy appeal	£100.00
The Glebe	£125.00
Hardware and Software	£200.00
Ink etc	£85.00
Christmas Trees	£100.00
Training	£200.00

- Reserves for 2022/23 – as below - approved

<u>General Reserves</u>	<u>£7,263.16</u>
One year precept	£7,263.16

<u>Ear Marked Reserves</u>	<u>£6,247.50</u>
Contested election costs	£4,500.00
IT equipment replacement	£750.00
CIL funding	£997.50

- Mole Valley trade account – application form has been completed.

Risk assessments / inspections

Location	Asset	Last inspection date	Inspected by	Observations	Outstanding actions
Sancreed	The Glebe - includes; seat, goalposts & poo bin	09/05/22	ROSPA	Gate, Swings and grass	Swings
Sancreed	Bus shelter	17/01/23	Stuart Thomas	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Sancreed	Noticeboard	17/01/23	Stuart Thomas	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Sancreed	Seats - by the Church (two of)	17/01/23	Stuart Thomas	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Drift	Car park	17/01/23	Mark Hawkins	Car park sign has been knocked and is leaning but is leaning away from the car	None

				park and is solid – no concerns	
Drift	Noticeboard	17/01/23	Mark Hawkins	Perspex is becoming cloudy and may need replacing soon.	None
Drift	Seat	17/01/23	Mark Hawkins	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Newbridge	Noticeboard	17/01/23	Peter James	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Newbridge	Seat	17/01/23	Peter James	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Newbridge	VAS 1	17/01/23	Peter James	In good order / nothing of concern	None
Newbridge	VAS2				

External Meetings

Reports from external meetings attended:

- None.

Details of upcoming external meetings:

- 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

Website – potential replacement of.

Next meeting

Ordinary meeting on Tuesday 21st February at 7.00pm in the Mary Williams Memorial Hall.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.33pm.



Chairman

21st February 2023