

DULOE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on 21st April 2022

Present: Mr P Hallworth - Chair, Mr J Massey – Vice-Chair, Mr T Barrett, Mr J Sayles, Mrs T Beaumont, Mr R Patt, Mrs T Gordon, Mr P Champion, Mr R Champion, County Councillor Jane Pascoe, PCSO Steve Cocks, Claire Massey-McCarthy – Clerk.

	ACTION
1. Welcome The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were no declarations of interest. 2. Apologies Cllr Melvin Rigler 3. Public Participation 5 members of the public attended the meeting, all residents living locally to the Three Corners Meadow planning application and came to express their concerns and objections to the developments taking place. The following points/objections were raised: The development is an intrusion on an AONB. If the planning is allowed there are concerns for future building at the site/area. Traffic, fumes and the increased usage on the narrow roads. The lanes were very busy last year when the pop-up first took place. Concern over the human effluent from the compost toilets and where this will drain to. The aquifer supplies houses in the area, therefore, could be impacted by the effluent. Has a foul drainage assessment taken place? The site plan shows an area levelled for special events. Sounds travels and the campsite was very noisy last year, therefore affecting the peace and tranquillity of the area. Lack of privacy due to the landscaping of the area. Moved huge amounts of soil from the top of the field to the bottom, resulting in 50% loss of privacy and now overlooked. During the Covid 56-day pop-up campsite rule, the campsite was noisy, with parties, fires and there was a considerable amount of light pollution. The local area is well supplied with camping facilities and an additional facility is not required. Concern over large parts of the hedge being removed. Due to the topography of the land the noise travels and was very loud last year. Due to the amount of hardstanding in place we do not believe that after the 28 days of camping the site will be returned to its former state. The site is a mess, and there is blatant disregard to rules taking place. Understand that people are enjoying their holiday, but the light and noise went on until the early hours last year, therefore not acceptable.	

The Chair thanked everyone for taking the time to attend and for speaking about their objections. He added that many others have also expressed their concerns and felt that the Parish Council would support them in this matter. 4. Minutes of meeting held on 17th March 2022 The minutes of the meeting held on 17th March 2022 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair. 5. Police Community Support Officer. From 01/03/2022 - 31/03/2022 there were 2 crimes, that of 1 dog out of control and 1 firearm licensing. Due to the current economic situation PSCO Cocks advised that farms and landowners keep outbuildings and equipment locked. Thefts of oil and red diesel could be on the rise. PSCO Cocks asked that the public report anything they think is untoward and the Police will look in to it. Numerous patrols have been conducted around the Parish and all was found to be in order. If there are any questions or matters arising for my attention, then please contact me in the usual manner. 6. Matters Arising Wasteland opposite Shop – Clerk has sent letter. Trough and Gardening Club – the Chair reported that the flower bed has been cleared as well as the posts and signs removed. The Gardening Club meet next week to discuss planting scheme and way forward. Cllr Beaumont is liaising with Cllr Rigler with regards to the membrane donation. 7. Keepscombe Woods – the Chair gave the following update: The Cornish Times have published an article about the woods, which he was pleased to say was balanced in its approach. The article was written in response to the concerns raised by a resident from Tregarland Bridge. The owner’s father, Mr Dale has been in touch to say he has spoken with Planning Enforcement to look at a way forward. Remedial work has taken place to reduce the height of the shed, and Mr Dale was considering replacing the wooden fence with either trees, or a Cornish hedge. The owners have stressed they are committed to protecting the woodland and reversing as much damage as they can. The Chair visited the site and took photos of the damage caused by the previous owners and these will be forwarded to Planning for reference. Cllr Barrett said that clearly damage has been done to the woodland and it will never be the same in our lifetime but felt that the owners should be given time to prove their worth, as it will take a long time to make any progress. He added that Planning will decide and until decisions are made the Council will not hear anymore. The Chair said that another part of the woodland has now been sold – the flat part near Treworgey, and asked Cllr Patt to keep an eye on the situation and any developments.	Clerk
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8. Pras Gwartha – a meeting has been arranged for the 4th May to discuss the issues raised and to look at what has gone wrong with the buildings. Cllr Barrett added that it is a sad indictment of the state of the building trade and suggested that JJ Jones should be included in any meeting as they were involved in the build.	
9. Parish Paths Gate at Sowden's Bridge – Cllr Barrett has secured the gate. There is evidence of bikes using the path, going in via the gate or through the gap in the hedge/wall. Cllr Barrett asked if the gap could be blocked as motorbikes should not be using the footpath. Cllr Patt added that he has seen quad bikes using the paths as well and going up the hill to School Lane. The Chair said he will send the photos to Countryside Access to ask what can be done.	PHallworth
10. Highways Car park wall – the Chair reported the wall has been repaired to a certain extent. There are concerns with the upright stones on the top of the wall as could be a hazard and cause injury. County Cllr Pascoe will contact Highways asking if anything can be done to remove them.	Cllr Pascoe
Potholes – Cllr P Champion reported that the potholes had now been filled.	
11. Play area All in order, nothing to report. The Chair added that the grass had now been cut.	
12. New Cemetery Nothing to report. Like the play area, the grass will be cut soon. The Chair said he had checked the trees, and all were doing well.	
13. Public Convenience in Duloe The Chair informed the meeting that the concrete floor within the toilets is worn in places and is also a slip hazard and asked if Councillors agreed to looking in to replacing it. All agreed to obtaining quotes for non-slip flooring in both toilets.	Chair & Clerk
14. Health and Safety Defibrillators – the Clerk updated Councillors with regards to the training. Date has been set for Monday 23rd May at 7pm. 2hr session and free to all Parishioners. Please send Clerk names of those who would like to attend.	
15. Herodsfoot Cllr Gordon reported that the defibrillator in Herodsfoot was working and in good order.	
16. Recreation Ground Cllr Massey gave the following update:	

The gate and signs are now in place Looking at perhaps adding a lower bar to prevent dogs running across the road. The Chair enquired about the new benches near the container and if they can be moved further in to the field in order to prevent people using them to climb on the container. Cllr Massey will arrange. 17. Duloe Shop and Post Office Cllr Barrett gave an update on the Shop and PO: The shop continues to do well and has money in reserve. Volunteer numbers are looking good, and the team is working well together. The shop committee nominated Jim Eames for a Local Hero Award for his work during the lockdowns and he has been invited to attend a garden party at Buckingham Palace in May, which is well deserved. The shop will be re-opening on a Thursday and Tuesday afternoon, therefore on a full-time basis, as it has shown to be worthwhile opening and the PO money covers the running costs. 18. Platinum Jubilee Celebrations Cllr Barrett reported that the Committee have a plan of events and are now working to bring the bank holiday activities together. Helpers will be required to assist. 19. Correspondence <u>Cornwall Council</u> Cornwall Council Planning Consultation reference PA22/02733 CALC Membership Invitation - Duloe Parish Council Town and Parish Council Newsletter - 8 April 2022 CALC Teams meeting: CC restructure, business, budget planning. Town & Parish Council Update The Platinum Jubilee Parade invite- 12.30pm, Truro, Thurs 2nd June Cornish language - new developments and Platinum Jubilee £2.3m funding for Looe Flood Defence and Regeneration Scheme Weekly Planning Distribution Lists Agenda for East Sub-Area Planning Committee, Monday, 21st March <u>Other</u> CO0032 Duloe Parish Council – 2021/22 AGAR external auditor instructions Citizens Advice Bureau Parish information. Keepscombe Woods correspondence Sandplace to Looe train service correspondence 20. Planning Applications Application PA22/02733 Proposal: Change of use land for seasonal camping Location: Field Northwest of Trenant Cross Cottage, Duloe. Applicant: Mr O Armstrong Cllr Beaumont said that due to the number of complaints received and the feelings of the community she felt that the Parish Council should support them and object.	J Massey
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Cllr Barrett added that the sale of the land for the glamping site had fallen through and was now off the market. The letter of concern signed by 19 residents received about the glamping site reflects the same concerns raised by those attending the meeting today, and therefore believes that the Parish Council should object as with the previous glamping site.

Cllr R Champion said he would also like to see the Council object.

The Chair held a vote. The 9 Councillors present voted to object to the application. The motion was carried. Clerk to respond accordingly.

21. Accounts to be paid / Finance

- CALC membership 2022/23 £314.24 excluding VAT includes NALC subscription of £45.46. Cllr Barrett proposed to re-join CALC. Cllr Gordon seconded. All agreed.
- Mole Valley Farmers Country Membership 1yr - £10. Cllr Barrett to look at alternative membership packages.

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Expenditure

Clerk's salary (Feb)	£208.80
D Hilton	£ 10.00
D Hilton PAYE	£ 64.00
Amanda Walker (cleaning services)	£ 31.19
Priscilla Tucker (cleaning services)	£ 28.96
EDF (Street Lighting)	£378.23
Invoice JN744 Duchy Defibrillators Ltd	£228.00
Jubilee Centre (backdated phone charges)	£112.50
Newsletters	£222.00
Total	£1283.68

(note: expenditure already paid - £247.34 Platinum Jubilee expenses as agreed via emails)

Bank Balance: (as of 18 April 22)

Current Account

Balance	£8601.13
Income:	
Cornwall Council	£5050.22
Ugalde & Sons (burial fees x2)	£ 662.00

Deposit Account **£5737.82**

Income: Interest April £ 0.05

Cllr Gordon proposed expenditure be paid.

Cllr Massey seconded.

All agreed.

22. County Councillors Report

County Councillor Jane Pascoe gave the following update:

A new pilot scheme led by Cornwall Council to encourage more people to use the bus service will be introduced from April 10th. This follows a successful bid for

£23.5 million of Government funding. It will mean adult bus passengers will pay one-third less on their fares within Cornwall.

Although this is great news for journeys taken within Cornwall, residents in SE and East Cornwall will not receive the benefit of this scheme when travelling across the border for essential journeys to hospital or work.

Following the reduction of services which included the No. 11 service Liskeard/Bodmin and No. 73 service Liskeard direct to Derriford, I did make strong representation and the No 11 service has resumed, but a change is required at Bodmin Parkway Station, to continue to Bodmin. The Derriford service has been reduced to 2 hourly including a change at Saltash. Passengers on the buses need to increase to make the service financially viable for the bus company.

It was a privilege to be invited to witness the licensing of Reverend Ben Morgan-Lundie at St Martins Church. Looe. I was extended a warm welcome and thoroughly enjoyed the excellent hospitality.

I have received an email from Cornwall Heritage Trust explaining they are in the process of agreeing a long-term management arrangement for Duloe Stone Circle whereby they would look after the whole site; this would include new interpretation as one of the first jobs. County Cllr Pascoe will liaise with Cllr Beaumont with regards to taking this forward.

The Chair thanked both County Cllr Pascoe and Cllr Beaumont for their work so far.

23. Any Other Business

County Cllr Pascoe informed the meeting that an issue has been brought to her attention about the Looe Valley train line. Several people using the line have reported the train is not stopping at stations even though they are stood in view and waiting. County Cllr Pascoe has been advised this is due to trains needing to catch up on time when delays have occurred. Clearly this is not good enough and asked if the Council would agree to writing to the Rail Partnership to express concern. All agreed, Clerk to contact.

Clerk

Cllr P Champion asked about the car at Polvean Terrace that has been involved in an accident, and when it would be removed. The Chair reported that PSCO Cocks is looking in to it.

Cllr Beaumont asked when the newsletters would be ready for distribution. The Clerk reported they would be arriving on the 22nd of April and would distribute to Councillors as soon as possible. Cllr Beaumont added that several people had remarked they had not received the last issue, and she had reassured them that Councillors will do their best to deliver to all.

Cllr Gordon enquired about the football goals and if they have been purchased. The Chair said not as of yet as still looking in to costs. Cllr R Champion reported that Dobwalls Football Club may well be interested in purchasing one of the pair and will follow this up.

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24. Date and time of next meeting Next meeting 19 th May 2022, 7.30pm. AGM 7pm, 19 th May. The meeting closed at 21.15pm.	
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