

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 22nd JULY 2024
AT THE COSTAIN DEPOT, CARLAND CROSS**

Present: Cllr. C Wilson (CW)(Chair)
Cllr. A Stallard (AS)
Cllr. J McCulloch (JM)
Cllr. J Orrell (JO)
Cllr. A Hare (AH)
Cllr. R Hatt (RH)

Apologies: None.

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); Mr T Rees (Clerk's Assistant); Cllr. A Harvey (ADH);
Dave James (DJ) & Mark Blatchford (MB) (Costain)

1. Chairman's Announcements:

1.1 None.

2. A30 Carland Cross to Chiverton:

- 2.1 Dave James and Mark Blatchford gave an update. The following was discussed:
- Unclassified Road, Church Lane East cannot be cut until the Autumn due to bird nesting season. CW had also requested this with Cornwall Council who is writing to the landowner. Either way, the work cannot be done until the Autumn. CW commented that the recent decision to close off Church Lane West Steps (which have always been open for use) was disappointing as they provide the only circular run & dog walk from and to the village on the village side of the A30, particularly as the B road works are much further down the road.
 - DJ advised that the whole project will not be completed until March 2025. A scheme of works will be finalised by the end of the week and circulated to the Parish Council. CW & RH that the short section of the now B3288 from Herver Lane to Ashley Road be opened as a priority to ease the traffic flow through the village. **The Clerk will organise site a meeting with Cllr. Donnithorne, Vicky Fraser and Cllr. Harvey to discuss further.**
 - DJ will visit the playing field tomorrow to discuss the ground works and will then provide an update.
 - Ragwort needs removing at the Herver Lane Bend and Two Burrows exit onto the B3288. These roads have not yet been handed over to Cornwall Council and therefore, it is Costain's responsibility to remove it. **DJ to action.**
 - A local farmer has asked for permission to drive his straw lorries along the Herver Lane to Ashley Road section as it not possible to drive them through the village. He is happy to be escorted. It will be a small number of times in August. **DJ to action.**
 - DJ advised that the granite kerbs became waste material and were subsequently buried somewhere on site. Dissatisfaction was expressed at this situation as John Green (previous Costain employee) had assured the PC that the kerbs were being stored on site. JM & the Clerk will look for the correspondence confirming this and **DJ agreed to investigate.**
 - It was discussed that the island at the junction of Herver Lane and High Road has not been reinstated. DJ advised that this work is not programmed. This was disputed and **DJ agreed to investigate.**

- Costain will not create a footpath/bridleway from St. Frieda's to Two Burrows using the now unused road from Ashley Road tunnel. The programmed work is to create a bund and close boarded fence. JM advised that the previous Secretary of State had agreed to the creation of the PROW and he had correspondence confirming this. This will be discussed at the site meeting being organised with Cornwall Council (see above).
- Some of the new signage is confusing, particularly at Chybucca junction which indicates that you can get to Zelah on the B3288 but the road is closed before Marazanvose and at the Carland Cross Eastbound Off Slip where on the new A30, Zelah is shown as directly north, when in fact it is due south. There is also no signage to show that the slip road takes you to Goonhavern, Perranporth or St. Newlyn East. Both issues lead to traffic going through Mitchell. **DJ/MB to look at signage tomorrow.** National Highways and Cornwall Council are meeting on Wednesday to discuss the signage for the whole scheme.
- The ZVCA has requested that surplus signage and hardware be removed from the verges around the village. **DJ/MB to action.**
- The ZVCA has asked if any of the prefab site buildings will be available once the work is completed. DJ said that this is unlikely but he would investigate.
- DJ advised that the PC may not be able to use the meeting room at the Carland Cross Depot any longer due to the reduction in staff and buildings. It is the PC's preference to continue holding PC meetings at Carland Cross for the next couple of months. **DJ to confirm.**

3. Suggestions from Members of the Public

3.1 No member's of the public present.

4. Minutes:

4.1 **RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th June 2024, as circulated, were approved, and signed by the Chairman.**

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

6.1 None.

6. Police Matters:

6.1 No report. The Inspector who attended the recent CAP meeting said that all PC's should be receiving a crime report. However, those in the Truro area are not receiving them. **RESOLVED: Clerk to contact the Truro Inspector to request that the figures are provided in the future.**

7. Cornwall Councillor Report:

8.1 ADH advised that the Cabinet is pushing through the sale of the airport without consulting members.

8. Planning:

8.1 Applications: There were no applications.

8.2 Decisions:

PA24/02292 (Barn at Gwarnick Mill): Approved

PA24/00795 (Pennare Farm): Refused

8.3 Appeals:

APP/D0840/W/23/3335267 (Trelewick): It was **RESOLVED to make no further comment on this application.**

9. Playing Field:

9.1 Park Refurbishment Update:

As specified in 2.1, Costain will be visiting the site tomorrow and should then hopefully have a date of when the groundworks will take place. A brief discussion was held on how to proceed if Costain were unable to do the work. **NOTED.**

9.2 Zip Wire Repair:

The repair has been undertaken.

9.3 Apple Day Event:

The ZVCA has requested to use the playing field on 19th or 20th October for a community 'Apple Day' event. **RESOLVED: In principle the Parish Council agrees to the use of the event subject to further information being provided and confirmation of the insurance.**

10. Correspondence received from the ZVCA:

10.1 Matters dealt with under 2.1 and 9.3

11. Highway Issues:

10.1 None.

12. Matters to Report Concerning Rights of Way/Paths/Stiles/Maintenance:

12.1 Agenda items 13 (I), (III) & (IV) dealt with under 2.1.

12.2 Thanks were expressed to Mark Dalby (maintenance contractor) for the excellent job he has done in cutting the parish footpaths.

12.3 JM advised that there is an open mineshaft on Vicarage Downs, near St. Allen Church. The land is owned by the Church of England. **RESOLVED: JM to give details of the Land Agent to the Clerk so that she can write to request that it be closed.**

13. Correspondence:

13.1 Cornwall Council: Consultations on its Draft Gambling Policy and Housing Decarbonisation Strategy.

13.2 Cornwall Air Ambulance: Thank you letter for grant.

13.3 Cornwall Council: Details of planning training on 19th September (circulated)

13.4 Letter regarding the state of the road from the Wildlife Centre at Allet towards Nanteague Farm: It was discussed that this road is not in St. Allen Parish. Clerk to send correspondence to Cormac, with copy to Kenwyn Parish Council.

14. Finance: To Approve Spending, Accounts & Monthly Payment's

14.1

Income:	£0
HSBC Community Account:	£28,189.51
HSBC Business Account:	£27,639.28

RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £993.00 were approved for payment (see appendix 1).

14.2 External Audit 23/24 – Conflict of Interest:

RESOLVED: St. Allen Parish Council has no conflict of interest with the external auditor, BDO LLP. The form was duly signed.

15. Agenda Items for the August Meeting:

15.1 Neighbourhood Priority Statement: JM attended the CAP Meeting in the Chair's absence. He advised that the Saints CAP is looking at producing Neighbourhood Priority Statements for parishes without a Neighbourhood Plan. Although they won't have the same legal standing as a Neighbourhood Plan, they will offer guidance such as where development should take place, parish assets that should be protected etc. The CAP is looking for parishes to trial this initiative and JM suggested that St. Allen may wish to be considered. **RESOLVED: Clerk to submit an EOI to the Project Lead.**

16. Date of the Next Meeting:

16.1 The next meeting will be held on **Monday 19th August 2024 at 19.00hrs, Costain Depot, Carland Cross (venue tbc)**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.30hrs

Signed:.....
CHAIRMAN

Date.....