# MENHENIOT PARISH COUNCIL

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# Minutes 20 April 2023

Time: 7pm

Location: Old School, Menheniot PL14 3QY

Present: Cllr Jerry Tucker (Chair); Eve Easterbrook (Vice Chair); Cllrs; Tony Ball; Keith Goldsmith; Pat Cade; Peter Luck; James Curgenven; Adrian Cole.

Also present; John Hesketh (Clerk to the Parish Council). There were 7 members of the public in attendance.

### 44/2023 Chairman's Welcome.

The chair welcomed residents and councillors to the meeting and announced that he had received and accepted a letter of resignation from Lee Crocker. Cllr Tucker thanked L:ee for his service to the council and asked the Clerk to invite him to the May meeting to receive his Certificate of Service.

### 45/2023 Apologies for Absence.

Received from Cllrs Clarke and Berg.

#### 46/2023 Members' Declarations.

Cllr Ball asked his connection to planning application PA23/02317 be noted. No other declarations of interest or dispensations requested.

#### 47/2023 Public Participation.

Rev Li Selman attended to present a letter to the parish council informing them of the church's notice to sell St Mary's Church, Merrymeet.

Meeting suspended for five minutes at 7.15pm

Cornwall Councillor Phil Seeva reported that: full council had met on 18 April but did not discuss the consultation on the election of a Mayor for Cornwall, this decision having been previously agreed by the Chair; Cornwall Council will continue negotiations with central government to lobby for increased funding for the county; is receiving an increased volume of complaints about breaches of planning control, and asks that residents wishing to make complaints about possible breaches should report them via the usual channels (search online for 'Cornwall planning enforcement') and alert him as well. Cllr Cole asked about future investment in Spaceport Cornwall following the withdrawal of Virgin Galactic from Newquay operations. Cllr Seeva explained that Cornwall Council had not made any investments in VG and that the council's role at Newquay Airport was limited to providing an industrial building that VG had leased. He has not yet received a copy of the recent Design Review Panel report (meeting 9 March 2023) and will follow up with the planning officer.

#### 48/2023 Minutes of Meeting.

It was **Resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2023. Proposed Cllr Goldsmith. Seconded Cllr Easterbrook. All agreed.

#### 49/2023 Matters arising

A Public electric vehicle charging point

Councillors received and noted the Clerk's report and agreed not to proceed with any further research on a proposal to install an EV charging point, but asked the Clerk to keep under review any growing demand for such facilities and funding sources.

#### B Part time street lighting

Clerk reported that he had received one email in support of switching-off street lights at Doddycross. Councillors noted the report and agreed to hold any further commentary back until a consultation took place.

Action: Clerk to follow up at next Community Network Area meeting on 24 April.

#### 50/2023 Planning

#### PA23/00358/PREAPP

Proposal: Pre-application advice to divide the property into two separate dwellings, involving widening the pedestrian gateway to accept vehicles, and adding one extra doorway to the rear. We would also like to install four rooflights to bring natural light and ventilation to the upper floors. Location: Methodist Church East Road Menheniot Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3RR.

Councillors discussed the draft proposal, noted that potential for lack of amenity space and asked that Cornish walls and hedges be retained.

#### PA23/02178

Proposal: Extensions to existing dwelling

Location: Lower Trengrove Farm Merrymeet Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3LL

It was **Resolved** to support this application. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Cole. All agreed. In making their decision, councillors referred to the Menheniot Design Guide and asked that the applicant and planners note the importance of using materials that are of sufficiently high quality and which will relate specifically to the architectural characteristics and scale of the site.

#### PA23/02179

Proposal: Listed building consent for extensions to existing dwelling Location: Lower Trengrove Farm Merrymeet Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3LL It was **Resolved** to support this application. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Cole. All agreed.

#### Ref: PA23/02162

Proposal: Remedial works to roof, chimney and guttering; replacement windows; internal alterations to allow for bathroom replacement and installation of ensuite shower room, works to ceilings; and installation of conservation rooflights.

Location: Lower Trengrove Farm Merrymeet Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3LL

It was **Resolved** to support this application. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Curgenven. All agreed.

#### Ref: PA23/02317

Proposal: two-storey side extension and single-storey rear extension. Location: Trevartha Cottage Pengover Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3N It was **Resolved** to support this application. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Luck. All agreed. In making their decision, councillors noted that the scale of the proposal was proportionate to the site and that the materials proposed would be an appropriate match for the existing structure.

#### Ref: PA23/02252

Proposal: Change of use of adjoining field for private recreation and leisure use associated with the dwelling. The land is exclusively for domestic use, will be incidental to the dwelling, private amenity garden and domestic do exercise use, and will not be used commercially. Location: The Old Stables Hayloft Courtyard Cottages Lower Clicker Road Menheniot Liskeard Cornwall.

It was **Resolved not to support** this application. Proposed Cllr Goldsmith. Seconded Cllr Tucker. All agreed. In making their decision, In making their decision councillors referred to the Menheniot Neighbourhood Plan (Policy 7.2 and 7.3) and highlighted concerns that changing the use of a significant open space in an area of Great Landscape Value would potentially adversely affect the distinctive character of the area. Councillors noted (Policy 12) the absence of any assessment of biodiversity or proposals to minimise the impact that the change of use would create.

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Ref: PA23/02559

Proposal: Extension to Castle Air workshop/hanger and proposed store, with associated works. Location: Castle Air Horningtops Liskeard Cornwall.

It was **Resolved** to support this application. Proposed Cllr Luck. Seconded Cllr Curgenven. All agreed. Councillors noted that the proposed development was sited out of view of the main road (A38) and the design was appropriate to its location and function.

B Any applications received by Cornwall Council by the time of the meeting. Information only: Ref: PA23/03096

Proposal: Rear extension and minor alterations Location: 25 Trelawny Road Menheniot

C Planning decisions made by Cornwall Council.

PA23/00623 APPROVED

Proposal: Change of use of existing shed from mechanical engineering use to agricultural use Location: Crossways Menheniot Liskeard PL14 3RF

PA23/00188 APPROVED

Proposal Change of use of land for siting of a caravan for holiday use purposes Location: Pool Hall Menheniot Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3QT

PA22/09662 APPROVED

Proposal Revised application for the conversion of agricultural buildings to residential dwellings further to Approval PA16/11717 Location:- Jaxons Barn Pengover Farm Pengover Green Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3NH

#### PA22/09732 WITHDRAWN

Proposal Erection of a single 1 and 3/4 storey 4 bedroom dwelling with integral garage within the garden plot of Homefield. Proposed double garage for the sole use of Homefield and removal of existing barn.

Location:- Homefield Merrymeet Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3LP

#### PA22/11249 WITHDRAWN

Proposal Formation of a two-storey dwellinghouse from/within the structural remains of a historic building (former cottage/s)

Location:- Land South East Of Roseland House Menheniot Cornwall PL14 3PQ

#### Ref: PA23/01879 Prior approval not required

Proposal: Prior notification of agricultural or forestry development for a storage building for straw and hay

Location: Tregartha Farm Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3NL

#### 51/2023 Finance

A It was **Resolved** to approve the schedule and agree payment. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Tucker. All agreed. Cllr Easterbrook will authorise online payments.

Date	Payee	Description	Pay	£
24/04/2023	Cornwall ALC	Annual subscription	OLB	708.51
24/04/2023	Prydis	Accountancy support	OLB	114.00
24/04/2023	Cornwall ALC	Code of Conduct Training	OLB	48.00
24/04/2023	Salaries	Apr-23	OLB	966.76
24/04/2023	HMRC	PAYE	OLB	218.60
All payments the	nis period			£ 2,055.87

Date	Payer	Description		£
period	Allotment fees			72.00
13/03/2023	Village Green resident	Licence		30.00
31/03/2023	Cornwall Council	Interest		142.85
All bank receipts this period			£	244.85

## C Bank Reconciliation.

At the close of business on 31 March 2023, the parish council held  $\pounds 66,744.32$  in its accounts.

D Outturn Q4 (Jan-Mar 2023)

Councillors received and noted the report

# E Coronation of King Charles III

Clerk reported that of the £3,000 agreed at the March meeting, £1536 had been allocated (Cherry Fayre Big Lunch £554; Playgroup £493; Souvenir Mugs £489). To date, 13 applications for mugs have been received. This figure is expected to increase when flyers promoting events and the mug scheme are delivered over the coming week.

F Councillors will be asked to support applications to award grants to the following groups: Menheniot Parochial Church Council (graveyard maintenance).

It was **Resolved** to support this application and grant £1200 to the PCC. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Goldsmith. All agreed.

Little Owls Baby & Toddler Group (annual rent)

It was **Resolved** to support this application and grant £190 to the group. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Ball. All agreed.

Action: Clerk to obtain acceptance of terms and conditions and arrange transfer of funds.

# 52/2023 Chair's Agenda Items

A Safeguarding

Councillors discussed the draft Safeguarding Policy and **Resolved** to adopt the policy. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Goldsmith. All agreed.

Action: Clerk to publish policy and draw up action plan for implementation.

B Menheniot-Liskeard Bus Service

A further public meeting with Saltash Red Bus, Cornwall Council and Go Cornwall Bus was held on 13 April 2023 where 20 residents attended. The outcome of the meeting was positive and the Chair was pleased to note that residents' concerns about the original route and timetable had been addressed. Cllr Cade asked that residents show their support for the new service and start to look ahead to increasing the scope of the service that would allow for further onward travel from Liskeard. Residents who have registered with the Clerk's Office for travel updates will receive a feedback survey in May.

**Note**: A set of Frequently Asked Questions about the new service is available on the council's website.

# C Mayor for Cornwall

Chair confirmed that 69% of people taking part in the recent consultation had opposed plans for an elected Mayor for the county and was pleased that this council was among the 37 other parish councils which had responded to the survey.

# 53/2023 Councillors' Reports

# A Cllr Adrian Cole

Menheniot Green: thanked volunteers who had planted out at Mine Hill and Merrymeet; asked that the Tree for Life project be repeated in autumn 2023; designs for planting around the Holy Well are progressing; repair work and planting on the village green was almost complete (thanks to Cllr Keith Goldsmith); community energy project and research proceeding.

Preparations to mark the Coronation of King Charles III

Six events have been notified to the Clerk's Office, and flyers promoting them will be distributed to households across the parish over the coming weeks; further applications for donations from the Coronation Community Fund are expected before the deadline of 21 April; conditions for the donating of souvenir mugs to children living in the parish remain as published but may be relaxed depending on the volume of enquiries and reservations.

## B Cllr Keith Goldsmith

Discussed drawing up a schedule for planned maintenance of the council's assets across the parish. All agreed and asked Cllr Goldsmith to proceed.

Discussed a proposal to investigate ways in which the playing fields might be levelled in order that their use as a recreation area (and suitable for many sports) could be extended and enhanced. All agreed and asked Cllr Goldsmith to proceed.

# 54/2023 Clerk's Report.

A Cornwall Council Public Spaces Protection Order (Alcohol Consumption in Designated Public Spaces)

Councillors received and noted the consultation.

B Resignation of Lee Crocker

Item 44 above references the recent resignation of former Cllr Crocker. *Action*: *Clerk to inform Cornwall Council and post appropriate notices.* 

## 55/2023 Diary Dates.

A The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 18 May at 7pm in Menheniot Old School.

B The next Public Meeting will be on Thursday 18 May 2023, at 7.30pm in Menheniot Old School.

## 56/2023 End of meeting 21.05

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