



**MINUTES OF THE 805th MEETING OF BUDOOCK PARISH COUNCIL,
HELD AT BUDOOCK VILLAGE HALL, ON MONDAY 28th January 2008**

PRESENT : Cllrs Bastin (Chairman), Fairbank, Fryer, Gibson, Miss Pengelly, Tim McCabe and Trevor McCabe.

There were no comments from the public on matters on the agenda.

C2679 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from C Cllr Hatton.

C2680 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) In Items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda..

b) Of gifts of a value of more than £25

There were no declarations of gifts of a value of more than £25.

C2681 TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

a) Meeting of Budoock Parish Council, 17th December 2007

It was proposed by Cllr Fryer, seconded by Cllr Fairbank and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17th December 2007 be approved as a true record and duly signed.

C2682 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

a) Parish Council Budget & Precept, 2008/09

The Clerk stated that the necessary documentation had been completed and returned to Kerrier DC, with 2008/09 expenditure forecast to utilise 50% of anticipated 2007/08 Year-End carried forward balances. A similar approach for 2009/10 would expend existing council balances.

b) Bus Shelter

The Clerk stated that this was scheduled for week commencing 17th March 2008, and that the footpath would be resurfaced by County Highways the same week.

c) Pump Garden

Cllr Fairbank stated that Mrs Jan Gibson had agreed to maintain the planters, and Cllr Gibson was asked to ensure that any costs were reclaimed. The Clerk added that he had received an offer to repair the wall free of charge, so had stopped the insurance claim for damage by the Flogas vehicle.

C2683 AGENDA ITEMS

a) Report back from meeting with Village Halls and Playing Field Committees, 11th January 2008

The Chairman reported that this had been a productive meeting, with agreement to consider future purchases being made by the Parish Council assisted by donations from the respective organisations, rather than by the opposite way round. This should allow costs to be reduced in areas such as :-

- VAT on purchases (the Parish Council could reclaim, if invoices were made out to it)
- VAT on Utility bills
- Insurance Premiums (via possible consolidation into a single policy)

b) Response to Cornwall CC Consultation Document re Street Lighting

This had been deferred from the December meeting for more information to be obtained. The Clerk reported that he had no costings from Cornwall CC, but that there were three options being considered : The status quo (street lights on all night), switching lights off between 12.30am and 5.30am, and dimming lights between 12.30am and 5.30am.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Trevor McCabe, seconded by Cllr Miss Pengelly and

RESOLVED that the Clerk be instructed to respond that the council favoured the option of turning street lights off between 12.30am and 5.30am.

c) To agree the content of the formal tender to be issued in respect of Footpaths Maintenance, 2008/09

Cllr Fairbank had amended the previous tender, to take into account recommended changes, with a draft circulated prior to the meeting. The tender advertisement had been published in the West Briton, and the Clerk reported that he had already received 12 enquiries. Following agreement of the content of the tender, and receipt of maps from Cornwall CC, he anticipated asking for tender responses by Monday, 18th February 2008, to allow these to be considered at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

It was proposed by Cllr Trevor McCabe, seconded by Cllr Gibson and

RESOLVED that the council issue the formal tender based upon the draft, and that Cllr Fairbank should be thanked for his thoroughness in preparing it.

d) To consider the Parish Council attendance at the following meetings :-

(i) Kerrier DC Seminar on "One Cornwall", 4th February 2008

This was to be a one day seminar, solely for parish and town councils, at which the Clerk had reserved two places for Budock. Following discussion, it was agreed that only one place would be required, and that Cllr Trevor McCabe would attend.

(ii) Kerrier DC Planning Department Briefing Session on Delegated Powers, 6th February 2008

The Clerk reported that he had also reserved two places for Budock. It was agreed that only one would be required, and that Cllr Fairbank would attend.

(iii) Code of Conduct Training, 28th February 2008

That Clerk stated that Budock members had been invited to a joint session with Mabe Parish Council, which would be held in Mabe WI Hall at 6.30pm. If possible, all council members were requested to attend.

C2684 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported on correspondence received, a schedule of which is attached to the minutes as a record.

C2685 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

a) County Council

In the absence of C Cllr Hatton, D Cllr Mrs Fryer reported that it was likely that the Boundary Commission would allow changes which would increase the number of councillors post "One Cornwall" to over 100.

b) District Council

D Cllr Mrs Fryer reported on the following Kerrier DC matters :-

- The planning application at Higher Argal (West Country Fruit Sales) was unlikely to be dealt with by planning officers under delegated powers, but instead by the Planning Committee.
- The planning application for the redevelopment of the St John's Ambulance Hall behind Rose Eglos Cottage was looking likely to be refused, due to insufficient amenity space.
- The Parish Council was urged to give consideration to nominations for the Kerrier Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year awards.
- The plan to expand the Tremough Campus would soon be available for public consultation.

C2686 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) To Note Planning Decisions received from the Planning Authority

The Clerk reported on decisions received, a schedule of which is attached to the minutes as a record.

b) To Note Planning Enforcement Complaints received by the Planning Authority

The Clerk reported that no enforcement complaints had been received in Budock, since the last meeting.

c) To Consider Planning Applications Received From the District Authority

(i) PA07/01774F – Mr S Williams, West Country Fruit Sales, Higher Argal, Falmouth – erection of extension to existing warehouse & formation of new car and lorry park (amended)

The Clerk explained that the amendment to correct some levels in the original plan.

OBSERVATIONS : AS ORIGINAL PLAN, PRIOR TO AMENDMENT.

(ii) PA07/02109/F – Mr & Mrs Gallacher, Merrymeet Farm, Budock Water – Erection of conservatory extension to dwelling

The Clerk explained that the amendment to correct some levels in the original plan.

OBSERVATIONS : NO OBJECTIONS.

(iii) PA08/00021/F – Mr & Mrs G Walters, Hillhead Farm, Hillhead Road, Kergilliack – Erection of conservatory extension to dwelling

OBSERVATIONS : NO OBJECTIONS.

(iv) PA08/00055/F – Mr J Watkins, The Old Post Office, Treverva – Erection of a dwelling and domestic garage, and installation of a septic tank

Standing Orders stated that, for a new or replacement dwelling, a site visit was required. The Clerk was asked to arrange this as soon as possible, followed by a Planning Committee Meeting, at which the council's observations would be determined.

C2687 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

a) Vacancy for new members of the Parish Council

The Chairman stated that the council still had two vacancies, and that a candidate was present, who had expressed an interest in becoming a member. Mr David Brown, of Treveryn Parc, was invited to address the council, following which it was proposed by Cllr Tim McCabe, seconded by Cllr Trevor McCabe and

RESOLVED unanimously that Mr Brown be co-opted as a member of Budock Parish Council.

The Clerk prepared the necessary Acceptance of Office & Register of Interests documents.

b) Police Report

PC Cormack & PCSO Huddlestone were present and reported that there had been only one crime, a domestic incident, reported in the previous month. The speed gun had been used once, and that there would soon be two handheld devices for non-Police use at Helston station.

It was envisaged that these could be used by community groups, such as school children, with appropriate supervision.

A PACT Meeting was scheduled for 6th February 2008 (venue as yet undecided), and police "surgeries" would be held in Budock and Mawnan in the near future.

C2688 RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

Cllr Fairbank reported on a number of issues :-

a) The stream by the footpath to Trevoney

This had been investigated by the Environment Agency, who did not consider the undercutting of the trees to be as dangerous as had originally been thought.

It had been suggested that further erosion at the toe of the bank might be prevented by placing appropriately sized stone, which was available in the immediate area, to build a low Cornish hedge type structure into the toe of the bank. This stone should be set flush with the bank, not protrude into the channel, and be set a minimum 300mm beneath the bed to avoid undermining.

Willow spilling had also proved affective in other Cornish streams. Stakes would need to be driven into the bed and live willow whips woven between, dense enough to retain fill material behind in the undercut areas. The willow should take and the root structure help resist erosion, again materials should be sourced locally.

The Clerk was asked to check whether this is the sort of activity that Malcolm Rashleigh could assist with.

b) Emergency Closure of Footpath 22 at Pendra Loweth, 10th to 30th January 2008

This had been arranged by Cornwall CC for remedial work to dangerous trees.

c) Trelil – Footpath / Bridleway

The matter had been investigated by the Annear Estate, which believed that this Right Of way had always been a footpath, rather than a bridleway, and also that it would be simpler to change the definitive map than to move its course back to the position on the definitive map. The Clerk agreed to report back at the February meeting, on the protocol concerned with these issues.

C2689 FINANCE AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

It was proposed by Cllr Tim McCabe, seconded by Cllr Fryer and

RESOLVED that accounts totalling **£2,551.63** be approved for payment and duly signed. A schedule of these is attached to the minutes as a record.

C2690 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Budock Parish Council will be held on Monday, 25th February 2008, commencing at 7.30pm, in Budock Village Hall.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from members of the public.

Signed : 25th February 2008
Chairman