



**MINUTES OF THE 807th MEETING OF BUDOOCK PARISH COUNCIL,
HELD AT BUDOOCK VILLAGE HALL, ON MONDAY 31st March 2008**

PRESENT : Cllrs Fairbank (Vice-Chairman), Brown, Gibson, Miss Pengelly and Trevor McCabe.

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

C2704 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Bastin & Tim McCabe. In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman took the chair.

C2705 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) In Items on the Agenda

Cllr Gibson declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item C2708 (a) (ii), Unspent 2007/08 Budget Allocations. Cllr Miss Pengelly declared a personal, but not prejudicial, interest in agenda item C2708 (c) (iii), Section 137 Grants, a regular attendee at Budoock Parish Church.

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

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

C2706 TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

a) Meeting of Budoock Parish Council, 25th February 2008

It was proposed by Cllr McCabe, seconded by Cllr Miss Pengelly and

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25th February 2008 be approved as a true record and duly signed.

C2707 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

a) Code of Conduct Training Session

The Clerk reminded members of the revised arrangements. The session would be held at Treverva Village Hall, at 6.30pm, on Thursday, 10th April 2008. Members were asked to attend, if at all possible. The session would also be attended by members of Mawnan Parish Council.

C2708 AGENDA ITEMS

a) To consider recommendations of Policy & Finance Working Group

The group had met earlier in the month, and working papers had been distributed in advance of the council meeting, for members to consider.

(i) Schedule of Council Meetings, 2008/09

The schedule was acceptable to members, and the Clerk was asked to confirm venue bookings to Budoock and Treverva Village Halls.

(ii) Unspent 2007/08 Budget allocations

Having declared a prejudicial interest in this item, Cllr Gibson left the room for the duration of its discussion.

Cllr Fairbank stated that there were three expenditure items which would fall into 2008/09, for which it was recommended that the budget allocations be carried forward :-

- Footpath Repairs / Additional Work (£3,000) – In the main this related to the work required to the trees and stream alongside the footpath from Trevoney to the Village Hall car park, land which belonged to the Parish Council. Quotations for the work were

imminent, although permission would need to be sought from the Environment Agency prior to commencement.

- Village Halls (£1,000) – No expenditure had been incurred at Treverva Village Hall in 2007/08, but this might be necessary in 2008/09.
- Pump Garden Maintenance (£500) – This was being carried out by Mrs Jan Gibson, who had not, as yet, submitted any items for reimbursement by the Parish Council.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr McCabe, seconded by Cllr Miss Pengelly and **RESOLVED** that these budgets be carried forward into 2008/09, and ring-fenced.

Cllr Gibson returned to the room.

(iii) S137 Grants, 2008/09

The Clerk ran through the list, and added that a request for a grant had been received from Cruse Bereavement Care, Cornwall, which members might also wish to consider.

It was proposed by Cllr McCabe, seconded by Cllr Brown and

RESOLVED that the list of S137 grant recommendations be accepted, with an additional grant of £50 for Cruse Bereavement Care, Cornwall, if there was a balance left over after local claims had been responded to.

(iv) The Council's Fixed Assets

The Clerk ran through the updated list, which now included the two bus shelters, both Village Halls and their contents, plus all play equipment. The Playing Field was not, as yet, included, as it had no official valuation. It was also suggested that the PC (not working), the fax and the shredder should be written off.

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

RESOLVED that the council accept the updated list of Fixed Assets, and that the Clerk should discuss the valuation of the Playing Field during the Internal Audit.

(v) Allocation of Councillor Portfolios

The recommendation was to reallocate the portfolios of Transport & Highways, Youth Liaison and The Environment. Cllr Trevor McCabe added that he would prefer not to have the Police Liaison portfolio.

During discussion, the following allocations were put forward :-

- Traffic & Highways Cllr Brown
- Youth Liaison Cllr Brown
- The Environment Cllrs Trevor & Tim McCabe (specialist knowledge)
- Police Liaison Cllr Gibson

It was proposed by Cllr Gibson, seconded by Cllr Brown and

RESOLVED that member portfolios be reallocated with immediate effect.

b) To consider the content and distribution of the council's Annual Report, 2007/08

The Clerk had distributed draft copy prior to the meeting. Members were asked to submit any changes and additional items by Friday, 11th April, to enable the report to be available for distribution at the next meeting. It was agreed that the Clerk and Cllr Gibson explore methods of low cost house-to-house distribution throughout the Parish.

c) To review the provision of Public Toilet Facilities in Budock Water

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee. The committee felt that the only appropriate area where externally accessed toilets could be provided was at the rear of the building, and that this could only be considered if the security of the building was not compromised.

After a lengthy discussion, the Clerk was asked to liaise further with the committee, with a view to organising a builder's estimate, which would assist in checking whether this option was feasible.

d) To consider complaints about Car Parking on Merry Mit Meadow

This issue had been raised with C Cllr Hatton by a member of the public. Members felt that such problems arose due to the increasing numbers of cars on the road, and the number of houses with no or insufficient parking. As such, this was not an issue which the council could resolve. The Clerk agreed to write a letter to this effect, to the complainant.

e) To consider the council's response to a letter received from residents of Mabe, regarding Traffic Calming Measures

The Clerk had circulated a copy of an email letter received from members of the Antron Hill Action Group, Mabe. This concerned County Highways "Local Member Schemes" budgets. It asked for support from Budock Parish Council for a request to reallocate the funding earmarked for speed visors in Budock and Mawnan to an alternate traffic calming scheme in Mabe.

C Cllr Hatton stated, however, that it was not possible to reallocate monies from a programmed scheme to one that was not in the program.

Members felt that it was not possible to support the request, and the Clerk was asked to respond to the letter.

f) Report back on Kerrier DC's Planning Training Session, 3rd March 2008

The Clerk reported that this was a detailed session on PPG's (Planning Policy Guidelines) and PPS's (Planning Policy Statements), and that he would circulate copies of the training notes to all members.

g) Report back on Cornwall CC's "One Cornwall Updates", 11th & 20th March 2008

Cllr McCabe had attended the meeting on 11th March, along with the Clerk, and reported back. Some concern was expressed that the future operation of the Unitary Authority might still be urban dominated. Members continued to be committed to attending future sessions for Parish and Town Councils.

C2709 CORRESPONDENCE

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

C2710 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

a) County Council

C Cllr Hatton reported the following :-

- A meeting on the proposed Electoral Review was to be held in Camborne on the evening of Friday, 4th April. The meeting would be open to members of the public, and, following this, there would be an opportunity to send comments to the Boundary Commission.
- It was likely to be late summer before the structure of the Unitary Authority was decided, but, in the meantime, secondment of officers from the Districts was already occurring.
- He had received another telephone call concerning parking opposite the Trelowarren Arms. County Highways did not consider yellow lines appropriate, and the gutter would make any changes to the road surface very difficult.

b) District Council

In the absence of D Cllrs Mrs Ferris and Mrs Fryer, C Cllr Hatton had no Kerrier DC matters upon which to report.

C2711 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) PA08/00246/F – Mr G Bert, Tresooth Farm, Penwarne – Construction of an open air swimming pool

OBSERVATIONS : NO OBJECTIONS.

(ii) PA08/00414/LBC – Mr D Edwards, Roscarrack House, Bickland Water Road Falmouth – Listed Building Consent for the erection of extension to residential home

OBSERVATIONS : NO OBJECTIONS.

(iii) PA08/00548/F – Mr & Mrs P Young, 7 Trewen Terrace, Budock Water – Erection of a first floor extension to dwelling

OBSERVATIONS : NO OBJECTIONS.

C2712 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

a) Police Report

PC Cormack reported that there had been no crimes reported during the previous month. Members agreed that the regular police presence in the Parish was most welcome, and must be contributing to the reduction in crime.

b) Village Halls

Cllr Miss Pengelly reported that the Budock AGM was coming up soon, and that there would be a Quiz Night at Treverva Village Hall on Saturday, 12th April.

c) Playing Field

Cllr McCabe reported that there had been a Committee Meeting in March, and that they should soon be in a position to order further play equipment.

C2713 RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

Cllr Fairbank reported on a number of issues :-

a) LMP (Local Maintenance Partnership) Grant, 2008/09

This was in excess of the contract value for footpaths maintenance, so there was some scope for small amounts of additional work.

b) Work on Stream alongside footpath from Village Hall car park to Trevoney

The quote had not yet been received. The Clerk stated that the contractor had been on holiday, and he was expecting the quote within the week.

c) Letter received regarding the footpath across the fields to the Parish Church

A complaint had been received regarding the fact that the entire field had been ploughed, including the route of the Public Right of Way. The Chairman had agreed to speak to the landowner about the matter, and the Clerk was asked to respond to the complainant.

C2714 FINANCE AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

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

RESOLVED that accounts totalling **£3,890.99** be approved for payment and duly signed. A schedule of these is attached to the minutes as a record.

C2715 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Budock Parish Council will be held on Monday, 28th April 2008, commencing at 7.30pm, in Budock Village Hall. The Annual Parish Meeting would precede this, commencing at 7.00pm.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from members of the public.

Signed : 28th April 2008
Chairman