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MINUTES ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS BREAGE ON TUESDAY 4 DECEMBER 2012 AT 7.00 P.M.

Present: Cllr J Keeling (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs J Anthony
Cllr Mrs T Board
Cllr H Bradford
* Cllr S Caddick
Cllr T Coleman
Cllr Mrs P Darby
Cllr Ms C Rashleigh

PCSO Sadler
Mrs C Macleod (Clerk)

1 Member of the Public

The Chairman wished everyone a good evening and welcomed them.

1. FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Clerk read out the Fire Evacuation Procedure

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Ackland who was recovering from an operation, Cllrs Best and Coleman who were working and Cllr Wyvern Batt who had family commitments as her mother was very ill.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) Cllr Mrs T Board's permanent declaration of interest in accordance with LGA 2000: My beneficial interest in Breage Parish Council owned land registered V.G.621 Praa Green, is that my adjoining property has gate access.

b) To note declarations of interest in accordance with LGA 2000 - Members and officers to declare non-registerable interests or disclosable pecuniary interests (including details thereof) in respect of any items on this agenda and unless you have the benefit of a current and relevant dispensation in relation to these items you must:

- (i) not participate, or participate further, in any discussions of these items at the meeting;
- (ii) not participate in any vote, or further vote, taken on these items at the meeting; and
- (iii) remove yourself from the meeting while any discussion or vote takes place on these items, to the extent that you are required to absent yourself in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders or other procedural rules.

Where a Member has a non-registerable interest in an item that does not benefit from a valid dispensation and that interest only arises from the Member's participation in or Membership of a body whose objects or purposes are charitable, philanthropic or otherwise for the benefit of the community the Member may, (with the permission of the Chairman of the meeting or until such time as the Chairman directs the Member to stop) address the meeting to provide such information as they reasonably consider might inform the debate and decision to be made before complying with b).

There were none.

c) Members to give consideration as to whether their Register of Interest forms are fully up to date

4. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 6 NOVEMBER 2012 AND THE MEETING TO SET THE PRECEPT/BUDGET ON 20 NOVEMBER 2012

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Darby and unanimously resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 6 November 2012, with eight amendments be signed as a true and correct record.

The amendments were: page 106/12, item 9, Report from Cornwall Councillor, next to last paragraph, first sentence – remove 'committee system' and replace with 'strong leader model'; page 106/12, item 10, Planning, 8th line from bottom of page - replace 'mire' with 'more'; page 108/12, item 10, Planning, PA12/09777 – add the following: 'Cllr Wyvern Batt advised that neighbours were happy with this. It was proposed by Cllr Best, seconded by Cllr Wyvern Batt and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that the application be supported'; page 108/12, item 10, Planning d), 5th line – remove 'with' and replace with 'outside with materials and vehicles.' and add 'whilst building continues' after

'parking spaces'; 7th line – Replace 'It' with 'The land'; page 108/12, item 11, Finance -, 72, - add 'Crossroads' after 'Germoe'; page 113/12, item 22, Report from Clerk h) – add 'Crossroads' after 'Germoe'.

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Board and resolved with two abstentions, (as Councillors had not attended the meeting), that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting To Set The Precept/Budget On 20 November 2012 be signed as a true and correct record.

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman announced that he had attended the funeral of former Chairman of Breage Parish Council, Charles Simmons. The Church had also been represented. He had offered Mrs Simmons help and support if it be needed. Children from Breage and Germoe Schools had sung Carols at the Seal Sanctuary.

6. POLICE REPORT

a) To receive and discuss any police report received and other police matters

PCSO Sadler gave the following report:

'There have been three crimes reported to the Police for the month of November.

'This compares to eleven reported at the same time last year.

'There has been a case of Common Assault in Ashton, enquiries are still ongoing.

'There has been a case of Cause of Fear and Provocation of Violence in Breage. Words of advice have been passed.

'Finally, there has been a Burglary of a large amount of oil from a tank in Godolphin Cross. All lines of enquiry have been followed and this case is now filed.

'Please be extra vigilant and make secure all your belongings. If possible a record of all serial numbers should be kept of any garden machinery or tools.

'I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

'Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you see anything suspicious in your Parish.'

Cllr Anthony asked if it was known if a specific vehicle had been used for taking the oil. PCSO Sadler replied that it was only known to be a truck and there were no specific details.

Cllr Caddick arrived at this point and gave his apologies.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public may raise subjects they wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council. Listeners should note that decisions cannot be made on items not on the agenda.

Public participation was held here from 7.14 to 7.16 p.m.

8. REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR

Cllr Keeling's report had been previously circulated to Members and he covered it briefly here.

The report:

'A productive month with regards to getting some highway issues dealt with and particularly with the A394 survey that has been ongoing for at least 4 years now and the consultation process is now being rolled out at last. However, the youth diamond project: a youth bus designed for youngster between the ages of 13 and 19 years that will be in four villages around the parishes at fortnightly intervals, is presently dogged by mechanical difficulties, which is taking an inordinate amount of my time. There is a youth worker and support worker in place who are ready to go and as soon as the bus (a large motor home) is ready it will be available in Breage village every other Wednesday at 7 pm, behind the Queen's Arms. Watch out for advertising flyers. The so-called privatisation issue, the strategic partnership between the public and private sector, continues unabated at County Hall and the Single Issue Panel is still looking very closely at the contract being offered by British Telecom. The final report of the Single Issue Panel is due out soon and will be presented to full council on the 11th December to inform the decision as to whether we issue an invitation to tender or not. Though essentially a cabinet decision, the executive have indicated that they are minded to be guided by the decision of the full council. The governance review panel is working up a final report regarding political management in the new council and again a report will be taken to full council in December. There are a number of options for council to consider including: versions of the Cabinet Leader model and committee system. This will be decided at full council but whatever model is the preferred option; the organisational culture, the role of individual, and the values and behaviours demonstrated within in a structure are essential to the good governance of Cornwall Council and central to the success of any model. 'I chaired a meeting last week on localised council tax support and technical changes of council tax. The discount currently available to second home owners is recommended to be discontinued and the council tax system around empty properties to be changed to facilitate council policy on bring empty properties back into use quickly, whilst securing additional council tax income.

'A short break from Cornwall to chair a meeting, in Taunton, of the southwest network of councils to discuss and share experiences and practises, primarily regarding the scrutiny functions operating within each local authority.

'Local matters

'A meeting with highways reference traffic matters at Praa Sands

'Numerous planning enquiries

'Meeting planned with the owners of Westward Ho, Ashton to discuss proposals for the bungalow.'

Cllr Keeling added that a blue bus shelter had been ordered for Praa Sands and the slabs will be going in soon. The bench has been removed – the legs are rotten – and stored in Cllr Keeling’s garden. Cllr Board asked if the shelter would have seats and it was confirmed that it would.

Cllr Keeling said that he had been unable to meet with Steve Shotel about erosion at Praa Sands as he had been so busy. With regard to Westward Ho, Ashton: Reports had been received that a number of caravans have been sited there with neat paving to them and numerous people appeared to be living there. Many Smith, the Enforcement Officer has been informed. The owner had said that the house is in a mess because all the copper pipes, cylinders and electrical cables have been stolen and a fire had ruined the lounge.

As the owner is apparently a car dealer from Hayle concern was expressed by Councillors that two of the cars in the garden are being advertised for sale with prices attached and that enough tarmac for 20 cars has been laid. The owner has been advised that he needs to get a planning application in as soon as possible. Cllr Anthony asked that if this advice is not heeded to that sure and swift enforcement action is taken to ‘nip the matter in the bud’.

Councillor Keeling spoke of the areas of flooding - Pentreath Lane having just about escaped - Godolphin, the Herland Estate had water running off a field that the farmer had cleared, straight through the village and almost flooding a property. It was noted that rivers of mud were coming from the farm onto the back roads.

Cllr Coleman spoke about the flytipping at the Cornwall Motel. Cllr Keeling said that the Crime officer had investigated but those tipping had said that they had permission to do so from the owner, Mr Fletcher. Cllr Keeling emphasised that he had not forgotten about the Motel and was still ‘working on it’ and would ‘chase’ Environmental Health.

Cllr Anthony said that she had made a complaint as a member of the public but had received no reply. She asked Cllr Keeling to supply her with the Enforcement number.

9. PLANNING

Cllr Keeling’s statement: ‘As a member of the Planning West Committee I will not vote on Planning Applications and will not make a final decision on any planning matter until I have heard all the evidence and arguments’.

Cllr Keeling said that he had spoken about the Higher Kenneggy application at the Planning meeting the day before, stressing that this is an AONB and it must be looked after but the application was supported by 6 votes to 5. He said that the Kenneggy folk had tuned up en masse and had spoken against it.

a) **TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL**

PA12/10523 – Mr S Whittingham – Riverside Bungalow, Townshend, HAYLE TR27 6AS

Demolition of a Mundic Bungalow and construction of a replacement dwelling. Amended design to planning approval PA10/07567

Cllr Bradford felt that this would be an enormous house with 3 floors and 5 or 6 bedrooms and that it would look terrible, especially from behind.

Cllr Coleman said that it was not a neighbourly issue and it would be in 4 ½ to 5 acres and would probably not look oversized. Further concerns were expressed about the design and size and the potential flooding risk. It was felt that as this was a rebuild and not an extension it should perhaps not be so large. **It was proposed by Cllr Coleman, seconded by Cllr Bradford and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that the application be supported in principle but that concern should be expressed over the design and large size - which was felt to look particularly terrible from behind - and also the potential flooding risk adding that it was felt that as this is to be a rebuild and not an extension, re-massaging’ of the design and size should be considered.**

PA12/10758 – Miss Long –Trevena Cottage, Fowlfield Row, Breage, HELSTON

Erection of a two-storey extension

Councillors opinions varied with some feeling the extension would be overpowering and others feeling that it was well thought out. It was noted that there was no overlooking. No neighbours had complained to the Parish Council.

It was proposed by Cllr Rashleigh, seconded by Cllr Caddick and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that the application be supported.

PA12/09500 - Mr Tim Carter – Gwedna House, Gwedna, Godolphin Cross, HELSTON

Erection of a 3 bay car port of timber with a slate roof

It was wondered why the car port would be in the middle of a field and noted that the building has an upstairs and is much larger than the normal car port size. It was asked that a condition be attached that the building only be used as a car port. **It was proposed by Cllr Board, seconded by Cllr Bradford and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that the application be supported with a condition that it only be used as a car port.**

PA12/11060 – Mr Peter Greenough – Bluebell Cottage, Godolphin Cross, HELSTON

Works to trees

It was proposed by Cllr Board, seconded by Cllr Coleman and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that the application be supported.

b) **TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA UP TO 12 NOON ON 30 NOVEMBER 2012**

PA12/10321- Mr Matthew Round - Count House, Wheal Vor, Breage, Helston, Cornwall TR13 9NW

Infill of garage door and change of use of garage to utility room/single station hair salon

There were no problems with neighbours. It was noted that there are three parking spaces and only one hairdressing chair so parking would not be a problem. It was asked if in the previous conditions it had been stated that the building was only to be used as a garage. Cllr Keeling agreed to look into this.

It was proposed by Cllr Coleman, seconded by Cllr Board and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that the application be supported.

c) **TO RECEIVE ADVICE OF CONDITIONAL PLANNING PERMISSION FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL**

PA12/09077 – Mr & Mrs M Cox – Higher Redallon, Pengwedna, Nancegollan, HELSTON TR13 0AZ

Erection of a replacement dwelling and outbuilding including septic tank and access

PA12/09282 – Mr Guy Alexander – Chytarow, Germoe, PENZANCE TR20 9RW

Erection of garage

Plus additional:

PA12/08877 – Mr David Ellsmore – Barn B, Higher Trescowe, Germoe, PENZANCE TR20 9RT

Conversion and extension to barn to form dwelling (amended design) – Time extension granted

MODIFICATION AGREED

PA11/03427 – Mr C Wigzell – Evergreen, Rinsey, Ashton, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9TR

Discharge and modification of Section 52 Agreement, dated 12 July 1990 relating to sale or interest disposed of separately

d) **To observe the concerns that have been raised over Westward Ho, Main Road**

i.e. there is a great deal of activity and the presence of many vehicles, including caravans, that appear to be being used overnight but no Planning Application has been received

Cllr Keeling advised that he has this in hand see Cornwall Councillor's report and an enforcement case has been opened: EN12/03046.

e) PA12/07624 – Mr Brian Booker – 3 Fore Street, Ashton, HELSTON TR13 9RN

Conversion of front garden into a lawful parking and turnaround facility

At the last meeting the Parish Council objected to the application and Members were therefore asked by the Planning Officer to agree to disagree as she wished to give permission. Voting Councillors were contacted as a decision had to be made by 19 November 2012. Replies were received from 8 of the 9 Councillors who had voted. All Councillors who replied did not wish to agree to disagree and the Planning Officer was informed of this. The following reasons were given:

'I definitely do not agree to disagree. I think there are very real safety and visual amenity issues here. As I said at the meeting, the appeal decision to which the applicant's agent refers, and on which the CC Highways Officer changed his original objection, is based on the understanding that this "implies effective enforcement was considered practicable".

'As Highways can neither guarantee that use of the turntable, or that it remains operable, is enforceable, such a condition would be totally meaningless and unenforceable, and safe exit onto the A394 at that particular point should not be left to chance. I therefore still strongly object on safety grounds, and as far as visual amenity is concerned the small area means there would be an unacceptable impact particularly as the application states that there are SEVEN vehicles including a light goods vehicle (or combination of) that could park there. My recollection is that the neighbouring frontages are larger than the application site and therefore the parking does not dominate the frontage, and they are further away from the pedestrian refuge and road junction on that side of the A394.

'With reference being made to 'precedents' (the appeal case) I think that care also has to be taken about setting a precedent of knowingly giving planning permission with a condition (specifically relating to road safety) that has no hope of effective enforcement, as would be the case here.'

'Notwithstanding the previous history and decisions to date relating to this Turntable, and the fact that I have only just seen this Application very recently and was not involved with earlier decisions, I do NOT support this Application IN ANY WAY WHATSOEVER, for all the many reasons given already.

The visual impact on the frontage of Fore Street, and the ensuing vehicular movement and physical and visual congestion, would be appalling, for the neighbours, the villagers, and for all those using the pavement and the Main Road in front of the property, apart from any Health & Safety, Traffic and Highway concerns and it would send out the wrong 'message' to others who want to put TOO MUCH on to TOO SMALL a site.

This is a sort of 'tautology' to create the additional or the REQUIRED and PROPER amount of vehicular access, parking space, 'turning circles', manoeuvrability etc, where there is NOT ENOUGH SPACE

It should be resisted, (irrespective of there being a 'precedent' for such a thing elsewhere) as NOT being appropriate here, and it should NOT be permitted.'

'I don't think I can 'agree to disagree' on this one. The photos seem to show that only one vehicle fits on the turntable and that the rest of the cottages in the row seem to manage perfectly well without a turntable.'

To resolve to confirm the Council's decision not to agree to disagree.

It was proposed by Cllr Anthony, seconded by Cllr Bradford and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that Breage Parish Council continue to object to the application and not agree to disagree.

Cllr Keeling felt that there was little hope that the application would go to Committee. Councillors felt that the appeal decision referred to referred to an exit 'not onto a main road' and did not believe that the Ashton circumstances were the same at all. It was felt that the wording of the conditions was 'wishy-washy' and question was asked if this might enable the application to go through.

e) PA12/07560 – Mr R Benney – Land Adj To Sunnyvale Farm, Higher Kennegy, Rosudgeon, Cornwall

Construction of an extension to existing agricultural building - Time extension granted

The Clerk read out the following that was received from the Kennegy Action Group:

'Land adjacent to Sunnyvale Farm PA12/07560

'As you are no doubt aware, yesterday, the above application was narrowly approved by the Planning Committee (West), as enthusiastically recommended by Mark Broomhead. In his one-sided support of the farming community, he completely failed to mention the potential harm to the long-established tourism businesses in the immediate vicinity and their substantial contribution to the local economy - harm that will ensue generally, from the continuing, incremental damage to an AONB of world renown and specifically, by the compromising of the access lane.

'The fact that approval was gained by 6 votes to 5 demonstrates that we are not the only ones to harbour grave concerns. The fears of the Keneggy Action Group concerning the ultimate purpose of the development are well known. Yesterday's decision brings the applicant one step closer to achieving his goal.

'We wish to thank you for having the foresight to vote against this latest development and we ask for your continuing support in ensuring that the conditions imposed on the development as a whole are rigorously enforced, as the law requires. Lessons must be learned from the debacle that has ensued as a result of the negligent failure of enforcement officers to act. Contrary to Mark Broomhead's assertion that 'what has happened in the past is irrelevant', it is a fact that what has happened in the past has delivered the present situation. Such negligence cannot and will not be tolerated in the future.'

Cllr Keeling had attended yesterday's meeting in support of the Keneggy group and the Parish Council. He said that a good number of Parishioners had attended and given their views.

10. FINANCE**a) To resolve to approve December payments**

no.	Name	cheque	Service/item	Net	VAT	Total
79	BT	103147	Internet	£48.60	£9.72	£58.32
80	Viking	103148	Inks/stamps	£348.16	£57.63	£405.79
				£396.76	£67.35	£464.11
	Mrs C L Macleod	103145	Salary November			
	PO Ltd (HMR&C)	103146	PAYE	£248.80		£248.80
	PO Ltd (HMR&C)	103146	Employer's NI	£108.02		£108.02
				£356.82		£356.82
	Mrs C L Macleod	103149	Travel 28.5 mls @53p	£15.11		£15.11
			Parking	£0.50		£0.50
				£15.61		£15.61
	Mrs C L Macleod	103150	Petty cash reimbursement Oct	£69.44		£69.44
	D R Treloar	103151	Caretaker salary	£29.60		£29.60
				£868.23	£67.35	£935.58

Cllr Anthony confirmed that she had checked the payments.

The Clerk confirmed that item 79 was a direct debit payment not a cheque payment and that therefore the cheque number for item 80 was now 103147 and all numbers after that reduced by 1, as shown above.

It was proposed by Cllr Anthony, seconded by Cllr Coleman and unanimously resolved that the payments as listed above be passed for payment.

b) To acknowledge receipts

Cemetery £658; LMP £2,580.24

These were acknowledged.

c) Clerk to provide Bank balances

Current account reconciled: £3,279.87; Tracker account: £37,493.84; Petty cash: £30.56; Total including Petty cash reimbursement: £40,873.71.

11. FOOTPATHS**a) Letter of concern re. solar farms from Caradon Ramblers Rights of Way Officer**

This was read out by the Chairman. **It was proposed by Cllr Rashleigh, seconded by Cllr Keeling and unanimously resolved that a letter of full support be written to the Rights of Way Officer, Caradon.**

b) LMP final change in way that claims are submitted

The Clerk explained that this means that the former system is now being retained and there was no longer need for her to submit invoices to Cormac.

c) Cllr Darby advised that there is still £54 LMP money remaining and asked if Councillors knew of any small issues that this could be spent on they would let her know.

12. HIGHWAYS

- a) Pengersick Lane – huge drainage blockages have caused damage to the Green path.

To authorise repair of the path

This was no longer needed as Cllr Board reported that with so many people trampling over the path it had repaired itself.

- b) **Intention to close a road at 4-8th February 2013, 24 hours – Carleen**

- c) **A394 Penzance to Penryn Speed Limit Review**

More help for Breage requested in the form of the speed visor, flashing light as situated in Ashton.

Cllr Keeling said that if he was in office as Cornwall Councillor next year he would look to providing a speed visor for Breage/Crowtown to share.

- d) Cllr Darby asked for news about the T junction. Cllr Keeling advised that he is looking into it.
- e) Cllr Caddick spoke about the red sub-soil coming down with the water at the Penbro entrance last week and asked if any works were going on. He said that there used to be drains built into the hedge to allow water to pass through but that the ditch is now filled and the side of the road dressed.

13. STREET LIGHTING

Report that large trees are blocking light to 097BA Main Road, Germoe between Merrose and West Acres.

The Clerk had checked this and although the trees are large they are not 'on top' of the light and there did not appear to be a great loss of light.

14. CEMETERY/CLOSED GRAVEYARD

- a) An interment took place on 20 November 2012
- b) There will be an interment of ashes on 12 December 2012.

15. PRAA SANDS

- a) **First Bus Service Update**

E-mails had been received from Nick Truscott and First. Mr Lamerton thought it would take him a couple of weeks to come back with his findings. Cllr Board had since supplied a list of bus times, showing date/ destination timetable and whether buses were late. The Clerk was asked to send this to Nick Truscott and to First.

- b) **N461 update**

Cllr Anthony provided the following update:

- Commemoration will be held on Sunday 2 June 2013.
- She had made quite a few contacts who have given lots more information and offers of help on the day.
 - RAF Association – being very helpful }
 - RAAF Association } all want to be involved on the day
 - RBL }
 - RAF
 - Revd Sharon Chalcraft
 - W/C Harry Bourne
 - Breage band
 - John Whitcomb
 - Family members
- She has been working with Colin Windley, who was at the crash, as a boy and others.
- She is still trying to trace any relatives of two RAF men and has put advertisements in the papers.
- She has completed the draft wording for the memorial.
- She is going to put a piece in the Messenger Church magazine and communicate in other ways with the Praa Sands Community.
- She wondered if it could be put on the Parish Council's website.

Cllr Anthony confirmed that she had e-mailed Charlotte Chadwick but had received no reply.

The RAF are going to have a collection and the RAF Heritage Society are going to put something before their committee. Members thought it a good idea to contact the Duke of Cambridge to see if he would be able to attend. Cllr Anthony has also contacted Culdrose and RAF St Mawgan.

Cllr Anthony was thanked for her work on this.

- c) **Erosion**

There have been some large falls of soil at Praa Sands and Cllr Board has provided photographic evidence, saying that the calculation had been a metre in 30 years but over a metre had gone from the Little Cottage area last weekend. There has been lots of heavy work and machinery there.

Cllr Keeling said that he and Steve Shotel, Cllrs Coleman, Anthony and Board need to get together.

Cllr Coleman thought that the students at Rosewarne might be helpful with blackthorn planting. Cllr Keeling said that Mr Coward had offered money to help fence the area off from the beach.

Cllr Anthony said it appeared that not much could be done about the heavy falls but that awareness perhaps needed to be raised.

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Board and unanimously resolved that a sign be prepared and erected by Kensa Signs asking that access for Emergency Vehicles be maintained – on the left hand side by the Basketball Court, as one looks at Seameads.

16. COMMUNITY RIGHT TO BID

a) To answer the following:

1. Are there any assets members think should be listed?

Cllr Keeling put forward the Mission Church in Ashton and the Net Loft building, the former Methodist Church.

The field beside Old Prah Sands Hotel was also noted.

Councillors were asked to forward any other suggestions to the Clerk.

2. Are there any groups that members think don't know about this and should?

3. Is there any need for this to be publicized?

It was generally felt that this should be publicized.

It was wondered if a couple of Councillors could possibly take a lead in a more organised way. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Caddick and unanimously resolved that Cllrs, Anthony, Board, Bradford and Coleman meet as a group to discuss matters and it was asked that the item be re-visited on the next agenda.**

17. ASH TREES IN THE PARISH

a) To address concerns and questions

Cllr Bradford asked if the Parish Council was responsible for any ash trees in the Parish. Cllr Keeling said that he would ask the Tree Preservation Officer to report to him.

18. REPORT ON LOCAL PLANNING FORUM

15 November 2012

Cllr Anthony produced the following Report:

- Again there was a 'hard sell' on Neighbourhood Plans but still no hard evidence on the benefits to the community and too many unanswered questions – they just don't know the answers and it seems that the Government is making it up as they go along. Interestingly, there is still **not one** Neighbourhood Plan in existence – anywhere!!
- Phil Mason reported that the Coalition came in on Localism – less central control, using the 'carrot and stick' approach. He said that the stick has now been taken up on 'performance' (the measure is likely to be on appeals) and councils can have "special measures" taken against them and their powers taken away for a year.
- There was a session on Buildings Control which was more of an advertisement on the services they provide rather than their function of 'CONTROL'. Questions on their role in breaches of building control were met with vague answers – similar to Enforcement.
- From 3 December the West Planning Sub-Committee will start at 2 p.m. instead of 5 p.m.
- Worryingly there was constant reference to Community Network Areas with regard to the Cornwall Local plan and communication.
- The issue I raised at the last parish Council Meeting that Parish Councils should receive notification of Pre-Applications was raised as other Town and Parish Councils felt the same way – that we should be informed. Phil Mason understood the reasons why this was wanted and agreed that Andy England would deal with this.

Issues I raised in the Q & A session:

1. When would we receive information on the Planning Protocol Review?

Cllr Varney said that the consultation was complete and this would go to Committee in December.

2. Community Network Panels – there is an assumption in Planning that these are working, but in view of the damning report in the Governance Review Report they are not and therefore should not be relied upon as a method of communication between Cornwall Council and Town and Parish Councils/local community.

Noted!

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Bradford and unanimously resolved that an expression of thanks to Cllr Anthony be recorded.

19. HELSTON & THE LIZARD COMMUNITY NETWORK PANEL

a) Discussion on raising items for next agenda

It was felt by Cllr Anthony that there was insufficient representation at these meetings for decisions, etc. to be taken.

She felt that the meetings should not have the power that Parish Councils should have.

Cornwall Council, John Ballard will be reviewing this.

b) Next meeting 6 February, Isaac House, Helston

20. SEAGULL PROOF SACKS

To make a decision on whether to take part in the scheme

After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Coleman, seconded by Cllr Board and resolved with one vote against that 30 of the Seagull proof sacks be purchased for purchase by Parishioners.

Cllr Keeling informed the meeting that the Post Office at Breage is willing to sell them.

21. REPORT FROM CLERK

a) A reply has been received from Andrew George:

'Dear Carol Macleod,

'Thank you for your email of 9th November 2012 and I am grateful to you for your comments on behalf of Breage Parish Council with regard to the Growth and Infrastructure Bill.

'I agree that the Bill appears to mark a shift away from the Government's commitment to Localism, and has the potential to undermine existing environmental protection such as village greens which you highlight specifically in your email.

'I share your concerns about aspects of the Bill and also share the views of the Council for Protection of Rural England that the Bill is "a poor recipe for delivering either growth or infrastructure" to quote John Hoad, Head of Planning at the CPRE. Although the Bill has proceeded through its Second Reading, that does not mean to say that I will support it during the crucial latter stages if these concerns are not more adequately addressed.

'I have recently raised similar concerns to yours with regard to the registration of village greens with the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State in the Department for Communities and Local Government, Nicholas Boles MP, and as soon as I receive a reply I will forward a copy to you.

'With good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew George'

b)The water heater is trickling and cannot be turned off. The Clerk has reported this to the electrician and he will come asap.

c) A sympathy card has been sent to Mrs Simmons on the death of Charles.

d) Thanks for the promise of grants have been received from:

Ashton Amenity Association; Breage Band; Ashton Village Committee – whose members say that insuring the new marquee will be a must - and PSDCC.

e)Public Health information Line has request a link to the Parish Council website. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling,, seconded by Cllr Bradford and unanimously resolved that Public Health information Line may have a link to the Parish Council website.**

f) No Councillors have taken the recent offer of Code of Conduct Training at Camborne. There are further ones in St Ives, Camelford and Callington.

g) Tony Ackland has of course been in hospital and therefore he and the Clerk have not yet had chance to look at the Risk Assessment. The Clerk gave her apologies.

h) Re: -the request for additional rubbish bins: the Playing Field bin is not on land that CC owns or maintains so they will not provide an additional bin. They will move the present one if so wished.

i) A request was received from Helston Town Council re. HTC taking on Public Conveniences. The Council is looking to co-ordinate a joint agreement for services.

j) A message has been received that Lower Polladras road has been made safe.

k) HMR & C – from April 2013 a new way to report information in real time – details have to be sent every time a payment is made – there is a free package available for under 9 employees

l) EDF Variable Price Change – increase.

m) Barclays – The Council has been selected for a Barclaycard Business Credit Card. – The Clerk asked if she should say no to this? and was told definitely!

n) Sethnoe Way wall – the Neighbourhood Steward has spoken to the landowners and some of the wall has been tidied.

o) The Clerk asked for the money for Christmas Meal to be paid.

p) The Clerk wishes to take Annual Leave from 14 December 2012 to 3 January 2013 – this includes a Bank Holiday.

22. MEMBERS' REPORTS TO THE COUNCIL AND REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Breage Playing Field

a) To consider the Committee's request to erect fencing

The Secretary had supplied drawings of where the proposed fence would be sited. Cllr Rashleigh was very concerned about the number of trees that would be planted. Cllr Darby wondered if Mr Beard had been consulted.

The fence did not appear to cause a problem with the visual amenity. The Chairman asked if the matter could be deferred to give him chance to speak with the Secretary. The Clerk said that the Secretary wanted to get the trees in before Xmas if possible and would like the fencing in before that. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Coleman and unanimously resolved that the decision about fencing for Breage Field trees be deferred until the Chairman has had chance to discuss the matter with the Field Committee Secretary.**

Carleen Village Hall

Cllr Darby reported that there will be a Quiz on 15th December in aid of the Pantomime fund, a Soup and Pudding meal on 21st December from 12 noon to 2 p.m. and a Flea Market on 5 January 2013.

Cllr Rashleigh asked Cllr Keeling to find out who checks if the bat and owl boxes are correctly located in Planning Applications. She also asked why no-one has done anything about the caravan at the back of the school. Cllr Keeling said that Mandy Smith, Enforcement was dealing with this. Cllr Rashleigh reported that there is a hawthorn tree covered in ivy blocking a lay-by on the right of the Old Coach Road out of Breage.

Cllr Bradford asked whether house number 7 in Vicarage Row, Breage is listed as two new plastic windows have been put in and they look awful.

Cllr Coleman reported that the footpath out of Ashton had been uncovered. He said that Ashton Christmas Lights would be lit next Saturday and Breage Band would be playing from 6 o' clock.

Cllr Anthony was glad that Mike Peters agreed about the white line at Praa Sands. She had noticed that the bend sign has been moved. It had fallen down and has been replaced a distance away from where it was originally.

She asked if the bus stop sign could be moved to nearer the telephone exchange so that the school children had a large area in which to wait for the bus.

Cllr Board reported that Pengersick Lane on the right hand side, the track to the sewage works, across the pavement has been gouged out like a trench. She wondered if it was BT.

Mr Rayment said it was a new power supply for Haulfryn. Cllr Board said that she would let the Clerk know if it gets filled in.

Cllr Board had cleared the gullies to the Green after the flooding and had moved the soil at Mr Dyer's wall to try to get the water to flow to the gully. Cllr Coleman said that he would bring some ready-made cement in a bucket to the gully, Chy-an-Dour Road and see to the area.

23. CORRESPONDENCE

War Memorials Trust – Bulletin 5 November 2012

Cornish Mining - Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site Management Plan – draft consultation – comments by 14 January 2013

Open Spaces Society – Please write to your MP about threat to Greens

Parish Online – mapping services

Helston Town Council –Queries re. public conveniences

Open Spaces Society – Growth and Infrastructure Bill update

rsnonline – newsletter 12 November 2012

CRCC – AGM postponed - now February 2013

CC – Shaping our future meeting for older people/people with physical disabilities and sensory loss

Cinnamon Trust – volunteer dog walkers required – one needed in Ashton

Plantlife Organisation – hoping to reach out to wild plant enthusiasts

Cornwall Waste Forum – Meeting

Clerk Grampound with Creed – Looking for more about community benefit schemes

rsnonline – newsletter 19 November 2012

CAONB –Autumn 2012 newsletter

CC – Planning Committee meeting – PA12/07560- Mr R Benney Land adj. To Sunnysvale Farm, Higher Kenneggy – 3 December 2012

CAPITA – Council Tax Single Person Discount Review

SLCC –Key news items

Fit – case studies

MEP – Press release

Open Space Award –and Growth Bill update

rsnonline – newsletter 26 November 2012

CWFSDB – Further correspondence

Rsn – Call for Evidence what future for the Leader Programme – Comments by 21 December 2012

LAIS – briefing Government's council tax changes

To note any correspondence received since the agenda was published

SLCC – The Clerk magazine November 2012

rsnonline – newsletter 3 December 2012

SLCC – SW Regional Conference 12 February 2013, St Mellion Resort, Saltash

CALC – SW Emergency Response Group meeting 10th December

MEP – November e-mail newsletter

CC – recycling at Christmas and Rubbish Collection dates

CRCC – 18 December 2012, Roche Village Hall, 12 to 4.30 p.m. How to reduce the running costs of halls

24. TO RECEIVE ADVANCE NOTICE OF ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Update on Right to Bid.

Cllr Keeling said that there is a request for a Pre-Application meeting with the Council. Available dates are Monday 10th or Wednesday 12th December. Councillors were asked to please let the Clerk know which date is best for them. Cllr Keeling would like to speak informally for about ½ an hour, after this meeting, about the impact of the Code of Conduct on the Council and the implications

25. TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

CHRISTMAS MEAL at The Queen's Arms Breage, Thursday 13 December 2012, 7 p.m.

ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 8 JANUARY 2013 at 7.00 p.m. in the PARISH ROOMS

These were confirmed.

The Chairman wished All a Happy Christmas. There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

BREAGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DURING THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 DECEMBER 2012 IN THE PARISH ROOMS BREAGE AT 7.00 P.M.

At 7.14 p.m. the Chairman invited members of the public to put forward any concerns they had, or issues they wished to make known to the Parish Council, in regard to any items on the agenda.

Mr Rayment had been glad to have met with Mr Peters and felt it had been a worthwhile meeting. He appreciated that rumble strips were not possible but wondered about plain white un-noisy strips – just painted as a warning.

He asked if the double yellow lines would be in Trewartha Road as well. Cllr Keeling said that they would not this time as there was no money to do them, but maybe next year.

The parking on Greenways by the Basketball Court was obstructive to emergency vehicles.

Mr Rayment expressed concern that in an AONB more and more 30 m.p.h. signs and repeater signs were being installed.

A whole load was proposed for Germoe and Mr Rayment felt that soon the Countryside will not be visible for signs!!

Public Participation ended at 7.16 p.m.