

MINUTES – Tuesday, February 11, 2025

- 25/30 Councillors present**
Cllrs H Ferguson (chair); K Cann (vice chair); A Stacey; A Pengelly; C Bailey; A Pooley and J Chapman. Also in attendance: Cllr D Fairman; S Cleave, clerk and eight members of the public.
- 25/31 Apologies for absence**
Cllrs P Martin – unwell; P Cook – prior engagement.
- 25/32 Declaration of Interests**
None.
- 25/33 To receive and approve minutes of the last meeting**
Councillors approved the minutes from the Ordinary meeting held on January 14, 2025.
Proposed: K Cann Seconded: A Pengelly Votes: Unanimous
- 25/34 To receive and approve minutes of the extra ordinary meeting**
Councillors approved the minutes from the Extra Ordinary meeting held on January 16, 2025.
Proposed: K Cann Seconded: C Bailey Votes: Unanimous
- 25/35 Public participation (15 minutes allowed for this)**
One member of the public distributed a letter to those in attendance and another asked the clerk to read it out.
Another resident spoke about the lines at Atlantic Road, and said he had assurances that it was not going to happen.
- 25/36 County Councillor report - Cllr Dominic Fairman**
Cllr Fairman noted that St Teath Parish Council still has the Delabole toilets on their books, he asked if the parish council were happy for them to be transferred. He spoke to a planner about the recent application at Helland Barton. He said the planners were minded to recommend the application for approval, but the parish council had asked for it to be called into committee. Cllr Fairman said he could not support the parish council with taking it to committee. He said there would need to be realistic planning reasons to do so, and the applicant is not asking for a standalone planning unit. Cllr Cann said on the application it said for holiday use. Cllr Fairman said after eight years on the planning committee, they would say no issue with it.
- 25/37 Clerk's report**
The clerk's report was noted.
- 25/38 Consideration of planning applications**
PA24/07755 – Erection of eight, detached and semi detached 3 bedroom houses and a 2 storey building comprising 1 x 2 bedroom house and 2 x 1 bedroom flats (Use Class C3) on land to rear of existing public house (Sui Generis), utilising existing access off High Street, including the reconfiguration of the existing pub car park and beer garden, with associated hard and soft landscaping. Bettle & Chisel, 114 High Street, Delabole (amended plans).
Councillors proposed to object with the same reasons as before. The amended application has just added affordable housing to the description.
Proposed: K Cann Seconded: A Stacey Votes: Unanimous

b. To consider any other consultations received since publication of the agenda.

None.

c. To note planning application decisions

The following was noted: PA24/08887 – Outline application for one self/custom build agricultural dwelling with all matters reserved. Tregragon Farm, Delabole.

APPROVED

25/39

Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted: Planning news for local councils newsletter; Cornwall Interim Policy Position statement; Cornwall Council affordable housing newsletter.

25/40

Seaweed Farm

An update on the Seaweed Farm was given. The group is keeping the pressure on, The MMO has given another update and it is likely to be another couple of months before any material decisions are made.

25/41

Dog poo bin

The councillors resolved to purchase a dog poo bin for the memorial bench area, and seek prices from Cornwall Council to add it to schedule.

Proposed: J Chapman

Seconded: A Stacey

Votes: Unanimous

Following a request from residents, the council will contact Cornwall Council to see if one of the three bins outside the playing fields could be relocated to the Trebarwith Road junction.

Proposed: A Stacey

Seconded: C Bailey

Votes: Unanimous

25/42

Trees for the playing field

The clerk can possibly source trees from Forest for Cornwall. She will discuss details with the chair and apply.

25/43

Correspondence from residents of Atlantic Road

The residents' letters were noted by the council, and Cornwall Highways gave the council an assurance that no changes to any Traffic Regulation Order would be made without consultation.

25/44

Pedestrian crossing

Councillors received an update from Cornwall Highways. Cllr Stacey said the footfall numbers using the crossing are low because everyone tries to cross at the top of Pengelly. He said the least they could do would be to repair the existing crossing. The clerk will reply to Highways and stress the importance of the children and other residents of the village having a safe crossing.

25/45

Rendle Street car park

Cllr Cann raised the condition of Rendle Street car park. The clerk had sought some information from Cornwall Housing on when the works to the car park will take place, but had not received a reply before the meeting. Cllr Fairman said he would chase this.

25/46

Basketball hoop

The clerk will meet with Cllrs Chapman and Pooley to get photographs of the location, probably on the top side of the pavilion.

25/47

Pump track

The clerk will submit an application to the recently announced Community Levelling Up fund to see if the shortfall in funds could be raised. The skatepark committee would seek alternative prices for pump tracks.

Proposed: H Ferguson

Seconded: A Pooley

Votes: Unanimous

25/48

Memorial query

Councillors resolved to not charge for an infant memorial in the cemetery,

Proposed: H Ferguson

Seconded: A Pengelly

Votes: Unanimous

25/49 Delabole Allotment Group correspondence

The Delabole Allotment Group boundary fence report and thanks for grant were noted.

25/50 Finance

a. Councillors noted the balances of accounts as accurate for February 5, 2025.

Bank balance £83,179.38

b. Councillors noted the income received.

Name	Budget line	Payment method	Value
Drew Memorials – Sleep		BACS	£ 40.00
Delabole Allotment Group – rent		BACS	£ 5.00
G Coombe – R Goncalves EROB		BACS	£ 1.00

c. Councillors noted the below payments.

Budget line	Payment – February	Total
Staff wages	Staff wages	As per contracts
Pension	Cornwall Pension Fund (January)	As per contract
Office	Clerk mileage	£ 48.60
Grass cutting, weed spraying & footpaths	Growing Concern (January)	£ 960.00
Maintenance, utilities & supplies	EDF Energy – clock electricity (January)	£89.96
Maintenance, utilities & supplies	Suez – cemetery bin	£ 92.20
Office	3 mobile phone	£5.89
Maintenance, utilities & supplies	Source for Business – water cemetery (December payment)	£25.00
Maintenance, utilities & supplies	Source for Business – water toilets (December payment)	£24.00
Maintenance, utilities & supplies	British Gas – electricity toilets (January 2 to February 1)	£57.67
Maintenance, utilities & supplies	A Schofield – toilet rolls	£11.13
Maintenance, utilities & supplies	Toilet supplies – grabber and mop heads	£19.94
Cemetery	Memorial plaque for bench	£18.90
Office	Amazon ink	£95.79
Office	Shredder (part pay ¼)	£8.25
Bank	Unity Trust service charge	£6.00
Hall hire	Delabole Fire Station – February meeting	£18.00
Office	Stamps inc USA stamp for EROB	£ 9.60
Maintenance, utilities & supplies	Western Supply bill	£ 10.79

25/51 Agenda items for next meeting – March 11, 2025 – Delabole Methodist Chapel.

Play equipment.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm