

Colan Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 30th March 2022

Those present:, Maurice O’Gara, Pat Lambshead, Brian Killingback, Marc Dummett, Steve Lean, Vicky Smalley, John Fitter
Clerk – Di Willett.

Pat Lambshead was in the Chair.

1. Police Report:

No report received this month.

2. Public Speaking:

Andrew Brewer from Tregonning Farm outlined the plans for the proposed solar farm on his land. He stated that he would retain grazing rights which he already holds for this land. He said that the solar panels create a micro climate which improves the grass. No buildings will be destroyed to install the solar panels. He also stated that he is trying to help wildlife and the environment. The power lines will run to the power station at Indian Queens and there will battery storage provided. He is trying to make it mutually beneficial for everyone, investing back into the Community. The farm is already involved with Farm Net Zero and allows local schools to access the farm and spend days there. This application will be discussed by Councillors later in the meeting.

3. Cornwall Councillor’s Report:

There have been some concerns around the addition of the sand school at Lane. The owner inadvertently took the hedge away instead of creating a wider entrance. The Planning Officer has visited site and permission has now been granted for this work.

The Duchy of Cornwall wish to use the name “Hendra” for their new live/work units which will be next door to the new recycling centre There is a meeting next week between the Duchy and Hendra Tourist park as obviously the name clashes with the Tourist Park which is an established business in the area. The Duchy have been asked to do a land swap so that they can build the new centre, however the Duchy are not in a hurry to do this. It will probably not happen until the NSR is complete.

Colan Parish Council will shortly be receiving a revised planning application for the Kings Head site. John wants to add a condition to the application stating that no construction should start until the NSR development is complete. Once the application is received the Council will discuss their response.

Highways have decided to reject our application for speed awareness cameras on North Way and South Road as we are currently awaiting a response from our application for “twenty is plenty” signs.

The contractors carrying out the safety work on South Road tried to erect a sign on land belonging to Newquay Garden Centre – they have now agreed to place it between Trethiggey Crescent and Garden Way.

There is no further news on the KInglesy site on land opposite the Goldings – they still want to put a supermarket on the site, but Cornwall Council has rejected this.

The Saints Trail will not be coming into Colan Parish; it is too late now to draw down the money. If it is resurrected it will end at Trevemper bridge.

A complaint has been received from the developers at Sunnyside that one of the residents of the bridleway had put large stones in place along the edge of the bridleway which prevents HGV’s getting down to Sunnyside. This is ongoing at present.

A meeting has been held between Newquay Town Council, Sam Fuller from Cornwall Planning and the organizers of the Boardmasters Festival. It has been stressed that it is not appropriate for heavy traffic to access the site via Treloy Road., there does not appear to be any respect for local residents and businesses. A draft management plan has been submitted to Sam Fuller in the Planning Department.

Maurice asked what work the contractors are carrying out on Nansledan – there appears to be a large trench being dug across the site. John stated that he thinks it is a new water main and is part of the permitted development rights that the Duchy acquired for Nansledan, but will check exactly what it is for.

4. Declaration of Interest:

Declarations of interest will be declared prior to discussion of any agenda item involved.

5. Apologies:

Apologies received from:

Derek Luscombe, Alistair McKenna, Suzanne Featherstone and Fiona House

6. Cllr Ramsey:

Cllr Ramsey has not attended the last six meetings and has only attended one meeting in the last ten months. He has not notified us of any apologies. The Councillors present unanimously voted to terminate his position on the Parish Council. The Clerk will write to him and inform him of the decision.

7. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed by all present as true and correct. They were signed as such by Pat.

8. Matters Arising:

None

9. Planning Applications:

PA22/01511 - Solar farm, Tregonning Farm – Marc proposed approval of this application, this was seconded by Vicky and agreed by all present.

PA22/00803 – Construction of 3 bedroom dormer bungalow, 28 West Road – After discussion on several issues it was proposed by Pat to object to this application for the following reasons: overdevelopment of the site, no mains drainage, concerns regarding light and privacy for neighbouring properties. This was seconded by Maurice and agreed by all Councillors present.

10. Cornwall Governance Review:

No further news this month.

11. Action Group Against the Proposed Holiday Development at Bejowan:

No further news at present.

12. Accounts

CALC – Code of conduct training - £24.00 – approved by all

CALC – Membership for 2022/2023 - £663.03 inc VAT – approved by all.

Mrs D Willett – Fasthosts invoice for annual webhosting - £85.67 inc VAT – Approved by all.

Clerks Salary and expenses: Jan-Mar 2022 - £888.75 – Approved by all.

13. CIL Funds:

It has been confirmed that we can use this money to replace the tennis net and to replace the fencing around the toddler area. The Clerk was instructed to ask Court Solutions to replace the tennis net at a cost of £500.00. The fencing will be done once the clearance of the vegetation has been completed.

14. Devolution of Land:

The playing field devolution has been submitted for the next round of funding. No further response at the time of this meeting. The devolution of the land at Gypsy corner has been refused and we will not take on a management contract for this land.

15. Recreation Field/Hedgecutting/Grass Cutting/Tennis Courts:

The hedge by the allotments was cut this year using smaller machinery, so the gate did not need to be opened to allow access.

16. Playground Equipment:

We are still awaiting a quote from Outdoor Playpeople – the Clerk will chase this.

17. Queens Canopy/Community Event:

Marc will submit a price for supplying trees for the Recreation Field, although it is too late for this year we can plant them at the end of the season.

18. Speeding Issues – Quintrell Downs:

No further news at present.

19. Website:

No further news.

20. Letters/Notices:

None

21. Any Other Business

Vicky reported that she will order the litter pickers as soon as possible and try and encourage residents to help once a month.

Marc stated that the shipping container at the edge of the recreation field car park is falling apart. The Clerk has tried to contact the American football team but has had no response.. She will check the address with Alistair and try again. To be put on the agenda for next month

Brian stated that the cats' eyes on the road from Trevemper to Morrisons roundabout have been ripped out when the drainage work was done. John will look into this for us.

Vicky asked if there was any further news on the Contractor taking on the work at the Village but we have no further news at present. Apparently the contractor building the new Primary School at Tretherras has also gone into administration.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 27th April 2022

Di Willett

08/04/2022