



**St MINVER LOWLANDS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROCK METHODIST CHAPEL**  
**ON MONDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2009 @ 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr. Mrs Mould (Chairman)      Cllr. Blewett      Cllr. Mrs Gibson  
 Cllr. Gisbourne (PC/CC)      Cllr. Mrs Morgan      Cllr. Mrs Webb  
 Mrs Thompson (Clerk)

Minute	AGENDA ITEMS	Action
	<p><u>Chairman’s Welcome and Public Forum</u> – the Chairman welcomed those present.</p> <p>Prior to the Meeting, the Clerk gave a copy of the Council’s insurance policy to Cllr. Strong.</p> <p>Members met with Ms Cathy Devereux-Mack, their Planning Liaison Officer. She indicated that, in general, 1/2 spaces constitutes “adequate parking”, depending on location. Members wanted to see the ratio of parking linked to the ratio of bedrooms in a property. Cllr. Strong said the infrastructure, in particular the roads, are unable to cope with the volume of development in the parish. Ms Devereux-Mack said the time to address these concerns is when the Development Plan is out for consultation.</p> <p>Members expressed their concern at the size of the Pityme Park development and the fact that it does not link with the village. Ms Devereux-Mack said the planning application is on hold. Cllr. Morgan said there were several elements, e.g. taking someone’s garden for a footpath and ignoring highways guidelines as to pavement width, which rather indicates the planning application has been decided – this is not democracy. There was also a strong feeling that there is insufficient proof that there is a need for this additional social housing. Cllr. Mould said it would be useful if the Parish Councils could be included in the pre-planning application stage.</p> <p>Members were particularly dismayed that when the local Planning Committee refused the Pityme Park application, it was then to be referred to the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC). Ms Devereux-Mack explained that when CC was set up a hierarchy of committees was created – hence the SPC. She said the role of this committee has now changed and they are no longer a “referral” committee.</p> <p>Ms Devereux-Mack said Planning Officers had to be mindful a refusal might result in an appeal – the cost of which could be considerable. She confirmed that there is no right of appeal, by a third party, against a favourable planning decision.</p> <p>She was asked about Highways involvement in planning applications. She indicated this had improved since the creation of CC.</p>	

	<p>Cllr. Gisbourne and Gibson arrived at this point.</p> <p>Ms Devereux-Mack explained CC policy in respect of wind turbines.</p> <p>Cllr. Strong asked if it would be possible for the plans to be clearer, e.g. existing buildings to be outlined in one colour and extensions in another.</p> <p>The Planning Applications (PL170/2009) were taken at this point, to take advantage of the specialist knowledge of Ms Devereux-Mack.</p>	
166/2009	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u> – Cllr. Gilbert and Rathbone (both on leave); Cllr. Taper (family commitment).</p>	
167/2009	<p><u>Members' Declarations:</u></p> <p>a. <i>Declarations of Interest, in Accordance with the Agenda</i> – none</p> <p>b. <i>Declarations of Gifts over £25</i> – none</p>	
168/2009	<p><u>Minutes of Meetings:</u></p> <p>a. <i>Full Council Meeting</i> – 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2009, <b>AGREED</b> as a true record.</p> <p>b. <i>Planning Meeting</i> – 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009, <b>AGREED</b> as a true record.</p>	
169/2009	<p><u>Outside Bodies/Reports</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Police</i> – PC Taylor was not present, but sent a written report, in which he said a total of 2 crimes were recorded in November (1 assault and 1 criminal damage). This compares favourably with the previous year, when there were 8 crimes. For general information, PC Taylor advised there have been 10,000 fewer victims of crime in Cornwall than there were 5 years ago. Members wondered if this was due to the way statistics are being recorded.</p> <p>The Chairman gave a verbal update on the recent PACT Meeting. A copy of this has been submitted to the <i>St Minver Link</i>.</p> <p>b. <i>County Council</i> – Cllr. Gisbourne said he had been at the CC's budget setting meeting today.</p> <p>c. <i>St Minver Highlands Parish Council</i> – a copy of the October and November Minutes and December Agenda were made available.</p> <p>Members considered a suggestion from Highlands that the whole of Polzeath should be included within their boundary. There was a feeling this was a knee jerk reaction and there was no support for the proposal. The Clerk advised that Cornwall Council has the power to undertake a review and, that in our case, they would be obliged to do so if 250 residents requested it. The Clerk to ask the reasons for Highlands' suggestion.</p> <p>Members were amenable to Highlands' suggestion the Joint Meeting should be held towards the end of January 2010. The Clerk to suggest the last Wednesday in January.</p> <p>d. <i>Padstow Harbour Commission</i> – a copy of the October Minutes were made available at the Meeting. The Clerk was instructed to contact PHC and ask them to be mindful that the ice cream vending facility does not cause an inconvenience in the car park area.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	<p>The PHC considered Members request for an electronic sign, but felt that it would serve no purpose as motorists who saw the ‘full’ sign would already be committed to driving down Rock Road in order to turn around and any motorists trying to turn around in the golf club lane would create havoc. Also, in their experience, many motorists are happy to ignore such signs and enter the car park with the purpose of ‘cruising’ around until a space becomes available. Generally, PHC are happy to look at any ideas for improving traffic management, but this was not seen as a viable option. The Clerk to write and explain we envisaged the sign would be near the Clock Garage.</p>	Clerk
170/2009	<p><u>Planning Applications –</u></p> <p>a. 2009/01546, <i>Sea View, Tristram Cliff</i> – proposed new sun terrace with underground garage/store. Deferred to the Planning Meeting as the wrong paperwork was received.</p> <p>b. 2009/01554, <i>Wayland Corner, Rock Road</i> – conversion of garage into en-suite bedroom. <b>NO OBJECTION.</b></p> <p>c. 2009/01591, <i>Croftelms, Worthy Hill, Trebetherick</i> – FP, demolition of existing garage and construction of a green roof flat extension, alterations to existing dwelling including raising the roof and altering elevations (amendment to previous approval 2005/01715). <b>NO OBJECTION.</b></p> <p>d. 2009/01621, <i>30 Trelyn, Rock</i> – FP, demolition of existing bungalow and replacement with a new 3 bedroom bungalow. <b>NO OBJECTION.</b></p>	
171/2009	<p><u>Traffic Matters</u></p> <p>a. <i>Park and Ride Scheme for 2010</i> – Minute 156a/2009 refers. Cllr. Morgan is to meet with Mr Bray, who is considering increasing his car parking area for 2010. Following this meeting, the Council to consider re-introducing a park and ride scheme, to include the financial implications, and possibly to call a public meeting to gauge the view of residents on this and the Rock Road yellow lines.</p> <p>Capt. Atkinson advises he is happy to grant permission for busses to turn in the Rock car park, in fact, he has had the bus turning area lines painted back in when the line markings were done recently.</p> <p>b. <i>Double Yellow Lines</i> – Minute 156b/2009 refers. Every Parish Council is to mark a map of the area they wish to have covered by double yellow lines. Members were asked to consider any area, which require double yellow lines before the December Planning Meeting.</p> <p>In principle St Endellion and Highlands are happy with the possibility of a joint consultation exercise, to reduce costs. The Clerk advised a letter has been received from Mr Brian Doney, Highways confirming it is feasible to reduce costs this way, but it may be slightly over £1,000 per parish. He requests that we submit our final requests a.s.a.p.</p> <p>c. <i>Highways Consultation Fee</i> – Minute PL65f/2009 and 171a and 171b above refers. Covered by 171b/2009 above.</p>	



	<p>CRCC has emailed with information, regarding this survey, which is "...to discover what the level of awareness is within rural communities relating to community-ownership approaches to rural challenges..." Cllr. Mould to complete the survey.</p> <p>d. <i>CC Standards Committee</i> – Members are invited to apply to join CC Standards Committee.</p> <p>e. <i>Spotlight on Your Parish</i> – noted Ms Sally Lewis, Community Regeneration Officer seeks Members help in compiling a "scrapbook" of all that's best in the parish.</p> <p>f. <i>Town &amp; Parish Councils</i> – newsletter, November 2009. Taken by Cllr. Mould.</p> <p>g. <i>CALC Planning Liaison Group</i> – the Minutes of the Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009 and accompanying paperwork have been emailed and can be forwarded to interested Members.</p> <p>h. <i>Sustainable Communities Act Amendment Bill</i> – Members are asked to "promote and protect local sustainability" by urging private Members to support the Bill. Further information on <a href="http://www.localworks.org">www.localworks.org</a></p> <p>i. <i>Proposed Street Naming and Numbering Policy</i> – Mr Ross Mackenzie, Cornwall Council's Business Applications and Information Manager advises the policy can be viewed on <a href="http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/streetnaming">www.cornwall.gov.uk/streetnaming</a></p> <p>j. <i>Planning Proposals: A Guide for Officers, Councillors and Local Councils</i> – a discussion paper on the Pre-application Process and accompanying questionnaire, from Ms Beverley Devereux, CC can be emailed to Members. A hard copy will be available at the meeting.</p>	<p>Cllr. Mould</p> <p>Cllr. Mould</p>
<b>177/2009</b>	<p><u>Diary Dates</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Planning Meeting</i> – Scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> December 2009. Time of the Meeting changed to 5.30pm.</p> <p>b. <i>Network Meeting</i> – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2009, Egloshayle Pavilions, Wadebridge. Council confirmed Cllrs. Mould and Webb as their permanent representatives.</p> <p>Noted further Meetings are scheduled for Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2010; Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2010 and Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2010. All Meetings commence at 7pm and will be held in the Egloshayle Pavilions.</p>	
<b>178/2009</b>	<p><u>Information Only/Future Agenda Items:</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Bench, Polzeath Hill</i> – Cllr. Morgan said the bench looks to be damaged. The Clerk to request Mr Meneer to provide a quotation to repair.</p> <p>b. <i>CC Members' Grant</i> – Cllr. Gisbourne advised he still has some of his grant money to spend. He was advised to contact the school, as they had a number of projects in hand, but were lacking the funds to complete them.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr. Gisbourne</p>

Signature: ..... (Cllr. Mrs Carol Mould)  
Chairman

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> January 2010