



Madron Parish Council

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Ordinary Meeting of Madron Parish Council held at Landithy Hall on Thursday 02nd November 2023, at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr Mrs C Roberts (chairman)

Cllr L Philips

Cllr V Peake

Cllr M Scoble

Cllr A England

Clerk Mrs J.L. Ellis, Cornwall Councillor A George and no members of the public.

Cllr. H Eddy (vice-chairman)

Cllr Roy Mann

Cllr A Thomas

Cllr Richard Mann

Cllr S Elliott

- 1. Apologies** – Were received from Cllr C Whitton. Cllr S Clackworthy was absent.
- 2. Acceptance of Minutes** - The minutes of the Ordinary parish council meeting held on the 05th October 2023 were unanimously agreed.
- 3. Declarations of interest in items on this agenda** – Cllr Richard Mann and Cllr H Eddy in item 9 Planning PA23/08458.
- 4. Dispensations** – None Received.
- 5. Public Participation** – None.
- 6. Chairmans Comments** – Cllr Roberts thanked all who attended or helped with the Trafalgar celebrations, lots of compliments have been received from those who attended the event. The parish council badges were also well received with many compliments. On behalf of the parish council thanks go to the Madron W.I for doing an excellent job with the refreshments.
- 7. Councillor's Questions and Comments - (24 hour's notice to clerk advisable)**

Goosechase has workmen in at present who will hopefully trim back the hedge.

Madron Hill drains need clearing, clerk to report.

Roads closure signs need to be taken back to the pavilion – Cllr Eddy kindly agreed to do this.

Badgers cross layby situation is getting worse with more and more people coming and going and vehicles, Clerk to write to the Chief Executive and leader of Cornwall Council copying in Derek Thomas MP.

Cllr Elliott apologised for his absence of late and updated the council with the planning committee comments for the Higher Trananck development. Unfortunately, despite being requested to do so planning are dealing with various sections of the application in isolation and therefore not looking at the entire picture of the development. The application needs to be viewed as one so that the pedestrian crossing and footbridge requirements are considered with highways. Previously a nursery for the site was turned down due to a footbridge being required, however the current application for 300 houses has not included a footbridge.

Bone Valley trimming was done to a high standard and clerk has contacted highways to express our thanks for this.

The stream behind the 'Miners Arms' dwelling in Newmill runs diagonally under the road, which is blocked, clerk to report.

Break me neck lane has been poorly trimmed with brambles not being cut sufficiently or the buddleia and hydrangeas at the bottom, clerk to investigate.

8. Comments from Cornwall Councillor – Cllr George reiterated comments made on the Trannack planning application and added that it would be a very dangerous place to access for pedestrians, wheelchair users and pushchairs getting to and from Penzance. The application needs to be looked at as one. The trimming has been completed in Bone Valley, if there are any other areas in the parish to let Cllr George know. Cllr George was asked to investigate if landowners in Bone Valley are going to be charged for the trimming as it would not be fair on those who undertake the trimming themselves if they are not. CLUP funding is available with a fairly short expression of interest window. Cllr George has arranged for A Mason from CC to attend on the 07.12.23 at 6.45pm to discuss enforcement cases.

9. Planning – Applications

PA23/06615 - 39 Old Court Kenegie Manor Gulval - Permission for use of an existing building for holiday purposes. It was RESOLVED to support the application.

Cllrs Richard Mann and H Eddy left the room.

PA23/08458 - Hellangove Farm Gulval Penzance - Replacement of existing outbuildings with new garden room gym /pool /home office. The application was discussed and it was noted that artificial grass surrounding the development was not environmentally friendly or in keeping with the rural setting. It was RESOLVED to object to the application on the basis that the footprint of the development is larger than the house, the flat roof design is not compliant with the Madron neighbourhood development plan, the original buildings on site are temporary, the development is separate from the dwelling and there is no mention in the application of where the chemicals from the swimming pool will be disposed of.

Cllrs Richard Mann and H Eddy returned.

Commons Application 3060 and 3061 in Madron have been circulated to Cllrs with no comments to submit.

10. Footpaths – 104/37/1 the pallet obstruction has been removed as the cattle are now in. Clerk will ask the countryside team if they will supply three stiles that are required to the landowner for him to install.

11. Clerk's Report and Correspondence

Trafalgar Event – Clerk advised this year's event went well and was well attended. Clerk has received many thank you emails from those who attended. Clerk thanked all Councillors who helped with the event and also the Madron W.I ladies who did a fantastic job with the teas and coffees. It was agreed to make a donation of £100.00 at December's meeting to the Madron W.I.

Finger Post damage Gear Lane –Cllr Richard Mann will obtain three quotes to fix.

Internal Audit – clerk to arrange a mutually agreeable time and date with Cllr Richard Mann and Cllr Mike Scoble.

Remembrance Service – Sunday 12th November will be in the memorial garden at 10.50am then continue in the church, if wet will all be held in the church.

Madron Christmas Tree – Trevenna can supply a 10-12ft Norway Spruce as we had last year at the same price- £120 plus delivery of £10 for the 01st December 2023. It was RESOLVED clerk would order this.

Bank signatories – It was agreed to increase the number of Cllr bank signatories in addition to the current 3 councillors in case of absence. Cllrs Elliott and Eddy agreed, clerk would liaise with Unity to add them.

Madron Feast – The Feast committee would appreciate it if the parish council could make a donation towards the village events, as the committee would appreciate 3 food heaters, that would help keep food warm for the village meal and can be reused at future events. It was agreed to make a £100 donation towards the feast celebrations payable to Landithy hall managers. Cllr Scoble will look to see if Landithy still has a hostess trolley.

Clerk's review – Cllr Roy Mann, and Cllr V Peake gave a report on the clerk's annual review carried out on the 31.10.23. It was RESOLVED to agree 1.) The NALC pay inflation pay increase once agreed by NALC and backdate to 01.04.23, 2.) Increase clerk's contracted hours by 10 hours per month to 70 hours per month, 3.) back date the increase of 10 hours per month to 01.04.23. All Councillors agreed, and thanked clerk for her work.

12. Payments - It was unanimously agreed and RESOLVED that the following payments be approved

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| Mrs Jodie Ellis, clerk | Salary | £1016.48 |
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| | Disbursements | £123.55 |
| HMRC | Clerk Tax / NI | £237.69 |
| Mr R Sanders | King George V Cutting | £696.00 |
| Biffa | Bin Emptying | £36.79 |
| RBL Poppy Appeal | Donation | £200.00 |
| Duchy Cleaners | Pavilion Clean | £64.80 |
| Complete Weed Control | 2 nd Spray of Madron village | £264.00 |

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| Cornwall Council | Trafalgar Road Closure | £55.00 |
| K & D McFadden | Trafalgar parade pasties | £255.00 |
| Playing Field Account | | |
| Source for Business | Water daily charge – no usage | £15.28 |

13. **King George V** – Clerk advised Live west have visited the site and have written to landowners about the overgrown vegetation. They have raised a job to repair the wall that is cracked. The play area fence has been completed and will be paid at December’s meeting.

Our Planning application currently has one parishioner objection and one from Sport England. Clerk in conjunction with maverick have written to the planning officer to answer the Sport England objections confirming that the football pitch will not be lost and the parish council welcomes use for it. Clerk has re-applied for the CIL funding and has a meeting on Friday with the CLUP team to discuss funding eligibility. The monthly ROSPA inspection of the play area equipment has highlighted the log bridge as needing repair, R Sanders has submitted a quote of £234.00 to repair. It was RESOLVED to accept this.

14. **Any other Business for the next Agenda** – None.

15. **Time and Date of Next Meeting** – Thursday 7th December 2023 at 7.30pm at Landithy Hall.