

SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL
Chairman: Councillor Philip Martin

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Minutes of the ordinary parish council meeting held at Sithney school on Tuesday 07th January 2025 at 7.30pm.

Cllr P Martin (chairman)

Cllr M Tresidder (vice-chairman)

Cllr L Penrose

Cllr S Hilditch

Cllr N Logan

Cllr I Bulavs

Parish Clerk Jodie Ellis, Cornwall Councillor L Jenkin and one member of the public.

- 1. Apologies for absence** – Were received from Cllr D Cattran.
- 2. Acceptance of minutes** – Approval of the minutes of the ordinary parish council meeting held on the 03rd December 2024 were unanimously agreed and signed by the chairman.
- 3. Declarations of interest for items on this agenda** – None.
- 4. To consider any applications for dispensations under section 33 of the localism act 2011** – None received.
- 5. Public participation** – A parishioner wished members a Happy new Year and reported that CC have been in Lowertown clearing the drains.
- 6. Chairman's comments** – Cllr Martin wished all a Happy new year and advised he recently attended the funeral of the parish council's former chairman Peter Bickford-Smith, which was a well-attended service.
- 7. Councillors' questions and comments** - 24-hour notice in accordance with Standing Orders advisable – Prospidnick Lane drains are blocked causing flooding issues, clerk to report.
- 8. Cornwall councillor's comments** – Cllr Jenkin advised she also attended the funeral of Peter Bickford-Smith with people travelling from far afield. The planning committee result before Christmas was disappointing with planners remaining with the decision of refusal due to the application being classed as building in the countryside. The Nancegollan highways scheme has gone through the first consultation with the gateways being the next stage, hopefully all sections will be built together before the end of March. The 20's plenty scheme for Sithney, Trannack and Lowertown all seem suitable and hopefully Nancegollan will be included after the highway's works are completed.
- 9. Planning:** PA24/09600 - The Old Piggery Prospidnick Helston - Single-storey extension to the rear of the property and some minor internal reconfiguration. Councillors discussed the application and taking into account the past property history and the information supplied, it was RESOLVED that Sithney Parish Council support the application. All Cllrs in Favour.
Marazion town council email regarding planning decisions at CC – Cllrs noted the correspondence.
- 10. Public rights of way** – no issues to report.
- 11. Clerk's report and correspondence.**
The new Sithney village streetlight should be installed week commencing the 20th January 2025.
CIL Income – funds were noted with the streetlight invoice due before the end of the financial year.
Land at Merther close Sithney – CC have agreed to a site meeting with Cllrs Martin, Penrose and Cornwall Cllr L Jenkin to discuss options. Clerk to arrange a convenient time.
- 12. Internal Auditor** – to discuss re-appointment of current Internal Auditor Ms B Goraus for the 2024/2025 audit. Cllrs discussed the competence and independence of the current Internal Auditor, and it was agreed to re-appoint Ms B Goraus for the 2024/2025 audit.
- 13. Payments** - It was RESOLVED, all Councillors in favour that the following payments be authorised:

Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS) – Clerk – standing order	£149.63
Mrs J Ellis – Clerk Salary – Standing order	£799.97
R Sanders – Plovers field cut and bus stop trim	£111.60
Cornwall Air Ambulance – grant donation	£200.00
Jodie Ellis – reimbursement, postage and cloud backup license for laptop	£89.70
	£1,350.90
- 14. Financial report of the clerk** – There are payments to pay totalling £1393.25 as reported in item 13. The bank reconciliations at the end of December on the Current Account and Business Saver have been circulated to members in the Rialtas reports, it was unanimously RESOLVED to accept the reports.

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- 15. To discuss letter to government to request a distinct devolution deal for Cornwall** – Cllr Tresidder advised that all Cornwall Councillors and M.Ps agree that Cornwall should remain a unitary authority and stand alone as merging with others would undermine local democracy and remove all the things that make Cornwall unique. Cllr Tresidder will circulate to Cllrs the letter signed by all parties that agree Cornwall should remain on its own.
- 16. 20mph pre-consultation meeting** – Cllr Logan reiterated what Cllr Jenkin had advised that the proposed 20mph locations were suitable and it was noted signs need to be near buildings so that motorists take note of the speed change on a country road. It was agreed the clerk would ask highways for Nancegollan to also be included once the highways works are completed. The public consultation will commence soon with the final decision due in March with the works to be completed after the elections in May 2025.
- 17. Time and date of the next meeting** – Tuesday 04th February 2025 at 7.30pm at Sithney School.