

WEEK ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council meeting took place on Monday 22nd April 2013 at 7.30pm under the chairmanship of Mr L Davies with 7 Councillors, the Clerk, PCSO Sarah Ross and 2 members of the public present.

The following matters were discussed:

OPEN FORUM – a parishioner explained about the reasons for planning application PA13/02079 and that since 2009, when the condition was placed on the approval, there are many factors that have changed and these have an adverse impact.

PCSO SARAH ROSS apologised for not being able to attend the Annual Parish Open Meeting on 15th April due to illness. PCSO Ross advised the meeting about the Devon & Cornwall Police non-emergency number 101 and that the police are offering a free security survey on properties and can give advice on window and door locks, security of sheds or other buildings. The number to ring for this and any other non-urgent matters is 01288 357502.

WEEK ST MARY HOUSING SURVEY. – The Clerk has emailed CC again.

JUBILEE OAK TREE. –the offer has ended.

CARAVAN AT WEEK GREEN. CC Development Officer advised that the caravan was not being inhabited but is used as a general store and home for dogs and therefore does not constitute a breach of planning control.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS – it was unanimously agreed, each month, to deal with planning earlier on the agenda.

PLANNING DECISION NOTICES - PA13/00834 Amendment to approved application PA12/08658 for the conversion of barn to dwelling, namely proposed two storey extension to barn. Mr & Mrs C Congdon. Withdrawn

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. PA13/02079 - Removal of condition 2 (limiting occupation of the dwelling to a qualified local person) of planning application no. 2009/00210 dated 06.04.2009 The Barn Week St Mary. Miss Tracey Ward. Recommended for approval.
2. PA13/00655 - Construction of extension to the rear of property Manciple House Week St. Mary - Mr Stephen Cunningham. Recommended for approval.
3. PA13/01947 - Extension to dwelling. Maycott Week St Mary (revised scheme). Mr and Mrs A Jones. No objections.
4. PA13/02171 - Change of use of part of a pasture field, to a bark chippings yard for exercising/training horses. Yard to be surrounded with post and rails fencing with 30cm timber kick boards at base. Leigh Manor Farm Week St. Mary. Mrs Anne Bucknell. Recommended for approval
5. PA13/02575 - Application for the removal of group of 6 Sycamore trees (T1, T2, T3, T4, T5 and T6) and removal of 1 individual sycamore tree (T7) in a Conservation Area. The Tudor House Week St Mary. Mr Stephen Smith. No requirement for the council to respond as it is for notification only.
6. PA13/02828 Construction of first floor extension and alteration to existing ground floor terrace Chestnut Lodge Week St Mary. Mr Phil Deeks. No comment.

FOOTBALL FIELD LEASE & TIPPING LICENSE PLANNING APPLICATION – A meeting with the solicitor is planned for later in the week. The Chairman thanked Mr P Sachs for all the work and time he has spent on the project.

STANDING ORDERS - NALC recommended standing orders (2011 with the 2013 recommendation amendments) had been circulated. It was agreed to defer to May for the new council.

COUNTY COUNCIL & PARISH COUNCIL NOMINEES There are 4 nominees for the Poundstock Ward County Councillor: A V Ades, N Chopak, R Powell and P Sousek. 8 councillors have been nominated and there will not be an election, the 2 new nominees are Messrs P Coulson and S May. The outgoing parishioners retire on 6th May and the incoming councillors come into office on 6th May. A notice advertising 2 vacancies will be placed on the noticeboard and the council should aim to co-opt by 24.06.13.

FORMING AN INDEPENDENT, CONFIDENTIAL ADVICE/SUPPORT SERVICE FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING STRESS, HEALTH PROBLEMS OR WORRIES ABOUT THE WEEK ST MARY RENEWABLE ENERGY PROPOSAL - There was a discussion about the negative effect that renewable energy proposals are having on many people and the benefit of them having a neutral confidential person to talk to in order to alleviate stress. Some names were suggested and it was agreed to defer to the May meeting.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING FROM MONDAYS TO ANOTHER DAY OF THE WEEK - Deferred to May for the new council

CORNWALL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (CALC) MEMBERSHIP – It was unanimously agreed to continue with the membership.

PLAYING FIELD - the site base is being prepared for the Skateboard Park. The Clerk has details of one provider for a RoSPA safety check but has not had a response from CC.

PARISH HALL – A grant application is being prepared by the Hall Committee to the Green Cornwall Community Grant Fund to replace the obsolete gas boiler. The Clerk will write a letter on behalf of the parish council in support of the Grant request. There was a long discussion concerning the increase in energy costs and lack of income generated to cover expenses.

CORRESPONDENCE in addition to the list on the agenda, items dealt included CALC Training & Events 2013 and a grant request from Victim Support. Correspondence circulated at the meeting included: CC East Sub-Area Planning Committee Agenda 29.04.13; PLD Solicitors – feedback form; Cornwall Blind Association letter and end of grant report; Glasdon Direct Division leaflet; CC Community Infrastructure Levy & FAQs; Bude Community Network Panel Notes 11.03.13; Department for Communities & Local Government Supporting Communities in Neighbourhood Planning 2013 – 15.

FINANCE Cheques were raised for the following: toilet cleaner; CC Loan Repayment; Week St Mary Magazine paper; Playing field grass cutting May 12 – Apr 13; CALC Annual subscription. Income was received from Week St Mary Football Club for water and energy; ECLAG Parish Office final grant payment; HMRC VAT reimbursement June 12 – Feb 13; CC Local Maintenance Partnership Footpaths Scheme 2012-13, CC Precept 2013/14 first payment; CC Tax Supporting Funding Grant first payment.

FINANCIAL REGULATIONS. It was agreed to circulate again and defer for the new council.

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS BALANCE SHEET - YEAR ENDED 31.03.13. The figures were approved.

NOTICE OF AUDIT – the Annual Return must be submitted by 03.06.13.

POOR MAN'S PIECE – There was a short discussion about a scheme to plant trees but there were no details.

RENEWAL/TENDERS FOR CONTRACTS - a tender is awaited for the village greens grass cutting. The Football Club will be asked to continue with the existing arrangements. The toilet cleaner will be requested with the current system.

PARISH OFFICE –The ECLAG notice has been affixed. The external sensors and the internal sensor in the toilet will be checked.

FOOTPATHS LMP – The offer to continue with the Footpath LMP with CC has been received. It was agreed to continue with the scheme for 2013/14.

HIGHWAYS – It was agreed to trim the worst of the overgrown hedge on the road side of the playing field

DATE OF NEXT MEETING Annual Parish Council Meeting Monday 20th May 2013 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

B Heathcote Parish Clerk