

MINUTES OF THE ST SAMPSON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 25TH MAY 2021 AT 8PM IN ST SAMPSON PARISH CHURCH, GOLANT

Present: Councillors D Jenkinson, (Chairman), D Pugh-Jones, D Johns, A Van den Broek, S Harper, S Phillis, and M Whell.

2 members of the public

Sue Blaxley (Parish Clerk)

The Clerk opened the meeting at 8pm.

Public Participation

Louise Jordan said that she was speaking on behalf of Amanda Cross who lives at Driftwood. She said that Amanda is querying the frequency of the road cleaning by the developer of the Cormorant Hotel, given the unacceptable state of the road. The Chairman said that he would contact the developer regarding this matter. Fayre Hardy thanked the parish council, on behalf of Golant Heritage Group, for the donation of £500 and she also thanked the parish council for considering the request from the Village Hall committee for financial assistance towards the provision of broadband in the village hall.

1. Apologies

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Graham Estlick.

2. Election of Chairman

It was proposed by Councillor D Pugh-Jones and seconded by Councillor D Johns that Councillor D Jenkinson be elected as Chairman. No other nominations were received. All Councillors voted in favour of the proposal. The proposal was therefore carried.

3. Election of Vice Chair

It was proposed by Councillor S Harper and seconded by Councillor S Phillis that Councillor A Van den Broek be elected as Vice Chair. There were no other nominations and the proposal that Councillor A Van den Broek be elected as Vice Chair was carried unanimously.

4. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 27th April 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on 27th April 2021, having previously been circulated, were agreed as an accurate record.

5. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda

None

6. Planning

To receive and consider the following planning application:

PA21/04270 - Two storey side and rear extension with Juliet balcony and associated landscaping works at Hillside, Water Lane, Golant

The Chairman said that the proposed extension to the rear is a substantial development, but that it was mostly at the rear of the building. It was noted that the occupiers of the neighbouring residential properties have no objections to the proposal. It was proposed by Councillor D Johns and seconded by Councillor D Pugh-Jones that the application be supported. All Councillors voted in favour of this proposal. The proposal was therefore carried.

7. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

To receive and consider reports on the action points from the previous meeting

Contact Rachael Tatlow about road signs that need repairing or replacing – DJ

The Chairman explained that the priority is to have the double yellow lines below St Sampson's Terrace painted as soon as possible given that there have been two recent incidents. He was therefore unwilling to remove the focus from getting the Double Yellow Lines painted.

Email SWW, asking them to notify the parish council if they intend to use car park - DJ

The Chairman said that he has actioned this matter.

Ascertain if incident with dumper truck was a notifiable incident – DJ

This matter is covered under item 14 of the minutes.

Ask developer to repair remaining hole in road in turning circle – DJ

This matter is covered under item 14 of the minutes.

Discuss with the developer the tarmac at the end of Gumms Lane – DJ

This matter is covered under item 14 of the minutes

To receive and consider reports on any other matters arising from the previous meeting

The Clerk said that she has made an application to Unity Trust Banking to enable the parish council to change the banking arrangements from Lloyds to an online bank account with Unity Trust Bank.

8. To receive the Chairman's Communications

The Chairman reported that he had received the following communications:

- an email from Golant Heritage Group thanking the parish council for their donation.
- an email notifying the parish council about the erection of scaffolding outside Hendra.
- an email from a parishioner who said that they had had to take avoiding action against an SUP vehicle which was allegedly driving too fast.
- an email regarding the turning circle at the end of Gumms Lane.
- an email from Cornwall Council asking if a decision has been made regarding the retention of the telephone box. It was agreed that the parish council no longer wanted it to be retained as it is an eyesore and no calls have been made from it for over 2 years. But it does rely on getting a signal to the Boatwatch hut. Councillor D Pugh-Jones said that the WIFI in the Boatwatch Hut would possibly allow people to make WIFI calls from their mobile phones? Councillor D Johns said that emergency calls can be made in any event from a mobile phone irrespective of the availability of a signal.

9. To answer any questions from Councillors, previously notified to the Clerk

Councillor A Van den Broek said that he had been asked by Graham Estlick if the parish council would plant a tree for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. This will be picked up at the next meeting as an agenda item.

10. To receive a report from the Clerk

None

11. To receive reports from -

a) Police

None

b) Cornwall Councillor

None

12. To authorise the signing of orders for payment, including -

Mrs. S Blaxley (21st April 2021 – 18 th May 2021)	- £455.72
Cornwall Council (Rent for Car Park – May 2021)	- £166.67
Cornwall Pension Fund (Pension Contributions – May 2021)	- £77.70
H. Cooper (Tarmac at entrance to Village Green)	- £2,400.00
David Bonsall (Registration of Boathut to enable broadband)	- £80.00
Playsafety Ltd (Annual Play Equipment Inspection)	- £86.40
South West Water (Water for Toilets)	- £46.81

It was proposed by Councillor D Johns and seconded by Councillor S Harper that all the above orders be authorized for payment. All Councillors voted in favour of this proposal.

13. Finance Report

To receive a current financial statement of the accounts and review income, expenditure, and budgeting

The Clerk reported that, this month, income of £1,892.31 had been received from Cornwall Council being the first half of the precept, £4,725.00 from Cornwall Council being the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) and £190.00 for car parking permits. She said the accounts balance at £32,125.74. She said that, for the first time, justification must be given in the submission to the external auditor as to why the parish council is holding more than twice its precept in reserves. As has been confirmed in previous minutes, there is a requirement to hold substantial reserves for the various projects in the pipeline. These can be identified as and when required to the auditor.

14. Cormorant Hotel Site

To receive and consider matters arising relating to the Cormorant Hotel site

- The Chairman said that the new tarmac surface stops before the end of Gumms Lane as the organizer of the road re-surfacing had mistakenly believed that the end of Gumms Lane was owned by the Cormorant Hotel. The Chairman said that the developer of the Cormorant Hotel site has confirmed his willingness to tarmac the end of the road (at his expense) on the completion of the development once the services are installed and further, that he understands that that part of Gumms Lane is not owned by the developer. Separately, Councillor S Phillis said that the ownership of the turning circle (which is adjacent to the unfinished part of Gumms Lane) has always been a contentious issue. It was agreed that Councillor D Johns would undertake a Land Registry search to clarify the matter.
- The Chairman said that following an incident when the brakes on one of

- the dumper trucks failed and it rolled over, a number of concrete blocks fell off the truck, down the hill, landing in the turning circle by the quay. When questioned, the developer confirmed that their Health and Safety consultant had undertaken an investigation. They had concluded that this was not a notifiable incident. The Chairman said that new measures have since been put in place by the developer to avoid a repeat of this event.
- The Chairman said that the developer will be submitting a planning application for minor modifications to the proposal as approved. One of the modifications is to re-route the footpath through the site as the planned footpath cannot follow its designed route. The second modification is to provide increased foundations under a number of the properties because of the nature of the subsoil. This will then generate voids under some of the dwellings which could be used as cellars or stores. Councillor D Johns said that the dwelling at the southern end seems to have a large area of land being cleared to the rear, which is not part of the original footprint. The Chairman said that he would ask the developer what their intention is for this land.

15. Devolving Assets from Cornwall Council

To receive and consider matters arising relating to the devolution of assets from Cornwall Council

The Chairman reported that there is no further update regarding the devolution of the toilets and car park. He said that the process is frustratingly slow. He said that the art studio is going to be sold on the commercial market through May, Whetter and Grose. Councillor D Johns said that he would contact the agent for more details, but that it was not showing as being “on the market” yet.

16. Golant Car Park

To receive and consider any matters arising relating to the car park

The Chairman said that Cornwall Council has now registered the Boatwatch Hut as a building, for a fee of £80. (Thanks to input from David Bonsall) He said that BT should now be able to provide Broadband to the building. It was proposed by Councillor D Johns and seconded by Councillor A Van den Broek that Councillor D Jenkinson be authorized to ask BT to install a line for the provision of data for the benefit of upgrading the car parking machine to take credit and debit cards and possibly CCTV for the Boatwatch Hut. All Councillors voted in favour of this proposal. The proposal was therefore carried. The Chairman said that the keys for the car parking machine have been lost so he has ordered a new set. It was agreed that the new parking charges and times (as previously agreed) will be implemented from 1st July 2021. The Chairman said that he would notify GQUA and Golant Boatwatch and confirm the changes in the forthcoming Golant Pill.

17. Public Toilets

To receive and consider any matters arising relating to the public toilets

The Chairman said that Cornwall Council has agreed to pay for the replacement Wallgate machine. He said that after considerable communications, he had received a telephone call from both Cornwall Council and Cormac confirming that they can order the machine and that they will be tasked to install it. Councillor D Pugh-Jones said that in the meantime, it is imperative to provide hand sanitizer and to ensure it is “topped up”.

18. Village Green

To receive and consider any matters arising relating to the village green

- The Chairman said that Tom Parsons will be holding his wedding celebrations on the village green on 17th July 2021 and that the Rowing Club will be holding a 40th Anniversary celebration (also on the Village Green) during the summer.
- He said that Jo Cocker and Gillian Murphy are progressing the playground project and are looking at three suppliers. The Clerk confirmed that three quotations for play equipment will be needed. The Chairman reported that he has already seen indicative quotations for upwards of £20,000 for a new playground. Councillor D Pugh-Jones said that grant funding for the project should be sought.

19. Neighbourhood Plan

To receive and consider matters arising relating to the neighbourhood plan

Councillor S Harper said that the NDP has been allocated to an examiner to ascertain if the document is now legally compliant. Following this, a Parish referendum will be held, which will finally bring the document to completion.

20. Highways

To receive and consider matters arising relating to highways in the parish

It was noted that the highways matter relating to the extension of the yellow lines below St Sampson’s Terrace was progressing through Cornwall Council and that it was anticipated they would be painted on the road during the summer. In the meantime, the Chairman said that he had requested permission to place “no parking” traffic cones in the location of the proposed new yellow lines. This had been supported by our Cornwall Councillor Andy Virr.

21. Footpaths and Benches

To receive and consider matters arising relating to footpaths and benches in the parish

It was agreed that some of the footpaths will soon need cutting. Councillor A Van den Broek said that he would arrange for this to be done.

22. Village Hall Broadband

To receive and consider a request for a financial donation from Golant Village Hall Committee for broadband for the village hall

The Chairman said that Golant Village Hall Committee had requested finance for the provision of broadband in the village hall in the sum of £287.88. The Clerk said that this money had to be donated under Section 133 of the Local Government Act 1972. It was proposed by Councillor D Pugh-Jones and seconded by Councillor S Harper that a donation of £287.88 be made. All Councillors voted in favour of this proposal. The proposal was therefore carried.

23. Corona Virus

To receive and consider any matters relating to the corona virus pandemic

None

24. Code of Conduct

To adopt the code of conduct

It was noted that the code of conduct had been circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Councillor D Johns and seconded by Councillor S Harper that the code of conduct be adopted. All Councillors voted in favour of this proposal. The proposal was therefore carried. The Clerk reminded all councillors of the need to undertake code of conduct training as had been identified in a previous email.

Steve Phillis reported that the first of the two dates was already fully booked.

25. Date of next meeting

To confirm the date and venue of the next meeting on Tuesday 22nd June 2021

The date of the next meeting will be on Tuesday 22nd June 2021, commencing at 7:15pm in Golant Village Hall.

There was no further business, and the meeting was closed at 9:20pm.

ST SAMPSON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

26th May 2021

ACTION POINTS

<u>Minute Number</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>By Whom</u>
14	Ascertain ownership of Gumms Lane turning circle via Land Registry	D Johns
14	Ascertain from developer intentions regarding land on southern end of Cormorant site Ask Developer to organize the street sweeper	DJ
15	Contact May, Whetter and Grose regarding Sale of art studio	D Johns