

Mabe Parish Council

C/o The Parish Office, MS Electrical, The Square, Mawnan Smith, Cornwall TR11 5EP

Minutes of the meeting of Mabe Parish Council held on Thursday 8th March 2018 at the Mabe WI Hall, at 7.30pm

Present: Parish Councillors A Thomas (chair), C Cole, K Phillips, R Phillips, T Tindle, P Tisdale & M Wilkinson
L Clements (Parish Clerk) & 3 members of the public

176.18 Safety Procedures - These were explained by the chair

177.18 Apologies for absence - Cllr J Frost & T Kingsley. Cllr Williams would not be attending meetings

178.18 Declarations of interest in Agenda Items - Cllr Tisdale 15a ; Cllr Tindle 15c

179.18 Minutes of Previous Meeting --- meeting 8th February 2018

Proposed: Cllr Tindle **Seconded:** Cllr Phillips

180.18 Matters Arising - from previous meetings

- Invitation issue to planning for Quarry meeting
- Cllr Phillips to work on project for the movement of the St Piran's statue
- Information received that a Parish Council should not provide funds for church maintenance works

181.18 To address council vacancies & position of nominees for co-option (may include presentation) from candidates). No nomination for elected open space so is now open to co-option. Possible names x2 for next meeting.

182.18 Public Participation Paul Hayes (headteacher Mabe School) – comment on 15c (PA18/01483). Accepts that plans are visually unappealing but the school desperately needs pace as they are over capacity in almost every year and over in 1, with class sizes of 34/35. Space for growth in numbers, to cover the requirements in the National Curriculum and school development in general was essential. Expansion of any kind has been under investigation since the Kingston Way development was initially proposed. There have been more appeals this year for spaces that can be remembered and there is a need to split Early Years from Year 1 as they now have completely different syllabus & criteria.

Cllr Phillips was concerned that increased numbers were not due to an increase in pupils within the catchment area, rather students being put into any school that has space and was concerned that an increase in capacity would only lead to more vehicular traffic as pupils from further away were given places.

Cllr Wilkinson was worried that the building was unnecessarily obtrusive and its modular construction (along with the possible future need for another classroom) would be taking up space directly at the frontage of the school. She noted that studies showed that an "attractive school" produced better results and provided student with a more positive learning attitude. She asked if the company that did the nursery build would be able to tender for these works, but Mr Heyes said it would be unlikely as they found the tendering system hard to navigate at County level.

183.18 Update on play equipment project status – the clerk made everyone one aware that the S106 application had been approved, but there was still the outstanding matter of drainage works to be considered. There was a quote for £3287 on the books, which she had discussed with Jon Mitchell (Open Spaces) and could be added to the S106 bid if both parties (the MYCP & Parish Council) were happy with it. James Goodman (MYCP liaison) said he had not seen the plans for this quote and would like to 100% confirm that they addressed his professional issues before agreeing. The clerk agreed to try to get the plans from the designer at Cormac asap and forward to James.

It was agreed that, pending agreement on the scope of works, that the parish & MYCP agree to the drainage works quote to commence asap. **Proposed:** Cllr Phillips **Seconded:** Cllr Cole

184.18 Report from Cornwall Councillor Williams - not in attendance

185.18 Police Matters - PCSO Huddleston reported that overall numbers of PCSOs were falling across the county and a more regular presence that the mandated once a year visit was going to be difficult in future. New Inn - building works and traffic congestion – no easy solution. Parking for village facilities (usually done in the pub carpark) were spilling over onto surrounding roads and people were parking wherever they felt there was space. Numbers parking on the verge on Church Road were going down but the positive of this was that traffic was being forced to slow down to get past them. Cllr Cole said that the constructions crew were now mostly parking on the back of the site and that it was pub users that were now on the verge. Double Yellow lines (Antron Hill) – these were being ignored I the main. The clerk had tried contacting parking enforcement but they were unresponsive and said to contact the police directly if there was an obstruction. Cllr Tisdale said this could be because the lines were wrongly painted & existing signage was unenforceable. PCSO Huddleston agreed to keep a weather-eye on the situation if he was passing and would address any blatant issues as best he could. Morris Blewett (public) commented that speeds were not being slowed by the pinch point on Antron Hill; the lozenge in the village only caused confusion and we would probably be better off with no roadmarkings at all! Speedwatch – number of volunteers still made this unviable and would likely be unsustainable in the long run, which is what it needed. Clerk to forward traffic radar report. Car Theft – a car was taken from outside the shop in the snow last Friday, but they keys were left in and the car switched on at the time. It has not yet been found. PCSO Huddleston said that this was likely to be his last meeting before his retirement, as one visit per year was the new communications mandate. Everyone present thanked him for his help to the parish both now and in the past.

186.18 Transport issues arising – The clerk reported that she had tried to get the salt bin at Cunningham Park refilled after a member of the public reported it empty following the first spell of ice this year and was concerned that the elderly residents at No. 1 & 2 would have difficulties getting out if there was the predicted snowfall. She did try to get the school bins refilled at the same time, but this was now a paid for service. There should be one “free refill” each year – but Cormac could not say what they year ran (calendar or financial). Bill for approx. £120 was due.

187.18 To discuss options for the weed spraying & footpath cutting contracts for 2018 – there were discussions on the footpaths were due to be cut but the clerks revised tender was agreed. It was felt that both these documents should go out to as wide a number of contractors as possible, including those who had previously submitted quotes. The clerk was to get these out asap and would post a notice on the noticeboard & website.

188.18 To confirm details for the upgrading street-lighting in the parish before a formal request for Cornwall Council to adopt – after discussion it was still unclear if County were agreeing to adopt all the lights (the 2 on Antron Lane being most likely to fail). It was agreed to go forward with the upgrading works and then pass the request for adoption onto County – if we were left with responsibility for 2 lights so be it.

Proposed: Cllr Cole **Seconded:** Cllr Tisdale 1 abstention

Cllr Wilkinson asked why lights had been put up on an unadopted road which only serviced a limited number of households and what could be done about decommissioning them if they were unadoptable. The placement of these lights and reasoning were historic, but it was felt that discussion on decommissioning should be left until we found out if County would take all the lights.

189.18 Financial matters (papers received at meeting)

a. **Payments received** £96.16 (£31.50 from MYCP AED tin, £30 Greens refund & £34.66 NS&I interest)
& **Cash Book Total** (as of 28.2.18) £ 25,558.10

b. **Payments to be made – totalling £688.00**

Date	Cheque	Payee	Details of payment	Payment	VAT
8.3.18	101381	Lisa Clements	Salary & expenses	£376.95	£0.07
8.3.18	101382	HMRC	PAYE Q4	£179.40	
15.2.18	101383	Mabe WI	Venue hire - Oct- Jan	£75.00	
15.2.18	101384	Mawnan Parish Council	misc items	£27.05	
1.3.18	DD	EE	Mobile Phone	£9.60	£1.60
				£668.00	£1.67

190.18 Planning

Planning Applications				
A	PA18/01483	Mabe Community Primary School Cunningham Park	Construction of a modular building extension to provide 2no Classrooms, 4no Toilets and a Cloakroom linked to the existing school building with a canopy.	Members discussed the application and voted to SUPPORT include comments: understand the need for more space within the school and the desperate need for extra classrooms, but feel that this is a long term build and would benefit from a "better standard & more traditional" build style. Given the location of the buildings at the visible frontage of the school we feel that something more in keeping with the style of the current building would be more suitable and would ask that serious consideration be given to a more aesthetically comparable design. Proposed: Cllr Wilkinson Seconded: Cllr K Phillips
B	PA18/01648	Mellanear Antron Hill Mabe TR10 9HG	Works to trees subject to a tree preservation order. Remove limbs from four Beech (T1, T3, T14, T15), fell Beech (T2), reduce height of Sycamores (T4, T5, T6, T7, T8), remove limb from Turkey Oak (T9), remove limb from Sycamore (T10), remove seven metres from top of Beech (T11), reduce height of Beech (T12), and remove limbs from Ash (T13).	Members discussed the application and voted to SUPPORT this application in principle but defer to the expertise of the Tree Officer. Proposed: Cllr Tisdale Seconded: Cllr Cole
C	PA18/01477	Swallow Barn Antron Lane Mabe Penryn	Small extension to garden room/store to allow a toilet and subsequent cesspit and soakaway	Members discussed the application and voted to SUPPORT this application but would like some form of condition to ensure that the garden room is not used as residential accommodations (other than the occasional overnight) and is tied as ancillary space to the main dwelling put in place. We would not be happy if a "change by increment" to make the garden room into a separate dwelling were to be taking place. Proposed: Cllr Cole Seconded: Cllr R Phillips
D	PA18/01595	AIR Building Penryn Campus TR10 9FE	Non material amendment in relation to decision notice PA17/00533: Extension to existing university building and associated external works	Members discussed the application and voted to that comment could not be made due to lack of information

Planning Decisions				
E	PA17/03374/PREAPP	Daphne Du Maurier Building Penryn Campus TR10 9FE	Pre-application advice for a two-storey extension to provide additional social space as additional accommodation to the Upper and Lower Stannary	Closed - advice given
F	PA17/03421/PREAPP	Daphne Du Maurier Building Penryn Campus TR10 9FE	Pre-application advice for a two-storey extension to provide additional academic teaching/seminar space as supplementary accommodation to the Library at the Daphne du Maurier building	Closed - advice given
G	PA17/11898	Windmill Barn Higher Treliiever Farm TR10 9DH	Extension including patio terrace. Minor alterations to dwelling/site. Renewal of boundary fence. Replace outbuilding with garage/workshop.	ensuite - obscured glass; garage/ workshop only used by dwelling; no surface run off into sewer

Enforcement complaints				

191.18 Planning matters arising since 8th February 2018 - none noted

192.18 Correspondence received

	<i>Date</i>	<i>Who</i>	<i>Description of issue</i>	<i>Action taken</i>
.1	13.2.18	Stephane Rouget	Info on St pirans statue	To RP (5)
.2	14.2.18	Jo McCabe (CC)	Site allocations examination info	To RP (18)
.3	17.2.18	Wendy Edmond, Jacobstow PC	Great British Spring Clear	For info
.4	19.2.18	Karen Johns- AONB	Invite to Annual Conference 14/4/18	For info
.5	19.2.18	Amanda Kneebone (CC)	Royal Wedding Celebrations	For info
.6	20.2.18	Colas Quarry	Dates for meeting	Passed on (5)
.7	22.2.18	EDG – customer relations	Changes to emails information	Clerk dealt
.8	23.2.18	Jacque Rapiet (CC)	Minutes from strategic planning 15.2.18	For info (16)

Please note items classed as 'for info' have already been emailed on to all councillors and will not be included in the emailed agenda pack

193.18 To discuss the parish comment for the Cornwall Site Allocations Development Plan Examination meeting on 13th March@ Falmouth Hotel – Cllr R Phillips would be attending on behalf of the parish and would base his comments on those already submitted by the clerk.

194.18 Report from Cllr Phillips on matter of note from the CNA meeting on 6th March – request for a named voting member from each parish for highways bids. £50,000 of funding would not go very far but it was hoped that this would be for works and design/ engineering would come from another budget.

195.18 Matters of concern

Cllr Tisdale – litter in hedges/ road b the recycling centre again

Cllr Tindle – would there be any opportunity for shadowing other councillors (such as planning meetings etc) to help new councillors gain process experience. Cllr Tisdale said that anyone was welcome to come along to planning subcommittee meetings but only one person could be the official parish representative and speak. As for other meetings (such as with Viv Bidgood of Cormac) it could be arranged.

Cllr K Phillips – did anyone **know** what was actually happening with the pub tenancy? There seemed to be various rumours. She had heard that an announcement was due next week, but felt that if nothing was received the parish should write to the brewery to find out their plans.

196.18 Items to be added to next agenda – none noted

197.18 Date and time of next meeting: 12th April 2018 7.30pm

198.18 Exclusion of the Public and Press Under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted under agenda item 19, the public and press be excluded.

199.18 To address issues raised in correspondence on the play project.

200.18 To note the decision of a Code of Conduct complaint made against a member of Mabe Parish Council

Minutes of these last 2 items are confidential and will not be included in the public record.

The meeting finished at 9.50pm