



PUBLIC MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Wednesday 26th April 2023

Present: Councillor Edwards (Chairman)

Councillors Ellis, Fletcher, Robinson, Solomon, White, & Willey (Vice Chairman).

Also in attendance:

Christopher Cook - Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer and Councillor Martin Worth, Cornwall Council.

Members of the public: **6**

Members of the public were permitted to speak on each Agenda item for a period of 3 minutes. This meeting was advertised as a public meeting and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media and members of the public. The public were advised that whilst every effort is taken to ensure that members of the public would not be filmed, it could not be guaranteed.

Minutes 26th April 2023

1153/2023 Chair's Welcome & Announcements

Cllr Edwards (Chairman) welcomed residents to the Public Meeting of the Parish Council and delivered Health and Safety housekeeping rules.

Social distancing and Covid-19 measures were observed, such as ventilation. No one intended recording the meeting.

1154 Public participation

The Parish Council's new grass cutting contractor Mr Ally Hill was welcomed to the meeting. A new Whatsapp communication group with Councillors would be set up to keep in contact with the new Contractor.

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

1155 To receive Apologies for Absence and approve the reasons given

Cllr Oakes (personal commitments).

1156 Declarations of Interest

Councillors **Resolved** that no Councillors declared pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests.



Councillors **Resolved** that no Councillors were liable for written Dispensations or Gifts.

1157 Minutes of the Public Meeting held on the 22nd March 2023

Minutes 22nd March 2023 - Proposed Cllr Fletcher, seconded Cllr Willey (Vice Chairman).
All agreed.

Councillors **Resolved** to approve the draft Minutes.

1158 Matters arising from the draft Minutes for report purposes only.

No matters brought forward.

1159 A Report from Cornwall Councillor Martin Worth

Cllr Martin Worth updates -

Refuse changes

It will be on the same day as usual (Tuesday) in Botus Fleming. Refuse must be outside before 07:00 hours please.

Changes to rubbish and recycling collection times are as Cornwall prepares for new food waste service - Cornwall Council.

To help residents recycle more and reduce their rubbish, Cornwall Council will be making changes to residents' household waste collection services. Cornwall Council will introduce these changes area by area in stages across Cornwall starting in 2023.

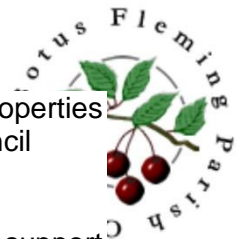
- Cornwall Council will provide a new separate weekly food waste collection service.
- Rubbish and recycling collections will be fortnightly.
- Cornwall Council will give most households a wheelie bin to protect their rubbish.
- If residents don't have anywhere to store or put a wheelie bin out for collection, Cornwall Council will give you a reusable protective sack instead.
- To help you recycle your food waste Cornwall Council will give residents a lockable food waste bin to store it in.
- If residents live in a flat, apartment or property with shared bins, Cornwall Council will be looking at residents current collection arrangements and making any changes with their particular circumstances in mind.

From <<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/rubbish-recycling-and-waste/future-changes-to-rubbish-and-recycling-collections/>>

Housing Crisis

Cornwall Council have over 700+ people in Temporary Accommodation in Cornwall, costing us all £10m per year. We have a Homechoice list of those waiting for Affordable homes or over 22,000 families. We have 40,000 private Rented Properties in Cornwall which need to be upgraded to EPC "C" Energy level by 2028. To encourage landlords to stay in the market,

grants of up to £60k are now available. Also grants to Landlords with Tenants in properties who are 6 Months in arrears. Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards - Cornwall Council



Energy Bill Support

If you don't have a domestic electricity supply and didn't receive energy bills support automatically, you can apply now!

Search 'Apply for energy bills support alternative funding' on Gov.uk

Find out how to apply

Community Bus Reminder

Rising Sun. Hail and Ride in the lanes up to Hatt Roundabout

Tuesday 452 - Leave 09:27 Return 14:25

Thursday 454 - Leave 09:25 Return 14:25

Concessions Apply

Botus Fleming Water Pipe A388 Congestion

South West Water undertook the essential roadwork in March/April 2023 and Cornwall Council Street Works approved the Road space. Cornwall Council Street Works under the Highways Act, cannot stop essential works being undertaken by utility companies. South West Water has applied to, install a new water main using directional drilling (this reduces the excavation time and speeds the process).

Cornwall Council Street Works have applied additional stipulations to the contractors using the Road space; this was to decrease the congestion and potential issues. This includes having the traffic lights manned between the hours of 07:00-09:30 & 16:00-18:30 and keeping the site length to a minimum of 300 metres.

The CORMAC Highways Manager responded: *“Unfortunately, traffic who decide to not wait at the traffic lights and find alternative routes, by either local knowledge or SatNav, is almost impossible to manage. The only way to mitigate this, would be to apply road closures to the surrounding areas. This would then cause additional issues for residents who live in the area and people who would need to access Botus Fleming. I understand the works are an inconvenience but as with all road works, the disruption will be short lived. I would recommend any additional issues with the works, are raised with South West Water direct”.*

Councillors **Resolved** to note this report.

1160 Finance

A Accounts for Payment April 2023

Cllr Ellis proposed, and Cllr Edwards (Chairman) seconded the approval of the Accounts for payment. All agreed.

Councillors **Resolved** to approve the accounts for payment.

B Direct bank Payments & Receipts for information

Bank Receipts were reported as **£15,777.78** Total receipts Account1 2022/2023 **£15,777.78**

Bank Receipts were reported as **£24.00** Total receipts Account2 2022/2023 **£24.00**

Councillors **Resolved** to note.



C Bank reconciliation and Earmarked Funds (EMF)

The General Account balance was reported as **£27,854.26** and the Earmarked Funds as **£11,288.73**

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

D Monthly budget monitoring balances report

Councillors **Resolved** to note the report.

E Public Works Loan Board Statement April 2023

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

F Year End Accounts for Internal Audit

- (i) Supporting Statement to Receipts & Payments Account & Section 137**
- (ii) Receipts & Payments Summary 2022/2023**
- (iii) Summary Receipts & Payments Account 2022/2023**
- (iv) Statement of Income & Expenditure 2022/2023**
- (v) Over £100 payments listing 2022/2023**

The Internal Auditor for the Parish Council had completed their annual report for 2022 / 2023. The report had been circulated to Councillors along with items (i) to (v) above.

1160 (i) Cllr Fletcher proposed, Cllr Edwards (Chairman) seconded approval. Councillors **Resolved** to approve the financial returns.

The Supporting Statement to Receipts & Payments Account was signed by the Responsible Financial Officer and Parish Chairman.

1160 (ii) Cllr Edwards (Chairman) proposed, Cllr Solomon seconded approval. Councillors **Resolved** to approve the financial returns.

The Receipts & Payments Summary 2022 / 2023 was signed by the Responsible Financial Officer and Parish Chairman.

1160 (iii) to (v) Councillors **Resolved** to note these financial returns.

All documents 1160 (i) to (v) can viewed under 'Reports' at www.botusfleming.org.uk

1161 Planning <http://planning.cornwall.gov.uk/online-applications>

New Planning Applications – One received

**5 Day Planning Protocol request from Cornwall Council Planning
Received 29th March 2023. Parish Council response 4th April 2023**

Application PA22 / 10400

**Proposal Change of use (retrospective) of agricultural land/yard
to use class B8**

Location Land Pt OS 0001 Hatt Cornwall

Applicant Mr G Deacon Kivells Ltd
Grid Ref 239941 / 61993



Following the Parish Council's objection to the scheme dated 12th January 2023, Councillors were requested to consider and vote on the following options-

1. Agree with the Principal Development Officer's recommendation.
2. Agree to disagree
3. Having made strong planning reasons to maintain the original position on the proposal against the recommendation, it is requested that the application be determined by the Planning Committee

Parish Councillors voted-

Option 1 – 0 votes

Option 2 – 0 votes

Option 3 – 8 votes (refer to Planning Committee)

Planning Application Decisions – One received

Application PA22 / 11197

Proposal: Conversion of garage and store to extra living accommodation for the bungalow installing pitched roof this area and demolishing adjacent timber agricultural sheds and construction of one detached fodder and implement store.

Location Philchris, Vollards Lane, Hatt, Saltash

Applicant Mrs Maisie Brown

Grid Ref 238764 / 61962

Approved with conditions 30th March 2023

Planning Application for Information – None received

Planning Applications received after Agenda published – None received

Councillors **Resolved** to note all Planning matters.

1162 Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) & Parish Plan

www.botusflemingandhattndp.com

Cllr Solomon advised that a new (NDP) working group consisting of Councillors and residents was now taking shape. A Whatsapp communication group would be set up and a meeting date arranged. The current (NDP) Plan required a full review.

Cllr Edwards (Chairman) thanked Cllr Solomon for leading the (NDP) project.

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

1163 Recreation Field & Big Event

It was reported that several Big Event meetings had taken place and arrangements for the 15th July 2023 were now well under way. Mrs Sarah Edwards stated that more volunteers were required.



Councillors **Resolved** to note.

1164 Councillors Reports

The full Council reports for Items 1164 (A) can be viewed under 'Reports' at www.botusfleming.org.uk

A Cllr Sally White - Maintenance

Cllr. White reported that a 'No fires on the quay' sign had now been erected at Moditonham quay and thanked Cllr Willey (Vice Chairman) for dealing with this matter

Other Assets on the monthly checklist are reported in order.

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

B Cllr Malcolm Fletcher – Climate and Ecological Emergency

Cllr. Fletcher reported as follows -

1. CORMAC and Verge Cutting

A lengthy enquiry was sent to CORMAC asking for more detail as to how they will cut the Hatt roundabout. Their reply was simply that it would be cut once in Spring/early Summer and again in Autumn. They could not give any more definite dates than that. We can only hope that the cuts are done at such time as to maximise flowering and seed-setting opportunities for the plants there. However, residents can be assured that all is done according to Cornwall Council standard procedures and is out of the hands of the Parish Council.

2. Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill

Cornwall Council voted last week to support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill that is currently being considered by Parliament. This Bill seeks to reinforce the current measures being considered by the government in as much as it would oblige it not only to halt the ecological decline but also to take measures to add to our biodiversity.

3. A resident has volunteered lead a small group of volunteers to sow some "Bee Bomb" wildflower seeds on a patch in the playing field. Councillors will be consulted as to the location of this.

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

C Cllr Mervyn Ellis – BOTHER

Cllr. Ellis reported as follows -

BOTHER has been waiting to attend a meeting with James Hatton (CC Transport) concerning its feedback on the route for the middle section of a walk/cycleway proposed by CORMAC in a recently commissioned report.

The suggested April meeting didn't take place, and James has now deferred until May, when CORMAC will have submitted its finished plan for the design of an upgraded intersection at



Roods corner. Meanwhile, CC has asked CORMAC to incorporate flexible provision for the walk/cycle path in its design.

The Big Event committee has agreed to allow BOTHER to have a stand this year

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

D Cllr Malcolm Fletcher – Defibrillator

Cllr Fletcher confirmed that the monthly check on the new defibrillator situated at Hatt garage had been carried out. The defibrillator was charged and thanked Cllr Robinson for carrying out regular inspections of the unit.

Following consultation with the Chairman of the St. Mary church P.C.C. it is the Church's intentions to re-wire the hall. An isolation switch could be installed as the electric feed for a defibrillator to be located at the hall along with movement detector lighting. The estimate of these costs and the Parish Council's contribution is not yet know.

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

1165 Clerk's items

No report.

1166 Correspondence

1166 (i) Lorna Gurney

The following information provided by the Streetworks Co-ordinator for Cornwall Council was supplied to Lorna Gurney:

"I can confirm that all traffic management has been properly coordinated in accordance with the traffic management code of practice, but I am unable to provide any further information as inspection duties are now provided on behalf of the Streetworks service by Cornwall Highways. This matter has been passed to a Cormac inspector to review site and provide a response directly regarding these ongoing works. I anticipate the inspector should be able to provide a report following their review of the site and their engagement with the responsible contractors".

Councillors **Resolved** to note.

1167 Policy Review (Sub-Committee Meeting 8th February 2023)

No report. Policy review was deferred.

1168 Date of next meeting

The next Meeting of the Council will be the **Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (AMPC)** on Wednesday 24th May 2023 at 7:30pm at the St. Mary's Church Hall, (COVID safe) Botus Fleming.



The Parish Council would continue to follow any instructions from CALC concerning the COVID -19 situation in connection with forthcoming Public Meetings. The choice to meet face to face was now an option with safety guidelines applying.

Please refer to www.botusfleming.org.uk for further details.

1169 End of meeting 20:35

**Signed
(Chairman)**

Date