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# MINUTES – Tuesday, April 8, 2025

### 25/77 Councillors present

Cllrs H Ferguson (chair); K Cann (vice chair); A Pengelly; C Bailey; A Pooley; J Chapman and A Stacey. Also in attendance: S Cleave, clerk, and three members of the public.

#### 25/78 Apologies for absence

Cllrs P Martin and P Cook; Cllr D Fairman.

#### 25/79 Declaration of Interests

None.

#### 25/80 To receive and approve minutes of the last meeting

Councillors approved the minutes from the Ordinary meeting held on March 11, 2025.

Proposed: A Stacey Seconded: K Cann Votes: Six in favour,

one abstention

## 25/81 Public participation (15 minutes allowed for this)

None.

#### 25/82 County Councillor report - Cllr Dominic Fairman

No report.

#### 25/83 Clerk's report

The clerk's report was noted. A request had been made to erect a small gazebo for a birthday in the playing fields. Councillors found no problem with this.

# 25/84 Consideration of planning applications

PA25/01710 – Consolidation of three small window openings on the east elevation at ground floor into a larger single opening, and restoration works to the existing roof. Caradoc, Tregardock, Treligga.

Councillors proposed no objection.

Proposed: A Pengelly Seconded: C Bailey Votes: Unanimous

PA25/01711 – Listed Building Consent for the consolidation of three small window openings on the east elevation at ground floor into a larger single opening, and restoration works to the existing roof. Caradoc, Tregardock, Treligga.

Councillors proposed no objection.

Proposed: A Pengelly Seconded: C Bailey Votes: Unanimous

# b. To consider any other consultations received since publication of the agenda.

None.

#### c. To note planning application decisions

The following decision was noted:

PA25/00148/PRE – Pre-application advice for change of use of the former church hall (Class F1) to a residential dwelling (Class C3), creating a two-bedroom family home.

CLOSED – ADVICE GIVEN

# 25/85 Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted: Camel Valley Community Area Partnership agenda; Cornwall Council Affordable Housing newsletter.

#### 25/86 Seaweed Farm

It was noted that the Port Quin application had been cancelled.

#### 25/87 Bins

It was resolved to move the dog waste bin at the bottom of Vell Lane to Treligga Downs Road verge (following permission from Cornwall Highways). The clerk will purchase a bigger bin and this will be put in place at the Vell Lane location. The clerk will instruct Cornwall Council to take over the contract from Biffa.

Proposed: A Stacey Seconded: H Ferguson Votes: Unanimous

#### 25/88 Election

An election will be held in the village for the nine seats on the parish council.

#### 25/89 Memorial garden request

The Christmas Lights committee asked for permission to use a tree in the Memorial Garden over the Christmas period as a memory tree for people to place ribbons on. There will also be fairy lights in place. Councillors agreed to the request.

Proposed: J Chapman Seconded: A Pooley Votes: Six in favour, one against

#### 25/90 Pedestrian crossing

Cornwall Highways said they would pass on to the electrical team to check the crossing for faults. It was noted that the electrical team had been there. Cllr Stacey said the parish council wanted a pelican crossing with lights on, as vehicles are not stopping for people crossing. The costings previously given of £25,000 for a crossing were questioned, particularly as there is power there and poles. It was felt a new crossing would work as extra traffic calming. The clerk will go back to Oliver Jones at Highways with the request.

# 25/91 Speedwatch

The clerk will advertise the need for volunteers in the Slate. Possible locations for the Speedwatch have been submitted. When these are checked, the group will be contacted regarding training.

### 25/92 Camel Valley Community Area Partnership

A report was received from Cllr Cook who attended the meeting on behalf of the parish council.

#### 25/93 Pump track

The parish council's application for Levelling Up funds was not successful. A letter was received from the skatepark committee to ask if the parish council would help with the shortfall. It was decided that, although the parish council is supportive of the plans, there is urgent equipment to pay for in the playing field and as such they unfortunately cannot pledge any additional funds.

Proposed: K Cann Seconded: C Bailey Votes: Unanimous

# 25/94 Treligga Road footpath

The council received correspondence from Cornwall Council regarding work on the footpath, which they hope will help improve the surface of the entrance to the footpath. Cllr Pooley explained that there is a natural spring there, with no daylight, and people have been slipping while walking there. He said it needs a channel one side of the footpath to allow the spring water to go. The council was happy with Cornwall Council's plans and the clerk would reply.

#### 25/95 Play equipment

The playing field inspection is imminent. A letter was received from a resident suggesting the lower left corner for the location of the basketball hoop.

Following a recent inspection by the clerk and Cllr Chapman, several pieces may need to be replaced. Cllr Pooley noted that £10,000 had been budgeted for equipment. It was proposed that the clerk approach the windfarm fund to see if they would be willing to match find this amount for equipment in the park.

Proposed: K Cann Seconded: A Pooley Votes: Unanimous

# 25/96 Sewage

Cllr Pooley said the 2023 levels showed Delabole was spilling 3,352.18 hours into the River Inney. In 2024, the figure was 3,264.42 hours. Slightly less that the previous year. The last spill recorded was March 12, notching up 3 hours 15 minutes that day. He said there has been talk of all the things South West Water are going to do, including trying to separate the rainwater from the sewerage. He said these figures show why there is a circle around the village for no new developments around the parish. He said there was a piece on the news about Liskeard but nothing about Delabole.

#### 25/97 Toilets

The clerk has endeavoured to get a copy of the lease from Cornwall Council. This will be placed on the May agenda.

#### 25/98 Treligga Downs Road flower barrel

Cllr Pooley said there is a flower barrel by Tricia's memorial bench, which is falling apart. It is kindly looked after, and has a plaque on it saying sponsored by Western Supply. Cllr Pooley will speak to Western Supply to see if they are still able to sponsor a flower barrel there. Cllr Ferguson said she has seen some lovely tiered planters in Bude, which would look good there and around the village. The clerk will investigate prices and it will be placed on the May agenda.

# 25/99 Residents' car park

Cllr Cann raised the need for a general residents' car park in the village. The issue is that land is needed. She said at some point, the council may have to look into an EV charging point.

#### 25/100 VE Day anniversary

A service is being organised by the British Legion and a coffee morning will also be held on May 10. Claire Salzmann has asked if the parish council would like to support going to the memorial on Thursday, May 8. The parish council was in support of this. Residents are also able to hold their own street parties. It was noted that a beacon is a great idea, but it is a lot of work and always the same people volunteering to marshal it to the end.

#### 25/101 Speed sign warranty

Councillors received the updated costs. It would be £199 per radar per year. It was decided not to go ahead with the extended warranties.

Proposed: J Chapman Seconded: C Bailey Votes: Unanimous

#### 25/102 Finance

a. Councillors noted the balances of accounts as accurate for April 2, 2025.

Bank balance £77,398.53

b. Councillors noted the income received.

Name Budget line	Payment method	Value
Stephens & Harris – Jones	CHQ	£187.00

c. Councillors noted the below payments.

Budget line	Payment – April	Total
Staff wages	Staff wages	As per
		contracts
Pension	Cornwall Pension Fund (March)	As per
		contract
Office	Clerk mileage	£ 32.40
Grass cutting, weed	Growing Concern (April)	£ 960.00
spraying & footpaths		
Maintenance,	EDF Energy – clock electricity	£94.24
utilities & supplies		
Maintenance,	Suez – cemetery bin	£91.87
utilities & supplies		
Office	3 mobile phone	£5.89
Insurance	Clear Councils insurance renewal	£1,460.41
Maintenance,	Source for Business – water cemetery	£24.00
utilities & supplies		
Maintenance,	Source for Business – water toilets	£25.00
utilities & supplies		
Maintenance,	British Gas – electricity toilets ((March 2 to	£56.40
utilities & supplies	April 1)	
Maintenance,	Bleach for toilets	£10.08
utilities & supplies		
Maintenance,	Antibacterial spray for toilets	£11.88
utilities & supplies		
Maintenance,	Tintagel Skip Hire Ltd (to empty the	£23.40
utilities & supplies	recycling bin outside the playing fields)	
Subscriptions /	ICCM membership renewal	£105.00
memberships		
Subscriptions /	CALC and NALC subscription 2025/6	£739.20
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Office	Microsoft subscription	£84.99
Website	WesternWeb annual renewal of space	£182.40
	and renewal of email accounts	0 / 00
Bank	Unity Trust service charge	£6.00
Hall hire	St John's Church – April	£15.00
Office	New financial year stationery	£26.85
Subscription /	SLCC membership	£150.00
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Maintenance,	Western Supply – gloves	£10.68
utilities & supplies		

It was agreed to renew the council's ICO membership by direct debit (which saves £5 each year) The cost is £47.

Proposed: H Ferguson Seconded: A Pooley Votes: Unanimous

The payments and accounts were approved.

Proposed: A Stacey Seconded: A Pengelly Votes: Unanimous

25/103 Agenda items for next meeting – May 13, 2025.

Speed limits; play park inspection.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm