

# Gulworthy Parish Council

## Minutes of ordinary meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at Gulworthy Parish Hall No 144

*These minutes are provisional until they are agreed and signed by the chair at the next meeting of the parish council.*

Present – K. Royston (chair), G. Lister (vice chair), W. Hamilton, M. Kemp, S. Porter, W. Miller  
Cllrs P. Crozier (WDBC), Cllr Sellis (DCC)

Meeting opened 7.35pm

1. Chairman welcomed all those present
2. Apologies – Cllr Blackman (WDBC)
3. Members of the public – Open forum

Twelve members of the public attended the Parish Council meeting to speak regarding the planning application 0137/22/FUL. Many questions of concern were asked including bat foraging areas on site, noise pollution, access to and from the site, tree removal, and how its past use may impact the local environment and the public. Dan Cooke, Manager of the Tamar Valley AONB attended as an observer to understand the Parish's views on the topic of Planning Application 0137/22/FUL

4. Dispensations & declarations of Interest – There were no dispensations or declarations of interest
5. Minutes of the previous meeting was signed by the chair as a true and accurate record of that meeting. Minute No 143 proposed by Cllr Kemp seconded by Cllr Royston, all in favour.
6. Planning - 0137/22/FUL – Readvertisement provision of a gravity-fuelled Alpine toboggan, Ride & upgraded rope & nets course, open space and additional car parking spaces

At - Tree Surfers, Tavistock Woodlands, Gulworthy

Council decision 'Object' proposed by Cllr Miller, seconded by Cllr Porter, all in favour. For the full objection comments visit the WDBC website.

Planning – 1465 /22/FUL – Change of use of land from agricultural use to single dwellinghouse and associated amenity land.

At - Barn at Dove Cottage, Down House Farm, Mill Hill Lane, Tavistock, PL19 8NH

Council decision – 'Object' on the grounds that the proposed development was of a size and scale out of character with the existing Down House Farm Cottages; and with an increase in its height would overlook neighbouring Dove Cottage. Proposed by Cllr Porter, seconded by Cllr Royston, all in favour.

7. DCC Cllr Sellis Report

- Included: £2500 contribution to Gulworthy Village Hall from Cllr. Sellis fund for its improvement works
- Attended opening of Guildhall – its importance to World Heritage Site
- Crowndale Road closure needed to enable SW Water to undertake sewage works improvements. This has resulted in closure of Crowndale Waste Recycling Centre for all

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except green waste, as no access possible from the Recycling Centre for the HGVs transporting the recyclables. Closure is estimated to be six weeks.

- There is a regular meeting with the local police but has not been well attended by councillors. Gulworthy Parish Council is not aware of this meeting
- Cllr. Sellis has met with Tristan Mullicoster, the new principal at Tavistock College. The college is also seeking Japanese teachers as the staff members who have been teaching the subject are moving on.
- The importance of social prescribing was raised and the need for formal funding from the NHS

## 8. Finance

- 8.1. Invoices approved and provided authority to pay invoices for:
- Gulworthy Parish Hall - Hall hire for queens Jubilee £320.00
  - Mrs S. Eve – Queens jubilee expenses £285.26
  - Elliott Groundcare – Cemetery ground maintenance £140.00
  - Peter van Delft – Salary (May-June) £802.70
  - HMRC – Paye £ 6.96
  - Peter van Delft – Admin expenses £ 16.61

Proposed by Cllr Porter, seconded by Cllr Kemp, all in favour.

- 8.2. Transfer balance £58.42 from Queens Platinum Jubilee grant fund to Road safety a/c  
Proposed by Cllr Kemp, seconded by Cllr Miller, all in favour.

- 8.3. Transfer of £569.17 fund raising money from Q.P.J. from current a/c to road safety a/c  
Proposed by Cllr Royston, seconded by Cllr Porter, all in favour.

- 8.4. HMRC Vat refund 1.4.2021 – 31.3.22 £ 146.76

## 9. Previous clerk offer – Temporary provision of RFO and Cemetery work by contract.

The offer from the previous clerk was discussed and agreed Motion proposed by Cllr Lister, seconded Cllr Kemp all in favour

## 10. WDBC Cllr Crozier reported that the waste collection service is working much more effectively now. Where householders are missed at the end of a day's round, they are being collected at the start of the following day. West Devon and S. Hams has taken in 453 Ukrainians supported by a dedicated officer, Steve Damon. One of the Ukrainians is working with the council as an interpreter.

## 11. Cllr Reports –

Cllr Lister noted that Morwellham Quay is hosting the Gulworthy Summer Fete this year on Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup> as there is no parking available at Woodovis.

Cllr Miller noted that they have been hosting some volunteers from Mount Kelly who have been helping with the removal of Japanese Knotweed in the Tavy Valley.

Cllr. Royston noted that she had been approached by a resident concerned about the planning application from Zip World, had been to see them, and suggested that they attend this Parish Council Meeting.

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12. Newsletter publication. Cllr Royston encouraged as many Cllrs as possible to provide some short stories and/or pictures from Jubilee for newsletter.  
Aim is to complete newsletter in week of 18<sup>th</sup> July in time to promote the Gulworthy Summer Fete which is on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July.
13. Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed to carry this item over to the next meeting
14. Broadband. With no further updates available from Airband it was agreed to carry this item over to the next meeting
15. Climate Change and Biodiversity.  
Parishioners will be encouraged to get involved through the newsletter including possible farm open days. Working on this area with other parishes was discussed and it was agreed that a formal request needed to be made to respective parish councils. It was agreed to carry further discussion, including the Power Allotments project mentioned by Cllr. Royston over to the next meeting.

The next scheduled meeting will be on 1<sup>st</sup> August 7.30pm, at Gulworthy Parish Hall.

Items for inclusion – Defibrillator agreement, Road Safety Fund grant application(s), Climate & Biodiversity, Neighbourhood Plan, Broadband update.

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