

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th DECEMBER 2024 AT 6.30 PM, CRANTOCK MEMORIAL HALL

Present -:

Cllrs. P Hooper (PH) (Chair), D Hawkey (DH) (arrived 7pm), S Malkin (SM), B Clark (BC), A Gilbert (AG) & S Robinson (SR)
Mrs K Rees (Clerk), CCllr. Harvey and 3 Members of the Public

129/24	<p>Apologies: Cllrs K Mackinnon, A Harty & J Robinson</p>										
130/24	<p>Recordable/Non-Recordable Interests & Dispensations: None.</p>										
131/24	<p>Minutes: <i>RESOLVED: The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 13th November 2024, as circulated, were approved as a true record & signed.</i></p>										
132/24	<p>Police Report: The Clerk advised that there were two reported crimes in November (2 x harassment). The police have now started operation OpLimit, which is a drink and drug driving awareness campaign. This will run throughout December. The Neighbourhood Police Team Leader had investigated the number of crimes over the summer period and said that there isn't anything to be concerned about. Sometimes multiple crimes are registered from a small number of incidents and the figures look worse than they are.</p>										
133/24	<p>Public Participation: Mrs N Eyles spoke in support of application PA24/08388 for a change of use from spa facility to self-contained holiday accommodation at Crantock Bay Apartments. Unfortunately, the spa is no longer financially viable. Mr R Giles spoke in support of application PA24/04408, the conversion of an existing agricultural barn to form two residential dwellings at Trevowah Farm. He advised the Council that the applicant did not originally apply for Class Q planning as they didn't think the application qualified. The Planning Officer disagreed as the barn is outside the Crantock settlement boundary and is classed as a building in the open countryside. Therefore, the applicant had to apply for Class Q planning, which was granted, and then resubmit the original application. Nothing has changed in this application, aside from a small amendment to the description. Mr Giles felt that the Trevowah Farm application highlighted a wider issue with the Neighbourhood Plan. The settlement boundary is out of date and should be revised to reflect the village as it is now. Mr Giles has written to the PC on this matter. This was acknowledged and the Clerk will investigate and it will be an agenda item next month.</p>										
134/24	<p>Cornwall Council Report: Cllr. Harvey advised that the Cabinet vote on the future of the airport has been delayed until 18th January. Cornwall Councillors will still not get a say in the matter. The Old A30 from Boxheater to Carland Cross will be shut in February to allow a badger run to be built. The Clerk will post the information on the PC's social media, once the dates are confirmed.</p>										
135/24	<p>Planning Issues: Applications:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%;">PA24/08388</td> <td style="width: 20%;">Crantock Bay Apartments</td> <td style="width: 45%;">Change of use of spa facility to self-contained holiday accommodation</td> <td style="width: 20%;">SUPPORT (P/S:SR/BC)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PA24/04408</td> <td>Trevowah Farm</td> <td>Conversion of an existing agricultural barn to form two residential dwellings.</td> <td>Nothing has materially changed – SUPPORT (P/S: BC/SR)</td> </tr> </table> <p>Decisions: PA24/07951 (Trevowah Farm): Prior approval not required</p>			PA24/08388	Crantock Bay Apartments	Change of use of spa facility to self-contained holiday accommodation	SUPPORT (P/S:SR/BC)	PA24/04408	Trevowah Farm	Conversion of an existing agricultural barn to form two residential dwellings.	Nothing has materially changed – SUPPORT (P/S: BC/SR)
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136/24	<p>Matters for Discussion: (a) <u>Precept 25/26</u>: Following last month's meeting, the Clerk had circulated revised figures. The changes to National Insurance contributions will result in an increase of approx. £1300 to staff costs. Town & Parish Council Elections will be held in May 2025 which could cost circa £2000. A discussion ensued and whether it would be prudent to earmark an amount in case the second homes council</p>										

	<p>tax premium policy changed next year which could be used to offset any increase in the Precept. RESOLVED: Budget for 25/26 to be £78,219 with a Precept of £45,300. This is a 0.13% reduction on 24/25.</p> <p>(b) Land at Beach Road: The Clerk has received notification from Cornwall Council of their intention to dispose of the Council owned land just off Beach Road. An assessment has been carried out and there is no requirement for the Council to retain the asset. The Council is now seeking the Parish Council's view before making a final decision. It was discussed whether the Parish Council should express an interest in purchasing the land but it was agreed that there was little benefit to the Parish Council. RESOLVED: Clerk to request further information from Cornwall Council before making a decision in January.</p>
137/24	<p>Finance:</p> <p>(a) <u>Finance:</u> (see appendix 1, not in magazine)</p> <p>Council: Lloyds - £14358.70 / Santander - £50353.95 RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £2896.86 were approved for payment.</p> <p>Memorial Hall: Lloyds - £3895.57 / Santander - £6711.75 RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £15.60 were approved for payment.</p> <p>Christmas Lights: Lloyds – £4872.48 RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £1957.82 were approved for payment.</p>
138/24	<p>Urgent Matters for Discussion:</p> <p>(a) Thanks were expressed to the Christmas Lights Committee for the fabulous village display.</p> <p>(b) PH asked for permission to buy the Caretaker a small Christmas gift to thank him for his hard work this year. RESOLVED: Permission granted and an amount agreed.</p>
139/24	<p>Agenda Items January 2025:</p> <p>Parish Council Bank Accounts</p>
140/24	<p>Date of Next Meeting: The Chair thanked members for their attendance. She advised that the next Full Council Meeting will be on 08th January in Crantock Memorial Hall. The meeting closed at 19.20 hrs.</p>