

**Minutes of the FEOCK PARISH COUNCIL ACCESS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING held remotely
via Zoom at 6.30pm Thursday 8th April 2021**

WARDS	CARNON DOWNS	DEVORAN	FEOCK
	P Allen	B Thomas	C Blake
	R Brickell	A Allen	K Hambly-Staite
	K Gason	S Parker	

In attendance: Debra Roberts, Parish Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

CHAIRMAN: Councillor P Allen

1. INTRODUCTION

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies received.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLUTION: CLLR THOMAS PROPOSED THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11th MARCH 2021 2020 BE AGREED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN, SECONDED BY CLLR A ALLEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

6. CLERKS REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING PREVIOUS MEETING

The Clerk gave her report on actions from the previous meeting.

7. HIGHWAYS & FAST PROJECT

Fingerposts and milestones refurbishment

Cllr Hambly-Staite said that some of the fingerposts need some attention and it would be nice to refurbish some of these as they are a nice feature in the villages. We had been in touch with the Milestone Society who had previously provided a report on the condition of the fingerposts and the Parish Council had previously agreed in principle that we have these tidied up.

It was suggested to set up a working group of Cllrs Hambly-Staite, Blake, the Clerk and Phil Pearce and seek costs and details of work required, also find out who the proposed sponsors for the works were. The meeting would be held by Zoom.

Old Carnon Hill & Bissoe Road

The Clerk gave her update on progress with the highways works.

8. FOOTPATH IMPROVEMENTS & MAINTENANCE

The price of Kissing gates and wood has gone up substantially. The Clerk would seek prices from various suppliers to try to get best value. The Clerk would circulate the schedule to all Committee members. The Clerk confirmed that works to the steps at Pill Creek were included in the programme as was a new surface for the muddy section across the cows field at Loe Beach. The list was agreed and the Clerk would send this on to Penny Hodgson at Cormac to check all items met the funding criteria.

Updated Feock History

The Chairman has written an updated Summary history of Feock parish which was to replace the introduction to the QR narratives and this had been circulated to everyone and would be uploaded to the website soon. He suggested perhaps we would like to relaunch the Feock Trails footpaths walks with a Parish Walk day in September. It was agreed this would be a good idea, there was also a new route, the Ten Tumuli Trail walk that the Chairman had written. It was agreed that a re-print was needed of the Trails and we should also seek prices for printing the Ten Tumuli Trail when stocks of the Feock Trails leaflets were getting low.

Cllr Parker suggested we could tie in links to the Trails in with our brown land ownership signs and the new waymarker signs.

Cllr Hambly-Staite felt a separate team were needed to work on the history information and Feock Trails.

Footpath at Tresithick

The Chairman commented that there was a stretch of the pathway at Tresithick that is not a registered public right of way which is a gap in the public rights of way (PROW). There was a deadline for registering PROWs which we did not want to miss. Cllr Gason thought this was on the British Horse Societies list to register and would check and feed back. There was also the path at Penpol Pond which was also not a PROW.

Cllr Gason said that the surface of the path below Lower Tresithick Farm was now very poor and was down to rock.

Tank Hill PROW registration

The Clerk had submitted the paperwork to start the registration process for Tank Hill, Devoran.

9. LAND & PLAYING FIELDS UPDATE

Replacement trees for Devoran Park

The Clerk has emailed Colin Hawke but has not yet had a response, Cllr Gason would get in touch with him.

Signs for parks

It was agreed for the Clerk to order 4 gate signs for each of our parks for a total cost of £60.

Pengelly Meadows Recreation Area

The Clerk provided details of the quotations received for the groundworks which had been requested for following the withdrawal of the initial contractor who had been appointed.

RESOLUTION: THE CHAIRMAN RECOMMENDED THAT WE ACCEPT THE QUOTATION FROM L&R GRONDWORKS AND THAT THIS QUOTATION IS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE FULL COUNCIL BUT IT WAS NOTED THAT ADDITIONAL BUDGET WOULD BE NEEDED FOR PICNIC BENCHES, GYM EQUIPMENT AND TREES, SECONDED BY CLLR THOMAS AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Retallack Playing Field

The Chairman said he would like to agree the design of Retallack in principle and the Clerk had circulated the proposed plan to be recommended to Full Council for funding.

Repair basketball backboard

Cllr Hambly-Staite said we had prices previously to replace the tired equipment and he felt this could happen separately to the larger refurbishment if the larger refurbishment was going to take longer than expected to put in place.

Fencing around the football area was discussed as this may be needed.

Cllr Hambly-Staite said that we may be able to access funding for some of the equipment or perhaps Crowdfunding could be used.

The Clerk would circulate the legal advice received about the covenant.

RESOLUTION: CLLR HAMBLY-STAITTE PROPOSED THAT THE PLANNED REFURBISHMENT AS SET OUT IN THE PLAN CIRCULATED BY THE CLERK BE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE AND RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL, SECONDED BY CLLR BLAKE AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Clerk said she would need accurate measurements of the field to enable her to draw up a specification of works to start to get prices.

Point Quay

SWW will be getting in touch to arrange connection of the water shortly. We are waiting on a price for the installation of a handrail on the steps.

10. CARNON VALLEY PROJECT & ADDITIONAL TREE PLANTING

The report on the lease had been sent to Mark O'Brien and Jonny Alford at Cornwall Council to progress. We needed to appoint a solicitor to look over the lease and the Clerk would arrange this.

PROPOSE: THE CHAIRMAN PROPOSED TREE PLANTING & BULBS ALONG THE BUS LANE BETWEEN CARNON DOWNS AND PLAYING PLACE AND ON THE VERGE BETWEEN THE SCHOOL & MID DEVORAN FARM AT A COST OF £100 PER TREE, 15 TREES ALONG BUS LANE AND 6 TREES IN DEVORAN, £2000 FOR BUS LANE TREES & BULBS, £600 FOR DEVORAN SCHEME ON THE BASIS OF SECURING GROW NATURE FUNDING, SECONDED BY CLLR HAMBLY-STAITTE AND CARRIED.

The Clerk would check if Grow Nature would fund this.

11. TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

The Chairman said the Council were concerned about the number of trees that were being removed lately in TPO areas that were not covered by the order. He also had concerns about trees being at risk all along the Old Tram Road and that we should consider requesting those trees are protected.

Cllr Hambly-Staite said he felt we should consider a review of the tree cover of the Parish to support any TPO applications we make to Cornwall Council. Cllr Hambly-Staite felt this should be discussed by the Planning Committee. To request a TPO we had to demonstrate the trees were at risk or an expectation they were at risk.

The Assistant Clerk would work out figures as to how many tree applications have been submitted to remove trees to use as evidence of risk in our application to update the TPOs.

RESOLUTION: CLLR HAMBLY-STAITTE PROPOSED THAT THE RECOMMENDATION TO UPDATE TPOS BE TAKEN TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE, SECONDED BY THE CHAIRMAN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Cllr Blake felt that a TPO should be placed on all the trees on the creek side of the road, a lot of area is in the AONB, there were some that were on private land, some were already in an Area TPO but this needed updating to ensure all the trees were covered. Some of this stretch of land was not in either the TPO area or the AONB. The Chairman felt that we should ensure those trees that were in the AONB were covered by an updated TPO.

Cllr Blake would prepare a TPO application to cover the creek side of Tram Road in the AONB, up to the land known as the Stitch.

Cllr Hambly-Staite said he would like to extend a vote of thanks to Cllr Brickell for all his work since he has been on the Council as he was standing down at the election.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm.