MEETING NO.

Minutes of the FEOCK PARISH COUNCIL ACCESS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING held on Thursday 25th April 2019 at the Parish Council Office, Devoran at 7pm

WARDS CARNON DOWNS DEVORAN FEOCK

P Allen S Parker K Hambly-Staite

B Thomas C Johnson

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

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Allen

1. INTRODUCTION

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

There were apologies received from Cllr Brickell.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLUTION: CLLR THOMAS PROPOSED THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7TH APRIL 2019 BE AGREED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN, SECONDED BY CLLR JOHNSON 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

There were no updates that would not be covered under the agenda.

7. HIGHWAYS – FAST PROJECT

Bissoe Road pavement

Jason Hoole-Jackson from Cormac was working on a scheme that would hopefully provide for some on road parking which had been one of the issues raised during a previous consultation.

Potential locations for flashing speed signs to be funded from Community Network Budget

The Clerk had asked Councillors and members of our Speedwatch team for suggested locations for the portable flashing speed warning signs and they had provided the following suggested list of locations for approval by the Committee and for submission to the Community Network Panel for consideration for funding from their highways budget.

Feock

- 1. On way down to Trelissick/King Harry Ferry on the King Harry Ferry Road from Fourturnings
- 2. Just after Ferris Garage on way to Harcourt
- 3. On the straight from Harris Hill to Ferris Garage

- 4. 30mph zone between Bus stop triangle (near to park) and Porthgwidden
- 5. On the B3289 between Penelewey and the King Harry Ferry/Trelissick crossroads

Devoran

1. Greenbank Road

Carnon Downs

- 1. Gig Lane
- 2. Tregye Road
- 3. Point Road
- 4. Bissoe Road

RESOLUTION: CLLR JOHNSON PROPOSED THAT THE LIST AS SET OUT BE PUT FORWARD FOR CONSIDERATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE COMMUNITY NETWORK PANEL HIGHWAYS BUDGET, SECONDED BY CLLR THOMAS AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Feasibility study and Highways issues

It had been suggested that a feasibility study was needed to look at pedestrian safety/access on Old Carnon Hill and also the bottom road from Carnon Gate roundabout with regards to vehicle access and the width of the road. The Clerk advised that the cost of a feasibility study for these two areas was in the region of £6K. It was suggested that it be investigated if any funding could be sought from the Community Network Panel highway budget.

Cllr Hambly-Staite said he felt that a pathway was needed from Wrinkly Lane to Trelissick.

The Chairman said he felt we should write to Trelissick to advise them that we were drawing up our plans for road improvements in Feock and would like to ensure that our plans for improvements fit in with their plans. The Clerk would contact the National Trust at Trelissick.

RESOLUTION: CLLR ALLEN PROPOSED THAT A RECOMMENDATION BE MADE TO FULL COUNCIL IN MAY THAT £6K BE ALLOCATED FOR A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR CARNON DOWNS HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENTS, SECONDED BY CLLR JOHNSON AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Carnon Wollas Bridleway

The Chairman said that the flooding had now been alleviated but what appeared to be main cause of the flooding, run off from land and a well, still remained. The owner of Carnon Wollas has undertaken some drainage works on his own land to improve the drainage and had plans to put in a lane that goes up to his caravan park and back down again to the bottom of the road by the bridleway to improve access. It did not appear that any works had been done on the land to exacerbate the drainage and flooding problem.

School poster campaign

The Clerk showed the drafts of the posters from the school competition. It was agreed to put up a cop of the "We use this road too please slow down" poster near to all the parks and to have 4 copies of each poster made up. The logos needed re-ordering and the Clerk would check with the school with regards to whether or not the children's names could be included on the poster.

8. FOOTPATH IMPROVEMENTS & MAINTENANCE UPDATE

The Chairman advised that another four witness statements to formalise the footpath from Carclew Terrace to Tank Hill had been received and it was agreed that we could now submit these to start the process to formalise the path.

A meeting had been held with the Countryside Access Team with regards to the condition of some stiles and also signposting from roads to footpaths. We were able to install new signposts for footpaths from roads and the Countryside team were happy to supply the green signs. A report had been written with regards to the poor condition of stiles and it was disappointing that the response to a lot of the issues that had been raised was that Cornwall Council did not intend to do anything to encourage the landowners to improve the condition of the stile. The Chairman would be raising these issues at the Cornwall Countryside Access Forum. The issues raised on signage needed to be chased up with the Countryside Access team.

There was a gorse bush that had fallen onto the footpath in the gorse field, the Clerk would ask our contractor to remove it.

The Chairman said he would like to produce some 30 minute walks that would be negotiable by less-able people or those with pushchairs, this would require improvements to be made to make the paths more accessible.

9. CARNON DOWNS NEW RECREATION AREA UPDATE

The Clerk had written to all residents of Pengelly Meadows to explain the current position with the recreation area and with a layout plan. The Clerk had been chasing for a price for the groundworks, to level the football area, install the pathways, fencing and tarmac for the outdoor gym area. Although there was some S106 money left from the works to the existing park would require the Parish Council to put in some additional budget. It was likely that planning permission would be required for the works and the Chairman would work with the Clerk on submitting the planning application.

10. COMMON LAND AT CARNON MINE

The Clerk was speaking to the Commons Land team at Cornwall Council about the ownership of the land at Carnon Mine. Our contractor had been given the go ahead to carry out the tidying of the land at Carnon Mine.

11. PARISH SIGNAGE PROJECT

It was agreed for the signs to be made up in A2 size and for some amendments to the signs in relation to the descriptions of the locations of the defibrillators and also include a map showing how to get to the defibrillator location for each park.

12. SEED FUND APPLICATION

The area near to the school that it had been agreed to plant as part of the Seed funding project with the school it appeared that this land belonged to the school and not Cornwall Council as previously thought. Cornwall Council would be contacting the school to advise them of this.

The Clerk would apply for a license to plant the verge with apple and cherry trees (on the burger van side).

13. UPDATE ON CARNON VALLEY LAND

The Mineral Tramways Forum has now been resurrected and it was hoped that a representative of the Coal Board who were taking on the Carnon Valley would be able to attend the next meeting. The Chairman had met with Mark O'Brien from Cornwall Council who had advised that there appeared to be no issues with the Parish Council taking on the old waste area at the Carnon Valley to plant this as a wood and the Woodland Trust have been contacted with regards to this as they give advice and subsidised trees for planting new woodlands. There would be around 1500 tree whips to plant and we would be looking for planting teams, it was hoped we could include the local schools as well. The Chairman would contact Kea Parish Council as it was in their parish and we also needed to contact Mark O'Brien to request a management license for the area be arranged.

14. ADDITIONAL BENCH SET IN CARNON DOWNS

It was suggested that a bench seat be installed next to the phonebox in Carnon Downs on forth Coth, the cost including installation would be in the region of £400. The Clerk said she would need to check whose land this was before we went ahead.

RESOLUTION: CLLR THOMAS PROPOSED THAT £400 BE REQUESTED FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET FOR A BENCH TO BE INSTALLED, SECONDED BY CLLR JOHNSON AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. TREE SURVEY OF THE PARISH

Cllr Hambly-Staite felt that an overall survey should be carried out of the trees, landscape character of the area and the environment in the parish, this would highlight areas where TPOs should be placed or updated or where the environment could be improved. It was suggested that Google Earth could be used to provide a record of trees over the years. There was a discussion about the priority areas that should be looked at. It was agreed that the current TPO'd areas should be reviewed initially but that we would like to survey the whole of the parish to identify other important trees that were not currently protected. A desktop exercise could be done to compare via Google Earth but this would not show the landscape value as it was from the aerial view. The survey would be useful when considering planning applications. It was agreed that it would be useful to ask Alan Mason at Cornwall Council for advice on how we go about reviewing the current TPOs.

16. MOBILE PHONE APP

The Clerk demonstrated a mobile phone app that could be used as a mini version of our website as well containing information about wellbeing and having the functionality to send messages out to mobile phones (push notifications). The cost was £15.99 a month and the Clerk would be able to manage and update this app herself to suit the needs of the Parish Council.

RESOLUTION: CLLR THOMAS PROPOSED THAT IT BE RECOMMENDED TO THE PARISH COUNCIL THAT THE MOBILE APP BE ADOPTED AT A COST OF £15.99 A MONTH, SECONDED BY CLLR HAMBLY-STAITE AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

17. POINT QUAY WATER POINT

The Chairman said he is on Point Quay Association (PQA) and recently the PQA have put in an electric point and the he would also suggest that a water point be installed so that the slip way could be regularly pressure washed down, the same connection could also provide a water bottle filling point. South West Water had been contacted and were considering our request for them to sponsor the installation of a water supply on the point. It was agreed for this to be progressed by the Chairman and the Clerk.

18. SHADE FOR DEVORAN RECREATION AREA

It had been requested that the Parish Council give consideration to erecting some type of shade in the park as it is very open and in the summer there was little shade for users. A structure comprising of 3 wooden legs (which would be permanent) plus a temporary shade sail was suggested, however there were concerns about the size of this and it was commented that perhaps mature trees would be a more environmentally friendly and visually acceptable way of providing shade.

19. COMMUNITY CONNECT WELLBEING PROJECT

Devoran Village Hall needed a sound system for events and this would also be very useful for teh Meet and Eat when the children from school came to speak as presently it was difficult to hear them. It was suggested the part-funding could be provided, £200 from the Wellbeing budget and £200 from the Wellbeing surplus fund (Meet & Eat and Transport Scheme).

RESOLUTION: CLLR JOHNSON PROPOSED THAT THE FUNDING OF THE SOUND SYSTEM BE RECOMMENDED TO THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL, SECONDED BY CLLR HAMBLY-STAITE AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

20. ROUNDABOUT PLANTING & MAINTENANCE

The Chairman said we were looking at carrying out planting on the roundabouts during the A39 road closure in August/September.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.00pm.