## St Breward Parish Council 2017/18

## **Minutes for the Annual Parish Meeting**

# held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017 at 7pm in St Breward Methodist Church

Present:			
Denis Lusby	R Rotchell (Cornwall	Darren Wills	Douglas Evans
(Chairman)	Council)		
A Cornelius (Clerk)	Betty Hoskin	Ben Fairman	Kevin Foster
D Fairman (Cornwall	Raymond Hoskin	David Poxon	Sue Mitchell
Council)			
Jackie Greengrass	George Greengrass	David Brattle	Phil Nance
Denton Bourne	Sharon Bourne	Nigel Mitchell	Rita Riles
Veronica Stansfield	Trish Manley	Jennifer Teague	Judith Nance
Jacky Lewis	Sheila Nottle		

- 1) Apologies were received: Joe Kay, David Cornelius, Stephen Nankivell, Jane Hanscomb
- 2) The minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2016 were accepted to be a true and accurate record. Proposed by VS, seconded by DP all in favour.
- 3) There were no matters arising from 2016 minutes.
- 4) Chairman Lusby presented his summary report for 2016/17:

Welcome to our Annual Parish Meeting for 2017. Tonight, we welcome two Cornwall Councillors, Dominic Fairman, our Cornwall Councillor and Rob Rotchell, Cornwall Councillor for Camelford as well as being a Camelford Town Councillor.

Since his election last year and re-election this year Dominic has been assiduous on our behalf and your Parish Council has built up an excellent working relationship with him and we look forward to this continuing over the next 4 years and beyond.

Rob Rotchell is chairman of the Camelford Network, of which St Breward is one of its 17 parishes. He has worked tirelessly in promoting better health care in our network area. Tonight, he is going to tell us of the progress that has been made and what the future holds.

Celeste Powell our new Parish PCSO is unable to attend because of work commitments but has sent a report.

Last year I assured this meeting that despite many false dawns, the Chyryn Drive development was definitely, going to take place, and thankfully it did, just!

I have written to Ordnance Survey asking them to amend their map for this area to include Cornwall's latest Tor. I suggested calling it Joe's Folly, but the OS were not keen.

Two Councillors retired just prior to elections; Jane Hanscomb, who thinks she had been a councillor for almost 20 years and Babs Kendall. I thank them both for their hard work. The other 8 councillors were prepared to stand for re-election and as there were no further candidates all 8 were returned unopposed. Consequently, we have 2 vacancies for which we will soon be advertising. Not having an election saved your Parish £2,000.

I would like to thank all our councillors for their dedication throughout the year. A special thanks to Anita Cornelius, our Clerk, whose professionalism, integrity and friendliness have made St Breward Parish Council one of the best in Cornwall.

Your Council's year has been busy with big changes happening to St Breward.

Chyryn Drive is going to deliver 21 affordable homes, all for rent or shared equity. Your parish Council has fought hard for extra parking spaces and are pleased to say that there will be 42 spaces, two for each home. We tried to have the number of homes reduced by 2 to allow for even more parking but failed, despite appealing direct to the planning committee. We are still hopeful for some material benefits for St Breward, from the developers.

If you, or someone you know wants to stay or live in St Breward, I urge them to get on the housing register as soon as possible.

You will all be aware of the imminent closure of your village shop here in Row. Nine months ago I informed the Parish Council that Christine & I had no option but to close the shop and Post Office, as we had failed to attract a buyer. We were delighted when a parish councillor stepped into the breach. After a lot of effort and a considerable amount of money, Darren Wills has your new shop and Post Office ready for opening. It has been a difficult gestation period (9 months), but we are hoping for an easy birth. A big thank you to Darren and we urge you all to support the new venture. None of us like change, but the alternative would have been unthinkable – No shop. No Post Office.

We have agreed a 2-year lease with Dr Garrod, so the Surgery will stay in Row until 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

Your PC has taken on the maintenance of the 3 urban footpaths, the triangle at Lank and the visibility splay on B3266 at Tinten. This should end visibility problems at these junctions.

Footpath 13 is still causing us severe problems especially in wet weather. FP 13 runs, or sometimes flows, from the square at Churchtown down to the school and in the past, was the Parish's principal footpath. Councillors have spent many hours trying to restore it. Some years ago, we were successful in securing £40,000 to rebuild the Cornish hedges, install drainage and improve the path surface. Cornwall Council assured us that the money was 'ringfenced' but when we asked for it, a change of personnel at Cornwall Council meant that it had disappeared. Since then we have patched bits of the hedges, but run-off from the farm and fields, collapsing hedges and rampant brambles make it almost impassable. Normally all public footpaths cross someone's land and the landowner has a duty to keep public footpaths open. FP 13 was downgraded from a 'Green road' in the 1950's and no one claims ownership.

With the relocation of the shop and Post Office to Churchtown, FP13 will once again become an important path in our village, and your council is determined to bring it up to an acceptable standard. As our precept is £15,000 you can see that we cannot afford to spend £40,000 on this.

We will check with Land Registry re ownership, have it surveyed and then prepare an estimate for the cost of the works. We will then seek help with fundraising to carry out these works. If you want to help in any way please let us know. Maybe we need to organise a "barn raising" type of event, where the community comes together to offer their skills and labour to provide a much-needed resource for our village, in return for a street party or BBQ to celebrate the finish of the work.

St Breward is a great community. Let's work together to make it better.

Denis Lusby Chairman St Breward Parish Council 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017

5) Councillor Rob Rotchell attended the meeting to share an update with regard to the Camelford Community Health & Wellbeing Hub

This has been 12 ½ years in the making and prior to Rob's involvement – Dan Rogerson had been championing this beforehand.

The focus for this project is to focus upon the Churchfield Surgery in Camelford, not the satellite surgeries. This project has been an agreed priority for the Camelford Community Network group. The main identified issues were the outdated medical centre and no dentistry provision in Camelford for 5 years.

The 2 GPs Dr Nash & Garrod are in the later stages of their careers and there is a problem in recruiting GPs, many don't want a partnership – we will see a changing GP portfolio where newly recruited GPs will come to work, but have no obligation or ownership to the building. This may be an attractive proposition.

Formally Drs Nash & Garrod own the current centre – as their business/property. The aspiration is to build a fit for purpose facility where GPs and community teams can be co-located, thinking ahead for the next 10 - 15years.

Both GPs have been worked together with CC architects and involving dentistry too.

Other considerations – there is no disabled access facility to the Chemist in Camelford, so this may offer an opportunity to review this. Confidentiality and privacy have been prioritised as well as opportunities for Podiatry and Acupuncture.

Identified problem – cost! Probably need £3m – and who is to build this facility. 2 grants were obtained – totalling £9,000 which enabled another application to be submitted to NHS England in the later part of 2016. This was successful and £  $\frac{3}{4}$  m grant was awarded in November 2016. This should support the project in purchasing the current building and the land adjacent to it. The piece of land between the Drs surgery and Church is for sale and has been reserved for this project.

Rob explained that in his role as a Cornwall Councillor – he chairs the Overview & Scrutiny Committee , which reviews health services across Cornwall and holds people to account. The business case which has been approved is for CC to build the facility. The running of this building might have to come to Camelford Town Council, renting the property from Cornwall Council.

## Questions posed:

1. How will the GP service continue whilst there is a building project?

RR: the new building will be built first and then aligned with the current surgery.

2. Will any minor procedures be undertaken in this surgery?

RR: this would be determined by the skill set of the new GPs, but facilities within the network are offered out of Bodmin, Stratton & Launceston Hospitals.

DL thanked RR for attending the meeting and for giving such an informative update.

6) Councillor Dominic Fairman addressed the meeting:

'thank you for re-electing me as your Cornwall Councillor for this ward. I am very fortunate to be working with colleagues such as Rob and thank him for all his hard work, especially as the Chairman for the Camelford Community network meeting. I will now chair the network meeting moving forward. The first meeting will take place on 13<sup>th</sup> June – your Parish Council are always well represented but I want to extend the invitation to members of the public who are welcome to attend.

I have been working with St Teath PC regarding a 20mph zone in their village. There has been a housing development which raised £80,000 towards this scheme and I am starting to support Delabole in their traffic management problems. I intend to raise awareness of this in St Breward, starting outside the school entrance. The parameters will need to be scoped – and you can expect to hear more about this in the coming year.

## Questions posed:

1) I have heard that some funding for traffic calming comes from car parks. Is this true?

DF: I haven't heard this – I think it unlikely.

DL thanked DF for his support to the village and Parish Council, and looks forward to working together.

7) Ted Raynham took the floor as Chairman of the Community Bus. He explained that with the shop at Row closing the Community Bus was going to run service one day a week to the new shop at the Old Inn, Churchtown. Tuesday was the only day that the Bus could be made consistently available throughout the year so on that day the bus would do up to two runs, both starting at Row, the first at 9.30am and the second at 10.30am. The basic route would be Row, up Higher Penquite, down Penvorder, out to Penpont (if required) through Wenford (again if required) and then Limehead, Row and Ryland's to Churchtown. The trips will start on Tuesday 20th June. Under the Bus operating licence, Sec 19, all seats must be booked prior but we would try to be as flexible as possible in this regard, and also the route taken, to ensure no one lost out. Various information notices will appear around the Village and in the Parish Magazine explaining the route and booking arrangements etc. The bus would be free to the end user as for 2017/18 the Parish Council has subsidised the

There will however be donation boxes in the Pub and new Shop (thank you Darren). All drivers were now MIDAS trained and had been on Safeguarding courses.

trips and next year the County Council would take over under their current Community Bus

Questions posed:

Support scheme.

1) How do you book a seat?

TR: phone call to number which will be advertised

2) What time will the bus run?

TR: 9:30am and 10:30am.

DL thanked Ted and all the bus volunteers for their support and time towards the new shop/PO venture.

8) Darren Wills addressed the meeting with an update regarding the transfer of the shop/PO from Row to Churchtown.

He confirmed that he has been in negotiations with the PO since October/November 2016. The build is now complete. The costs have been £28-£30,000 so far.If you have any ideas of what you wish to see in your village shop – please let me know, I am keen to receive ideas/thoughts. Jan and Lorraine will be relocating from Row to Churchtown.I hope the village will support the new shop & PO.

Darren thanked Denis and Christine for 23 years service on behalf of the village, which was warmly supported by all those present.

9) Celeste Powell – new PCSO sent her apologies. A report was received from Sergeant Andy Stewart which DL read out to the meeting:



21/05/2017



To the St Breward Parish Council,

Firstly, please accept my sincere apologies for not being present at this year's Annual Parish meeting.

I do try to attend all of my Town and Parish annual meetings. Unfortunately PCSO Celeste Powell was due to attend this evenings meeting however due to unforeseen circumstances she will not be able to attend and also offers her sincere apologies.

For those of you I haven't met, my name is Andy Stewart, and I am the Police Sergeant responsible for delivering Community Policing in this, and many other towns and parishes over the Bodmin and Wadebridge area. The Bodmin patch covers 10 Parishes including Lanhydrock, Lanivet, Nanstallon, Withiel, Helland, St, Mabyn, St. Tudy, St. Breward, Blisland and Cardinham as well as Bodmin town centre with currently a team of myself, two neighbourhood beat managers, PC Andy Currie and PC Pete Fox and two PCSOs, Celeste Powell and Debbie Knowlden.

It has been another challenging year.

We continue to absorb changes within our organisation, and St Breward has seen crime figures similar to previous years, with no alarming spikes or trends. Crime figures for St Breward remain low and similar crimes have been reported including minor criminal damage and dogs worrying livestock.

We have been asked not to publish year-end figures for public consumption. There is no hidden agenda, but it is fair to say that the types of crimes we are dealing with nationally is changing. There are of course the types of crimes that we can unfortunately expect, but there is a focus now towards cyber-crime, fraud, and offences of

national significance e.g. terrorism (extremism), people trafficking and modern slavery. Crime figures are relevant, but there is a much wider picture, and producing year end statistics may be misleading.

St Breward is a beautiful and affluent location with many high value properties and farms with high value machinery. It is vulnerable in the summer both to thieves who prey on the casual nature of residents and visitors, and to those people who do not respect it. In winter, it is vulnerable due to the increase in unoccupied properties.

There is no reason to worry unnecessarily, but I'd like to encourage you to make it difficult for any unwelcomed visitors.

Lock your doors if you leave your property, and consider appropriate security.

Be aware or your surroundings, and monitor and report those who seemingly don't belong.

It is no secret that our Community Policing Teams are continuing to be adversely effected by austerity measures.

To fall in line with the Police and Crime Commissioners Plan, our numbers of Police Community Support Officers will be reduced from 359 to just 150.

This reduction will be complete within 4 years, although the likelihood is that you will see a marked difference after 12 months.

There was a time when your village bobby would help out with and deal with most things where possible, but the Police Neighbourhood Teams now have clearly defined roles and responsibilities.

We deal with situations where there is a threat or risk of harm coming to a person, and with the vulnerable. We will also become involved in situations where our Police legal powers are required.

Any issues beyond that, are generally referred to other agencies or organisations.

With my team, I then ensure 'supply' meets 'demand'.

Now whilst I acknowledge the previous few paragraphs of doom and gloom, I feel I wouldn't be doing my job if I didn't tell you some of the things that have potential to threaten our safety and security.

However, I would like to finish by reassuring you that St Breward remains one of the safest places in Cornwall to live and spend time.

I can also assure you that I lead a team who are enthusiastic and remain committed to keeping it that way.

Please don't hesitate to contact me on  $\underline{13692@dc.police.uk}$  if you have any concerns or would like to speak in more detail about anything.

Best wishes for the summer.

Kind Regards,

#### Sgt Andy Stewart

- 10) Feedback from Parishioners:
- 1)D Evans Re FP13 can the village have a working party? I'd be happy to volunteer.

DL: FP13 has an ownership anonamoly – once the Parish Council have addressed this – then a plan can be drawn up. Thank you for your offer – we will come back to you, this will be a focus for the PC this year.

2) N Mitchell – re priority at Wenford Bridge – can this be changed as this presents a hazard?

DL: The PC has previously tried to influence highways on this need to no avail. However, the PC can review this at their next meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm. Institute & War Memorial Hall.

DL thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 20:05hrs.