

**MINUTES of the Devoick Parish Council
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held virtually
on THURSDAY 20th AUGUST 2020 at 6.30pm**

PRESENT: Cllrs. Ms. M. E. Temlett (Chair), Mrs. B. Lloyd, Mr. J. Croft, Mrs. A. Thorpe, Mr. D. Parry, Mr. M. Gibbons, Mrs. A. Robinson and Mr. J. Candy
Karen Pugh (Parish Clerk)
Cornwall Cllr. R. Pugh

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

1.1. To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda

None received.

1.2. To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

None received.

1.3. To grant any requests for dispensations as appropriate

None requested.

2. 10-MINUTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD, for Public comment on the items below.

A resident spoke on behalf of her planning application PA20/05184. There had previously been permission for conversion of the garage to an annex (expired). The new application modifies the space for better usage, based on the existing ridge line and 98% of the existing footprint, and the applicant hoped the Parish Council would approve the application.

3. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllrs H Brockbank (work commitment).

A **proposal to accept** apologies was made by Cllr D Parry, **seconded** by Cllr A Thorpe and **agreed unanimously** by the meeting.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS: Received by the date of the meeting:

4.1. PA20/05184 Sandra Miles-Taylor Rockley Front Road Dowderry PL11 3LL

Domestic garage conversion to annex.

(Planning Officer: Josep Sandercock)

The Councillors viewed the drawings, noting the existing pitch roof to the garage, double storey and recessed balcony under the roof, as viewed from the garden side. Discussions included parking and whether there would be enough space after conversion and a concern over shadow (not light deprivation) and the bulky appearance of the dark colour proposed.

After careful consideration, Cllr D Parry **proposed to support** the application with the caveats of the conversion needing to be tied to the property and a reconsideration of the colour of materials used, i.e. to a lighter, less imposing colour. The proposal was **seconded** by Cllr J Candy and **agreed** by the meeting. There was one abstention.

4.2. PA20/05767 Mr J Pluck Far Horizon Brenton Road Dowderry PL11 3JA

The addition of a first-floor gym to an existing single storey, detached garage.

(Planning Officer: Josep Sandercock)

Councillors discussed the addition would be separate from the house and would not look any different from the road. There was concern about change of use, however, this would be another application. Cllr J Croft **proposed to support** the application; this was **seconded** by Cllr D Parry and **agreed** by the meeting. There were three abstentions.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA

5.1. PA20/06491 Mr And Mrs Fitz-Barton The Red House Brenton Road Donderry PL11 3JA

Construction of two storey extension to dwelling together with enlargement of existing roadside hardstanding and creation of double garage/storage.

(Planning Officer: George Shirley)

It was requested that the Clerk requests an extension to the deadline on this application as the public would need time to respond to the application.

6. PLANNING DECISIONS

24.07.2020 PA20/03666 APPROVED

Applicant: Mr Norris And Ms Wernham

Location: 1 Brenton Terrace, Lower Flat Brenton Road Donderry PL11 3JB

Proposal: Remove existing side extension and rebuild with balcony over, reinstate veranda to the front elevation

06.08.2020 PA20/05349 S52/S106 and discharge of condition apps

Applicant: Ian And Claire Brewis

Location: Cobland Mill Cobland Hill Eglaroose Torpoint Cornwall

Proposal: Discharge of planning obligation dated 15.01.2003 relating to decision number 01/00620/FU - Construction of two storey Winery and Machinery Store Building

7. PLANNING APPEALS

None were received.

8. PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

8.1. 5-DAY PROTOCOL: PA20/04907 - WWII Communications and Billet Bunker

The Parish Council had previously objected to this application on the grounds of highway safety, run-off and ground stability.

Further to Highways raising no objections, the Planning Officer was minded to approve the application and requested the Parish Council to respond within five working days with one of the following responses.

1. Agree with recommendation

2. Agree to disagree.

*3. Having made strong planning reasons, maintain objection to the proposal against the recommendation and request that the application is determined by the Planning Committee.

Councillors discussed the Planning Officer's comments and maintained their objection based on the initial reasons given and furthermore did not believe that the location is a sensible place for a parking bay.

Cllr J Candy proposed that the Clerk respond to Planning accordingly: 3. Maintain objection. This was seconded by Cllr B Lloyd and agreed by the meeting. There was one abstention.

8.2. Yardley House

Various communications had been received from residents by email about Yardley house being run as a commercial operation with up to 30 paying guests, without permission for change of use. Cornwall Cllr Pugh had notified Enforcement.

Councillors felt that the owner had misled the community and it was all achieved during lockdown. There had been further concern about asbestos being buried on-site, although this was a matter for the Environment Agency to look into.

9. URGENT BUSINESS ADMITTED BY THE CHAIR

The Parish Council had received a request for a Donderry toilet to be opened and the Chair requested Councillors to present their views on the public toilets.

It was discussed that it was a difficult decision, as opening a toilet in Donderry would increase the risk, yet there was an appreciation of need by certain groups of people. Councillors also agreed that the decision should be based on assessment of risk (and not cost).

It was proposed and agreed that no further toilets are opened at Seaton at this time, as regular monitoring shows that any queues are manageable and orderly and users are being responsible. It was also proposed and agreed to keep Downderry toilets closed at this time. It was considered that opening a toilet would introduce an additional risk to the centre of Downderry, a vulnerable community, when there are other toilets open to the public. A sign would be erected on the Downderry toilet door signposting visitors to the nearest open toilets in both Downderry and Seaton. The Parish Council would continue to monitor and assess the situation with public toilets as information becomes available.

10. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR POSSIBLE INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

No matters were raised.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 7.50pm.

**MINUTES of the EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of
DEVIOCK PARISH COUNCIL held virtually
on THURSDAY 20th AUGUST 2020 at 8pm**

PRESENT:

Cllrs. Ms. M. E. Temlett (Chair), Mrs. B. Lloyd, Mr. J. Croft, Mrs. A. Thorpe,
Mr. D. Parry, Mr. M. Gibbons, Mrs. A. Robinson and Mr. J. Candy
Karen Pugh (Parish Clerk)
Cornwall Cllr. R. Pugh

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

1.1. To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda

None received.

1.2. To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

None received.

1.3. To grant any requests for dispensations as appropriate

None requested.

2. 10 MINUTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD, for Public comment on the items below.

No members of the public were present.

3. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs J Millidge (holiday) and H Brockbank (work commitment).

4. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

4.1. To approve the Annual Governance Statement 2020

Cllr D Parry **proposed to approve** the Annual Governance Statement. This was **seconded** by the Chair and **agreed unanimously** by the meeting.

4.2. To approve the annual accounts Accounting Statements for the year ending 31st March 2020

The Clerk discussed main variances across the two financial years:

Line 3: income less precept

Community payments from wind turbines were not received in 2019/20, so the Clerk would invoice for both years in this financial year 2020/21 (total £12,000). Also, a grant of £5,000 had been received in 2018/19 for outdoor equipment.

Line 4: salary

This reflects the difference between clerk salaries (2019/20 includes two months of consultancy by the former clerk in Apr/May, plus ten months of the new clerk salary, with fewer hours, Jun/Mar).

Cllr D Parry **proposed to approve** the Accounting Statements. This was **seconded** by the Chair and **agreed unanimously** by the meeting.

5. URGENT BUSINESS ADMITTED BY THE CHAIR

None was admitted.

6. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR POSSIBLE INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

The Clerk was asked to look into business tax relief on the parish public toilets, which would need to be claimed for by the end of 28th August.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.20pm.