## Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting of Ruan Lanihorne Parish Council held at Ruan Reading Room on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 7.30pm

Present Councillors: J Adams, A Dundun, P Farr, C Martin, G Pring (Chairman)

In Attendance:

88/21 APOLOGIES - to receive, note and accept apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Larter due to other commitments.

Cllr Dundon proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to accept his apologies.

89/21 DISPENSATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (DPI) AND ANY OTHER SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS (OSI) - to receive and note (if any)

None

90/21 OPEN FORUM - for members of the Parish to make representations to the Council

There were no representations.

91/21 PLANNING - to consider the following planning application:
PA21/06477 Proposed extension and alterations to the existing dwellinghouse Polsue Cottage Ruan High Lanes TR2 5LU

Councillors discussed the planning application in depth against the policies of the Roseland Plan.

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to submit the following objection:

With reference to the National Planning Policy Framework policies refer to conserving AND ENHANCING the natural environment; we do not believe this application fully meets those objectives. The proposed extensions are of an inappropriate scale; a virtually doubling in size, and are without question, a significantly greater visual intrusion into the landscape character of the AONB than the existing dwelling.

More specifically, several policies of the Roseland Neighbourhood Plan listed in support of the application, (namely LA1, LA2, GP1, GP2 and HO9), are not complied with in a number of respects;

## LA1 - Objectives of the AONB management plan:

- (i) conserve AND enhance: we believe is not met either in spirit or reality.
- (ii) use materials AND BE OF A SCALE having appropriate regard etc. is not met.

**LA2 - Local landscape character:** The inappropriate scale, and consequential additional visual impact, cause the application to fail to meet this policy objective

## **GP2 – Design and character of the Roseland:**

- (i) appropriate scale for the location is not met.
- (iii) form and scale; is not deemed appropriate, particularly when the added impact of the substantial adjacent garage block, (not shown on the drawing elevations), is added to the equation.
- (iv) there is an obvious increase in the degree of visual exposure. The claim in 5.2 of the design statement that there is a "Minor change in massing" is clearly incorrect, since doubling in size is a MAJOR change in massing.

## **HO9 – Extensions & Annexes:**

- (ii) design of extension or annexe is subsidiary in scale is clearly not the case here with a virtual doubling in size.
- (iv) respect the local character in terms of BULK, SCALE (our Caps), height and materials. This policy is not met in terms of bulk and scale despite reference to so called similar properties of scale in the vicinity which are almost invisible from public viewpoints unlike this location.

92/21 TRELONK – to consider proposed format and representatives for a meeting

Councillors discussed the response from Trelonk agreeing to a meeting.

Cllr Dundon proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to arrange an informal meeting with Cllr Pring and Cllr Adams representing the Council.

93/21 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING (Tuesday 6th July 2021) – to confirm accuracy and approve

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the previous meeting.

94/21 MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING (Thursday 22nd July 2021) – to confirm accuracy and approve

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Dundon and the Council **resolved** that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the previous meeting.

95/21 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not on the agenda & for report only)

Per 71/21, regarding the noticeboards, the price of a pack of 10 magnets is £8.30 plus VAT. The noticeboard doors will close with the magnets affixed to the board. After discussion, the Clerk would order 4 packs.

Per 86/21, pre-planning advice has been issued from Cornwall Council.

96/21 CORRESPONDENCE (not on the agenda & for report only)

Peter Phillips of Cornwall Council has provided 'Local Council Planning Induction Training' videos for Councillors available via the Clerk.

97/21 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY – to receive report from meeting with Viv Bidgood from CORMAC, report issues and note updates

Cllr Pring reported that he had met Viv Bidgood with Cllr German. It was accepted that the 40mph limit could be extended but could not be reduced to 30mph and explained the technical reasons from the Ministry of Transport. A cost of between £2,000 and £3,000 may be incurred on the Council but an application could be submitted to the Community Network Panel in future. Viv Bidgood will report back to the Council.

The Clerk would ask Viv Bidgood whether the extension can be extended to the other side of the Ruan High Lanes and express that the Council are keen to move matters forward including road markings and chevrons where appropriate.

98/21 READING ROOM - to discuss painting of external windows

Mr Harvie has volunteered to re-paint two windows of the Reading Room.

Cllr Adams proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to accept his offer and re-imburse the costs of the paint and materials in liaison with Cllr Pring.

99/21 RETENTION AND DISPOSAL POLICY - to discuss and agree policy

Councillors discussed the draft policy.

The Council will defer the matter in order to fully understand the practical implications with a view to possibly simplifying the policy and reviewing any implications for time on the part of the Clerk.

100/21 CLERK'S CONTRACT – to consider salary increment and use of home as office expenses

The Council undertook an appraisal with the Clerk.

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to approve an increase to SPC 11 from June 2021, an increase of use of home as office provision to £26.00 per month from April 2021 and for the Clerk to claim ongoing travel expenses from April 2021.

101/21 FINANCE – to include finance report and cheques for signing

The Clerk presented the monthly budget monitoring report dated to the 12th August 2021.

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council resolved to sign cheques per the August budget monitoring report inset box entitled 'payments for authorisation' to the total sum of £732.00.

The meeting closed at 21:14pm.

Signed as a true record of the meeting

Chairman