

**MINUTES of an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF CARLYON PARISH COUNCIL held on THURSDAY 14 JANUARY 2021 at 6.00 pm  
(This was a virtual meeting)**

**Present:** Cllrs Paul Trudgian (Chairman), Graham Entwistle, Ann Taylor, Mike Thompson, Alan Moore, Heidi Clemo, Jane Chantrill-Burns

**In attendance:** Cllr Tom French, CC; Phil Stallwood, James Shimwell, Jacky Swain (CEG), Nick Thompson, Sophie White (Lichfields), Dale Jennings (Pencil & Ink), Ian Cruikshank (Wallingford); Julie Larter (Clerk); 5 members of the public.

**(20/104) Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Myles Breary and Mark Seckerson.

**(20/105) Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 December 2020**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 December 2020 be signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**(20/106) Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(20/107) Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman said that the development on Crinnis Beach will be the largest new development in the parish and thanked CEG for attending the meeting. He said that the fact that there were very few public comments on line suggests that there is a degree of fatigue over the beach development as it has been rolling for a long time. The Chairman said that Mr Peter Browning had asked for permission to show a number of slides during public participation and he felt this would be helpful as there are new parish councillors and residents in the area. The Chairman stressed that the principle of the development had already been established and the focus of this meeting should be on the amended plans. He stated that councillors should not get bogged down with the sea defences matter as councillors are not qualified engineers and CEG had undoubtedly gone through due diligence to ensure the scheme is fit for purpose.

**(20/108) Planning Applications for Crinnis Beach**

PA20/10310: Proposed revised sea defences on Crinnis and changes to Sandy River by way of variation of conditions principally no 16 of Decision Notice PA11/01331 dated 05/12/2011

PA20/10317, PA20/10318, PA20/10319, PA20/10323, PA20/10324, PA20/10325, PA20/10332, PA20/10333, PA20/10334, PA20/10335,

PA20/10344, PA20/10345 (All reserved matters applications relating to PA11/01331 (as amended))

### **(20/109) Presentation from the Applicants**

Representatives from CEG outlined the extant permission, the amended plans and the engagement process so far.

### **(20/110) Public Participation**

Mr Browning talked through a number of historic photographs ranging from the 1800s – 2014 which illustrated activity, storm damage and beach movement on Crinnis. Mr Browning expressed concerns about the planned sea defences as he felt that they are inadequate. He commented that there is no mention of air pollution from increased traffic and inadequate parking provision has been made. Mr Browning said that he has contacted the Sea Road Residents' Association and the association is fully supportive of his comments. The Chairman thanked Mr Browning for his presentation.

No other members of the public wished to speak.

### **(20/111) Questions and Answers**

Councillors made a number of comments and put questions to the developers, these included recognition that CEG must have spent a lot of money on ensuring the sea defences could not get washed away; the need to look to the future; the proposed design is too prominent and doesn't reflect the Cornish built landscape as previously promised; blocking the width of the public right of way and the need to ensure that it is not obstructed; sea defences being insufficient which could result in a loss of life; concern about an inadequate number of parking spaces; given that cars have become larger, what are the actual dimensions of the parking spaces?; has CEG dealt with the recommendations of Cornwall Wildlife Trust and comments detailed in the Marine Management Organisation's comments?; will the rearrangement of the Sandy River impinge on access to Shorthorn and Polgaver?; the impact construction traffic will have on residents who live on the part of Sea Road between the railway bridge and Beach Road; would the proposed sea defences need recharging each year?; will there be staff on site to manage parking in the top car park?

Responses from CEG

Sea Defences – the proposed sea defences are not experimental. Although labelled as soft defences there are a lot of hard defences buried below the sand. The proposed defences are of the same type as those approved for Shorthorn. No top up recharge is required. Designed to deal with a 1 in 200 year event and a 100 year sea level rise.

Car parking – The top car park will be managed hands-on. Spaces are 2.5 x 5m and meet current standards.

Traffic – A travel plan is in place. CEG now own Granite Gate and the area can be used to relieve pressure (staff parking/shuttle bus)

The Chairman summarised councillors' comments and said that he would like the parish council to work proactively with CEG, accept the positive aspects of the scheme and work together to negate the negative aspects.

It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) stating that Carlyon Parish Council has no objections to the revised plans, subject to Cornwall Council being satisfied with the fulfilment of statutory consultees' recommendations. However, the parish council seeks reassurance that Cornwall Council takes responsibility for ensuring that the proposed sea defences are fit for purpose, through a peer review of the design or other appropriate means, and that the monitoring of those defences is robust. Furthermore, the parish council would also like assurance that Cornwall Council is satisfied that adequate parking provision has been made and that effective processes are put in place to monitor parking capacity utilisation and implement contingency measures if required**

**(20/112) Dates of Forthcoming Meetings**

26 January, 23 February, 23 March, 27 April (also Annual Parish Meeting), 18 May 2021 (Annual Meeting of the Parish Council)

All meetings will be held virtually until guidance changes.

The meeting closed at 7.42 pm.

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Chairman

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Date