

## MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF POUNDSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16-April 2025

An Ordinary Meeting of Poundstock Parish Council was held on Wednesday 16-April 2025 at 7.00 p.m. in the Beach House, Widemouth Bay.

### 1. To note persons present and receive any apologies for absence with reason: 163/25

In attendance were Cllr. Stephen Blake in the Chair and Cllrs. Michelle Carter, Eric Harris, Steve Haynes, Pamela Idelson, Tom O'Sullivan and John Worth.

Apologies were received from Cllr. Graeme Swatton.

Members of the public present 2.

### 2. To receive declarations of registered and non-registered disclosable pecuniary interests and non-registerable interests: None received. 164/25

### 3. Council to consider requests for Dispensations from Members concerning items on the agenda: None received. 165/25

### 4. Public Open Session - Matters raised by members of the public on an agenda item: 166/25

A member of the public spoke regarding concerns about Widemouth Bay car park, raising issues including the lack of ANPR use by Cornwall Council, inadequate signage directing motorists through the one-way system, and an increase in dog litter not being picked up by owners, especially on the beach.

### 5. To resolve that the Minutes of the previous Full Council Meeting are an accurate record:

#### (a) Minutes of Full Council:

**RESOLVED unanimously, that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 02-April 2025 were a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chair (1 abs).** 167/25

**(b) Note any matters arising - None.** 168/25

### 6. Correspondence to discuss and resolve a course of action with any associated expenditure: 169/25

Correspondence schedule was reviewed and the following **NOTED.** 170/25

(a) 09/04/2025 Appeal Notification: PA25/00281 Contractors Yard - **NOTED.**

(b) 11/04/2025 5-Day Protocol PA25/00837 Ty Gwyn. In response to the 5-Day Protocol for PA25/00837 the Council **AGREED to select Option 2** - to agree to disagree raising the following concerns regarding the limitation of the single access highway and the potential increase in traffic, as well as the added pressure on the existing sewage infrastructure, which is already known to be problematic; furthermore, the applicant has stated that 'the annex is required to provide an independent living space for a dependent relative', and we request that this be added as a condition should permission be granted. 171/25

### 7. Planning Matters:

(a) Planning Applications to discuss and make a consultee comment:

**PA25/01647** Proposal: Proposed Dwellinghouse Location: Land East of The Firs, Vicarage Lane, Poundstock, Bude, Cornwall EX23 0AU. Following discussions, **it was unanimously RESOLVED to strongly OBJECT on the grounds that the proposal represents overdevelopment of the site, lies outside the designated development boundary, and is of a density and scale that is out of keeping with the surrounding area, resulting in a loss of valuable amenity space; while the Council raised no objection to the previously approved garage referenced by the architect, it maintains firm opposition to the development of an additional dwelling on this site.** 172/25

(b) To note any applications received from Cornwall Council by the time of the meeting: None. 173/25

(c) Planning Decisions – **NOTED** <https://www.poundstock-pc.gov.uk/planning-applications> 174/25

### 8. Finance to discuss and resolve a course of action with associated expenditure:

(a) To note income, banking and investment statements **NOTED.** 175/25

(b) To resolve to approve payment of outstanding accounts as per schedule.  
**RESOLVED unanimously, to make payments as scheduled.** 176/25

9. Agenda items to discuss and resolve a course of action and associated expenditure:
- (a) To receive an update and consider next steps for a new hall for Poundstock - Pending. **177/25**
- (b) To receive an update and consider next steps for the public toilets - The public toilets are cleaned daily, and during the Easter school holidays, increased usage was noted, with one toilet in the ladies' facility temporarily out of use. **178/25**
10. To receive reports and authorise any action: **179/25**
- (a) Poundstock Ward Member's Report: None.
- (b) Chair's Report: This being the final meeting under the current administration, the Chairman extended his thanks to retiring Cllr. Steve Haynes for his valued contribution, and to all continuing Councillors for their teamwork and mutual support, noting that together they have achieved a great deal and leave the new administration in a strong position. On behalf of all members, Vice-Chair Cllr. Michelle Carter thanked Cllr. Stephen Blake for his dynamic and dedicated chairmanship.
- (c) Clerk's Report: No report.
11. NDP Steering Group to receive reports and authorise any action and expenditure:
- It was NOTED that there was no response to the Call for Sites requirement for the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). **180/25**
12. Councils Representatives to receive reports from Outside Bodies: No reports. **181/25**
13. Portfolio Reports to receive written reports and authorise any action and expenditure: **182/25**
- Lead Councillor for Requests for Information Cllr. Tom O'Sullivan reported that two cases remain open with the ICO, and a decision is still awaited. **183/25**
14. Items for Information: None. **184/25**
15. Notification of meeting and suggested items for the agenda: **185/25**
- Annual Parish Meeting will be held ahead on the Council Meeting on Wednesday 14-May 2025 at 6:30pm.  
Date of next Parish Council Meeting will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting Wednesday on 14-May 2025 at 7:00pm at the Beach House, Widemouth Bay. **186/25**
16. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) Act 1960
- During the meeting it may arise that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential or special nature of the business to be transacted and the press and public will be instructed to withdraw. When this arises, the Chair will recommend to consider passing the following resolution; "to resolve that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business to be discussed, the public are excluded and instructed to withdraw - None. **187/25**
17. Close the Meeting - Meeting Closed at 20:07. **188/25**

## FINANCE SCHEDULE 16-APRIL 2025

### BANKING AND INVESTMENT STATEMENTS

CCLA	Statement 31/03/2025	£90,292.29
Call Account	Statement 31/03/2025	£310,634.86
Current Account	Statement 21/03/2025	£64,029.30
Reserve Account	Statement 20/03/2025	£51,981.09

### INCOME

Cornwall Council	Precept Apr 2025 Poundstock - 01/04/2025 BACS	£19,592.50
Cornwall Council	CIL Neighbourhood Payment Poundstock - 08/04/2025 BACS	£3,449.53
<b>TOTAL INCOME 02/04/2025</b>		<b>£23,042.03</b>

### EXPENDITURE

Laurence Associates	Invoice 39784 - 31/03/2025 Architects Services for New Hall (BACS)	£236.88
Starboard Systems Ltd	Invoice 9887 - 01-30 Apr 2025 (DD)	£50.40
ICCM	Membership Renewal 2025/2025 - 01/04/2025 (BACS)	£105.00
T.J. Davies Ltd	Invoice Cleaning Public Toilets April 2025 (BACS)	£1,980.00
SLCC	Annual Membership 2025/26 (BACS) (Min. 155/25)	£190.00
British Gas Business	Invoice 805300598 Public Toilets 02-Mar 50 01-Apr 25 (BACS)	£146.31
Staff Costs	Mth 1 (BACS)	£848.92
HMRC	PAYE/NIC Mth 1 (BACS)	£294.10
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 16/04/2025</b>		<b>£3,851.61</b>