

Crowan Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS, CROWAN

ON THURSDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY 2012 @ 7.30pm

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Present:	Cllr. Dr. Jenkin (Chairman)	Cllr. Cooke	Cllr. Hosken
In Attendance:	Mrs Thompson (Clerk)	Mr Bob Sanders (Contractor)	
Apologies:	Cllr. Roberts (ex officio)	Cllr. Trevan (personal matter)	Cllr. Muriel (ill health)

Ref.	Agenda Item	Action
	<u>Chairman's Welcome and Public Forum</u> – the Chairman welcomed those present. Cllr. Jenkin reported that she has now received scale maps from CC.	
PR12/2012	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> – see above. Mr Hudson and Ms Williams were not present.	
PR13/2012	<p><u>CC PROW Contacts</u> – Mr Colin Bayes deals with matters relating to PROW Maintenance; Ms Linda Holloway deals with Enforcement and Mr Daniel Senior is the main point of contact for issues on Public Rights of Way in West Cornwall. He records all issues on a database and then forwards them onto the relevant officer for attention. All future enquiries should, therefore, be addressed to Mr Senior.</p> <p>Mr Bayes advises a new company (CORMAC Solutions) is being formed w.e.f 1st April 2012 and Mr Bayes will be working for this arms-length company in providing a service to the client, Cornwall Council. Ms Holloway remains with Cornwall Council as Senior Enforcement Officer and he will be working closely with her on Enforcement Issues.</p> <p>He concludes that as there is still a lot of operational policy to be organised between CORMAC Solutions and CC and this includes the attendance of officers at evening meetings. They are unable to commit to attending any evening Parish meetings at the moment.</p> <p>There was some discussion as to how the CC / CORMAC Solutions would work and Mr Bayes role within the new set up.</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkin advised that she had been told verbally that the grant for 2012/13 would be the same as for 2011/12.</p>	
PR14/2012	<p><u>PROW Issues</u> – the Full Council has authorised the PROW Committee to spend the remainder of the budget (Minute 29b/2012 refers). Members received an update, regarding:</p> <p>a. <i>PROW 207/3/2</i> – a garage has been built across the path. The hedge stile halfway along 207/3/2 needs the stone steps on the E side to be re-set and a vertical post handhold installed at the top of the hedge. Where the path joined 207/1/1 a cattle grid has been put across the path. Some barbed wire also needs to be removed. Also, the dilapidated, fixed gate out of 207/3/2 into 207/2/1 at Jimmy's Lane needs replacing as few would be able to negotiate it safely.</p> <p>It is understood that Mr Colin Bayes has spoken to the landowner. Cllr. Jenkin reported that in order to change the route a modification order must be applied for. If one is not forthcoming then an enforcement order will be issued. The fixed gate is on the list to be replaced, however, there is no money in CC's budget. There is knotweed in Jimmy's Lane. The Clerk to ensure this has been reported to CC. This agenda item to be deferred for three months.</p>	Clerk May Meeting

<p>b. <i>PROW 207/21/2 into 111/23/1</i> – both open field sections of the path 207/21/2 and its extension onto 111/23/1 are covered by standing crops. Ms Holloway has walked part of this path. Cllr. Jenkin reported that the footpath in our parish has been re-instated, but not that in the adjoining parish. The wooden hedge stile and hand post between these paths has been removed and needs to be replaced. Ms Holloway believes that the landowners can be ‘encouraged’ to rectify this. This agenda item to be deferred for three months.</p>	<p>May Meeting</p>
<p>c. <i>PROW 207/38</i> – possible direction sign on the footpath opposite going through Clowance Wood Farm. Noted it is signed at the other (western) end and the footpath was moved with a diversion order several years ago. Mr Colin Bayes advises CC’s West Team is committed to an extensive Capital Funding Programme until 30th March 2012 and they don’t have the resources to deal with way-marking and signs issues at the moment. Members request for the installation of new signage and, if this is not possible, the request that the signs at the western end be moved to the eastern end, will be recorded by Mr Senior and dealt with as and when resources become available. Mr Sanders indicated he has a suitable post and it was RESOLVED that he would liaise with the landowner and install the post, with the Parish Council meetings the costs. Matter then closed.</p>	
<p>d. <i>PROW 207/68/2</i> – CC has been asked to install an extra directional sign by the small gate on Little Borthog Farm, Praze. The Clerk has already provided Cllr. Tripp with the small directional signs she held. Cllr. Hosken will visit the site to look at the type/condition of existing signs. The Clerk will try to obtain a further supply of the signs (small round and larger oblong). The stile on the site is overgrown. Mr Sanders will ensure this will be cut as part of the 2012 cutting regime.</p>	<p>Cllr. Hosken Clerk Mr Sanders</p>
<p>e. <i>Bridleway 78</i> – possible directional sign to be installed at the western end and for the pedestrian access to be reinstated adjacent to the access to the bridleway. An examination of the definitive map does not give any indication of a pedestrian entrance, therefore, no action is possible without a modification order. Mr Sanders will visit the site to see if there is any evidence of a pedestrian entrance on the ground. The Clerk to advise the resident who raised the matter.</p>	<p>Mr Sanders Clerk</p>
<p>f. <i>PROW 207/100</i> – it is impossible to get through by Hr. Buscaverran Farm Mr Bayes reports that historical research is required on the route through Hr. Buscaverran Farm and he believes that Ms Holloway was going to do some ‘digging around’ and CC will act upon her findings. Noted it will take a day’s work to re-open this PROW. It was RESOLVED that Mr Sanders will meet Ms Holloway to identify the route and then he will re-open the path, with the Parish Council meeting the costs involved. Matter then closed.</p>	<p>Mr Sanders</p>
<p>g. <i>PROW/207/104/1</i> – has sheds, bird cages, etc. built over it. Mr Sanders will liaise with Ms Linda Holloway and, hopefully, make a site inspection.</p>	<p>Mr Sanders</p>
<p>h. <i>PROW/207/136</i> – this path was found to have sea shell and fish remains from what appears to be business production running down it. Cllr. Jenkin reported that a number of agencies had been involved in this site. Cllr. Jenkin will liaise with EH and report, again.</p>	<p>Cllr. Jenkin</p>
<p>i. <i>PROW 207/118</i> – a property has been erected over this footpath and a diversion application is expected. Cllr. Jenkin reported that Ms Linda Holloway has designed a route which utilises the land owned by the owner of the property. CC Planning have agreed to meet the cost of the diversion order. This agenda item to be deferred for three months.</p>	<p>May Meeting</p>

	<p>j. <i>PROWs 207/113, 207/124, 207/125, 207/126, 207/127, 207/131, and 207/139</i> – are all difficult to locate on the ground.</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkin said this will be a big task to sort out. A site visit by Ms Holloway is needed. Mr Sanders said that nothing will happen in the current year. Deferred to the July Meeting, to seek an update from Ms Holloway.</p>	July Meeting
PR15/2012	<p><u>PROW Cutting</u> – Members received a verbal report from the Committee Members undertaking the programme of walks to check the PROWs.</p> <p>a. <i>Townshend – Leedstown</i> – programme of walks completed.</p> <p>There is a boggy area on PROW/207/16, which could be rectified by a boardwalk. To be considered as a future project.</p> <p>b. <i>Praze Side of Leedstown</i> – Cllr. Hosken reported he had walked some of the paths in his area and had found no problems. There was some discussion, regarding the route of PROW/207/29. It was confirmed that it should come out by Wild Winds.</p> <p>c. <i>Praze</i> – Cllr. Jenkin reported she had walked some of the paths in her area and had found no problems.</p> <p>d. <i>Nancegollan</i> – in the absence of Ms Williams there was no update.</p> <p>e. <i>Programme of Walks</i> – Members to set up a programme for 2012. The scale maps are to hand and copies will be made available to those carrying out the walks.</p>	<p>Cllr. Trevan</p> <p>Cllrs. Hosken / Trevan</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkin</p> <p>Ms Williams</p>
PR16/2012	<p><u>2012 Cutting Regime</u> – Mr Sanders reported that some half of the maps had been completed (i.e. examined and amendments made to the cutting regimes). Cllr. Jenkin gave him all the scale maps from CC. He and Cllr. Trevan will work through the remainder. The Committee felt that copies of the maps on CD should be made available. Cllr. Jenkin will burn 9 copies.</p>	<p>Mr Sanders / Cllr. Trevan</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkin</p>
PR17/2012	<p><u>Meeting Dates</u> – Members decided not to hold a meeting in March, but to meet again on 26th April 2012.</p>	

Signature: (Cllr. Roberts)
Chairman

Date: 17th April 2012