



CALSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

ABANDONED BOAT, VEHICLE, TOWABLE ITEMS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PROPERTY POLICY

Purpose

- To maintain the visual impact of Calstock Parish
- To help keep council land tidy and accessible
- Encourage the active use of the water frontage in Calstock Village for local people and visitors by maintaining active access and availability of council-owned moorings.

Aim

To provide a reasonable and transparent approach to deal with abandoned craft and other property littering Calstock Parish to minimise the risk of further items being left in a growing state of disrepair.

Policy

The Policy refers to any waterborne craft, vehicles, towable items and other large miscellaneous objects located on Calstock Parish Council owned land or area of responsibility which do not appear to be in active use or have unknown ownership.

- The Policy will be invoked when an apparently abandoned object has been identified by local residents, Parish Council employees or Parish Councillors and then monitored as not having moved for more than 4 weeks.
- When the Parish Council is notified, photographs will be taken of the site and condition of the item.
- A laminated notice will be placed on the item stating that it has been identified as looking as if it has been abandoned. When in place the notice will be photographed in situ and filed as evidence that the appropriate notification was made.
- The notice will ask the owner to identify themselves by a certain date (4 weeks after the notification) to the Clerk of the Parish Council who will ascertain whether mooring fees are due (in the case of a waterborne craft) or if the owner can be traced.
- During this period a poster, including the photograph, will be placed on the Parish Council noticeboard, website and relevant social media sites stating that the object has been identified formally as being 'abandoned' and will be removed after the date cited above.



- If, after the above procedure, no contact has been made by the owner to the Parish Council a final encapsulated notice will be placed on the boat stating that the item has been reported to Cornwall Council for removal under Section 33 of the Environment Protection Act 1990 as fly tipping or - in the case of a vehicle - for removal under the Clean Neighbourhood and Environmental Act 2005 Refuse Disposal (Amenity) Act 1978; Removal, Storage and Disposal of Vehicles (Prescribed Sums and Charges etc) (Amendment) Regulations 1993

Adopted:

Signed: (Chairman of Parish Council)

Date: