

# WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday, January 19, 2009 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr Mrs M.Warren (Chairman)	Cllr G.Gibson
	Cllr W.Hamilton (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr Mrs C.Lay
	Cllr M.Boase	Cllr Mrs D.Mitchell
	Cllr M.Clayton	Cllr Mrs S.Moyle
	Cllr N.van den Berg	Cllr Mrs S.Swift
	Cllr J.Buxton	
	Cllr P.Davidson	C.F.P.Chapman (Clerk)

**Visitors:** CCCllr P.Phillips, KDCllr Mrs Taylor, Mr & Mrs Hendra, Mr I.Perry and Mr J.Semmens.

The Chairman welcomed Members and visitors to the meeting.

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cllr Davidson proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded (Cllr Boase, Cllr Clayton and Cllr Mrs Swift who were absent from the last meeting abstained) all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Monday December 15, 2008 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

## 3 MATTERS ARISING AND NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE IN THIS AGENDA

There were no matters arising which were not covered elsewhere in the agenda.

## 4 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS

CCCllr Phillips reported that

- he was delighted to be in a position to recommend a grant of £1,000 from the Members' Community Grant Scheme towards the publication of *Five Walks in Wendron* and understood that the Clerk had received notification of this award
- as a member of the public, he had noticed that, at the Farms Common bend, the red warning sign does not reflect and that some of the reflective bollards are missing.

In answer to a question, CCCllr Phillips said that, although he keeps pressing for construction of the relief road at Trewennack he does not believe it will be brought forward under the new public works initiative.

KDCllr Mrs Taylor reported that a survey on local authority office space has revealed that County Hall has sufficient room to employ 1,100 people. This is a sizable increase on the number employed there at present and raises questions about sustainability in towns and villages other than Truro should employee numbers at County Hall be increased.

KDCllr Mrs Swift reported that, as the Chair of Kerrier's Audit Committee, she had recently attended an extended Finance Meeting at County Hall at which the new Unitary Authority Directors had pleaded the case for keeping their budgets at present levels. The ultimate aim is to have a seamless transfer financially from the County Council to the Unitary Authority. On another note, she reported that Citizens' Advice Bureaux throughout Cornwall have now been merged into CAB Cornwall of which she is a Board Member.

KDCllr Clayton reported that

- CCCllr Whalley has advised the Joint Implementation Executive that the Boundary Committee will complete their review to enable the election to take place on October 22, 2009
- the Environment Agency and the applicant's agent have reached mutual agreement for a main line sewer connection at The Old Vicarage, Penmarth to be installed by the end of January
- work on the main line sewer scheme in Carnkie will commence shortly; Building Regulation costings have been given to Mr Len Pascoe for distribution. The inspection fee for works under £1,000 is £50.00; above that the fee is £100.00
- at Kerrier, a funding increase to the existing budget for Community Projects will be considered at the Kerrier District Council Cabinet meeting on February 3, 2009. It is intended that this will help to fast-track funding for a variety of projects throughout the District
- the £1,500 agreed funding for road signage at Farms Common will be transferred to Wendron Parish Council in the near future
- in the interim period, Kerrier District Council and Penwith District Council will each have six Members (politically balanced) on the Area Planning Committees. This will have the effect of denying all local representation
- the Parish and Town Council precepts 2009/10 will be subject to capping; a report will be going to the Implementation Executive on January 22, 2009 giving details
- Planning Enforcement procedures are being followed at The Old Carpenter's Shop, Laity.

## 5 POLICE REPORT

There was no report from the police.

### Correspondence

**Devon & Cornwall Police Authority** appointment of independent custody visitors – *noted*

**Devon & Cornwall Police Authority** appointment of independent members to the Police Authority– *noted*

## 6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Wishing everyone present a very happy New Year, Mr Perry said that he believes it important that the Parish Council continues to pressurize Cornwall Highways to complete the relief road at Trewennack.

Speaking as the Chairman of Crowan Parish Council, Mrs Taylor spoke of her Council's dismay that the Boundary Committee's draft recommendation splits her Parish into two wards. She spoke of the fears both for the historic boundaries of the Parish and of the consequent loss of identity. Her Council has proposed that Crowan joins Wendron in a single Unitary Authority ward and she asked for Wendron Parish Council's support in this proposal. Answering, the Chairman, Cllr Mrs Warren, said that Wendron has already replied to the Boundary Commission stating that the Parish is happy with the draft recommendation.

## 7 PROJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH

**Wendron Walks booklets** The Clerk presented two walks drawn from the draft copy of the booklet to members and asked for corrections of fact, spelling and grammar to be sent to him before the next meeting.

## 8 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Members agreed that, unless there are pressing reasons for change, the dates for the meetings in 2009 will be as follows

Monday February 16, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday March 9, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday April 13, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday May 11, 2009	Annual Parish Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday May 11, 2009	Annual Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday June 8, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday July 13, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday August 10, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday September 14, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday October 12, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday November 9, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday December 14, 2009	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday January 11, 2010	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
Monday February 8, 2010	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings are due to begin at 7.30pm

## 9 FINANCE

Members considered a request from Penmarth Methodist Church for financial help with the cost of a disabled access. Cllr Davidson proposed and it was agreed that, because the quotation presented for this work appears to be over-priced, Wendron Parish Council is presently unable to help. Cllr Mrs Swift suggested to Mrs Hendra, who was present and who is the Trust Secretary, that she might like to contact Mr Mike Elms from Disability Cornwall with a view to getting a keener quotation.

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

	<b>GROSS</b>	<b>NET</b>	<b>VAT</b>
Eric and Jeff Bray	£ 109.25	£ 95.00	£ 14.25
JackPlug (website)	£ 315.98		
RTS Garden Services) Ltd	£ 141.45	£ 123.00	£ 18.45
Newsquest South-West	£ 37.38	£ 32.50	£ 4.88
Serpentine Design (Walks Booklet)	£ 10,790.00		
Colin Chapman			
Salary (December)	£ 474.35		
telephone	£ 20.71		
office expenses	£ 39.64		
travelling	£ 11.72		
use of home	£ 25.00		
total	£ 571.42		

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Warren, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moyle, all others in favour that the above six accounts be paid.

Members noted the following receipts

Cornwall County Council	
Members' Community Grant Scheme	£ 1,000.00
Bus shelter grant	£ 3,000.00
Kerrier District Council	£ 10.00

The Clerk reported that the last sum had been received in error. It should have been sent to one of the local organisations who have agreed to display the Edited Register of Electors.

## 10 PLANNING

Cllr Clayton and Cllr Mrs Swift declared an interest as members of KDC Planning Committee. They remained in the room, but took no part in either the discussion or the voting.

### Applications

As a friend and near neighbour of the applicant, Cllr Davidson declared a personal interest in the following application. He remained in the room, but took no part in either the discussion or the voting.

PA08/00982/F Mr J Semmens – Conversion of redundant cottage and outbuildings to form two holiday units and a utility building – Blackdowns Cottage, South Calvadnack, Carnmenellis. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded all others in favour that Wendron Parish Council supports this application.

PA09/00015/F Mr M.Daley – Erection of an extension to dwelling – Foxes Den, Trevenen. Cllr Boase proposed, Cllr van den Berg seconded all others in favour that Wendron Parish Council supports this application.

PA09/00027/F Mr & Mrs Simmons – Erection of an annexe extension to dwelling – Robrose, Lestraynes Lane, Rame. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded all others in favour that Wendron Parish Council supports this application.

### Decisions

PA08/00817/F Mr Tynan & Ms Stenson – Refusal of Permission for development (retention of a septic tank – revised location) – adjacent to the Old Vicarage, Penmarth – *noted*

PA08/01533/LU Mr & Mrs M.Sear – Refusal of Certificate of Lawful Use or Development (existing use of land for the stationing of a residential caravan and associated residential curtilage, including use of buildings for stabling and storage) – opposite Penmount House, Menherion – *noted*

PA08/01695/F Ms H.Eady – Conditional Permission for development (erection of a first-floor extension to dwelling) – Sunray, Trewennack – *noted*

PA08/01754/F Mr D.Hutchings – Conditional Permission for development (conversion of barn to form a dwelling and installation of a septic tank) – Forest Farm Barn, Four Lanes – *noted*

PA08/01803/F Mr & Mrs S.Lunn – Conditional Permission for development (erection of an extension to dwelling) – Tolcarne Wartha Cottage, Wendron – *noted*

## **11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE**

### **Correspondence**

**Andrew George** six-monthly timetable of surgeries in the constituency – *noted*

**Communities and Local Government** consultation document on the code of recommended practice on local authority publicity – *noted*

**Environment Agency** South West Region Calendar for 2009 – *noted*

**CCC** reorganisation of the Highway Service (new contacts) – *noted*

**Cornwall Blind Association** acknowledgement of and thanks for donation – *noted*

**Wendron Cricket Club** re travel directions to Wendron CC – *noted*

**Clerks and Councils Direct** magazine – *noted*

**CALC** latest updates and notification of the AGM on Saturday February 7, 2009 – *noted*

**CALC** request for a view on whether or not Wendron Parish Council would, on April 1, 2009, prefer to see the Implementation Executive abolished and its function taken on by Cornwall County Council – *noted*

**CCC** copy of report to the IE Electoral Review Working Group – *noted*

**CCC** (Cllr Whalley) concerning transition arrangements and CALC's invitation to comment on the future of the Implementation Executive – *noted*

## **12 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

The Chairman made no comments at this stage.

## **13 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS**

No matters for inclusion at future meetings were tabled.

## **OTHER MATTERS**

The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Colin Jarvis (CCC Acting Director Planning, Transportation and Estates) both to express concerns (in the light of the present economic climate) about possible delays with the provision of the relief road at Trewennack and (following a report from Cllr Mrs Lay) to draw attention to problems relating to parking outside Wendron School.

Cllr Clayton drew members' attention to debts incurred by Cornwall County Council which have risen from £120 million four years ago to a present total of £585 million (a debt which costs residents of Cornwall £25 million per annum to service). He further warned of a proposal to collect both recyclates and household rubbish on a monthly basis.

Cllr Mrs Lay drew members' attention to signage elsewhere in the county which details numbers of accidents on a particular stretch of road and suggested that such a sign might be erected at or near Farms Common.

## **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday February 16, 2009, in the Community Hall, Burras commencing at 7:30pm

Signed.....Chairman

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