

# WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday, March 8, 2010 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

**Present:**

Cllr Mrs M. Warren (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr G. Gibson
Cllr N. van den Berg	Cllr Mrs C. Lay
Cllr M. Boase	Cllr Mrs D. Mitchell
Cllr J. Buxton	Cllr Mrs S. Moyle
Cllr P. Davidson	C.F.P. Chapman (Clerk)

**Visitors:** PCSO Sadler.

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr Mrs Warren took the chair and welcomed members and visitors to the March meeting.

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Hamilton and Cllr Clayton sent their apologies for absence.

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Mrs Lay seconded, Cllr van den Berg, Cllr Boase, Cllr Buxton and Cllr Mrs Mitchell who were absent from the last meeting abstained, all others in favour that, with the addition of the hand-written amendments, the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, February 15, 2010 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

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

Cllr Boase expressed his thanks to fellow Councillors for the 'Get Well' card which had been sent to him following the February meeting.

## 4 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

Through the Clerk, CCllr Clayton asked that Wendron Parish Council give due and sympathetic consideration towards a making a grant to Wendron Cricket Club in the sum of £3,000 to be put towards the cost of an all-weather playing surface.

## 5 POLICE REPORT

PCSO Sadler reported that in February 2010 six crimes (two common assaults, two burglaries, a theft and an incidence of criminal damage) were reported to the Police, which compares with eight crimes reported during the same period in 2009. She added that the Police and Communities Together meeting had been held at Halwin School on March 1 at which the Police had been able to help those few people who had attended. A further meeting will be held later in the year.

## 6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

## 7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Members again reported that they had been unsuccessful in persuading candidates to put themselves forward for co-option.

## 8 PARISH MATTERS

### Calvadnack Common

The Clerk reported that, in principle, the Community Payback team is willing to undertake the clearance and maintenance of Calvadnack Common. There is a nominal charge of £20 per team visit, but that pays for up to eight men working for upwards of six hours a time. The Clerk suggested that if the Parish Council were to offer the Community Payback Team an annual sum, Calvadnack Common would be cleared and kept clear of scrub and so made open and accessible both to humans and to an increasing diversity of wildlife. Members agreed that the Clerk should take the matter further.

### Noticeboards

Cllr Gibson reported that he had attached the door he had made to the notice-board in Penmarth. Members agreed that Cllr Davidson should approach a joiner who lives in Penmarth with a view to obtaining a quotation to add doors to the four notice-boards which require them and report back to members at the next meeting.

### Carnkie Play Area

The Clerk reported that, at the request of Mrs Rachel Oliver and Mrs Debbie Childs, they, Mr Gareth Mitchell and he had all met at the Play Area in Carnkie. The terms of the lease with Mr Cruikshanks require the strip of land which immediately surrounds the play area to be kept strimmed and recently this has not been done to Mr Cruikshanks' satisfaction. The area to be strimmed was pointed out to Mr Mitchell who undertook to do it immediately. At the same time the Clerk had instructed Mr Mitchell to remove four trees which had fallen into the river and had noted that, despite a telephone call to South West Water in December, the reinstatement of the Common has not, as yet, been properly completed. He has since followed this up and South West Water has again undertaken to complete the work properly and further to investigate the seepage of what looks suspiciously like foul water into the river. During the course of the meeting at Carnkie it had become apparent that there is renewed interest in the acquisition of a Rota Web and the Clerk had undertaken to complete further grant funding requests. There were also one or two matters relating to maintenance which required prior approval from the Parish Council: the power-washing of safety-surfaces (at an estimated maximum cost of £150), the purchase of glue to stick the safety-surfaces securely to the base and the rolling of the grassy area. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded all in favour to allocate an initial maximum sum of £300 to carry out the work detailed above.

### Stithians Lake car-park

Further to last month's decision to give due consideration to part-funding the development of a car-park at the south-eastern end of Stithians Lake, the Clerk drew members' attention to an undertaking from CCllr Clayton that he would be well disposed towards funding a car-park at this location from his Member's Allowance. Nevertheless, some doubts were expressed about public money being used to finance the full cost of a car-park on land leased to South West Water. The Clerk reported that at a meeting on March 5 attended by CCllr Clayton, Mr Colin Bayes (Cornwall Council Countryside Officer), Mr Costa Hadji-Argyris (the Area Manager for South West Lakes' Trust) and himself, it had become apparent that a hard surface (capable of being used as a car park) already exists beneath the vegetation.

The Clerk reported that at that meeting, those present had agreed that Wendron Parish Council should be asked to approve a request for the positioning of two footpath signs on Polighy Moor (one as the track leaves the road and passes through Mr Treloar's yard and the second at the entrance to Tangies Farm) which, with the inclusion of the footpath over the southern part of Polighy Moor will create a good circular walk with links to the walk around the lake. Members were also asked to approve a request for Cornwall Highways to level the rough and unkempt roadside verge on the northern side of the causeway for use by pedestrians and to paint a white line on the road to give them added protection. Both these matters were approved by Councillors without a formal vote being taken.

## 9 FINANCE

Members considered a request from Shelter for help with funding. Following discussion, it was agreed that Wendron Parish Council cannot accede to this request.

Members considered a request from the Citizens' Advice Bureau (Cornwall) for financial help. It was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Warren, all others in favour that, under the terms of Section 142(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the sum of £200 be forwarded to the Citizens' Advice Bureau (Cornwall) for use in the Helston bureau.

*As a member of the Carnmenellis Churchyard Preservation Committee, Cllr Mrs Moyle declared a personal interest in the following application for help with funding. She remained in the room but took no part in the discussion or the voting.*

Members considered a request from Carnmenellis Churchyard Preservation Committee for financial help towards the maintenance of the cemetery. It was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Gibson, all others in favour that, under the terms of Section 214(6) of the Local Government Act 1972, the sum of £350 be forwarded to Carnmenellis Churchyard Preservation Committee for help towards the cost of the maintenance of the cemetery.

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

		<b>GROSS</b>	<b>NET</b>	<b>VAT</b>
HM Revenue and Customs		£ 479.27		
RTS Garden Services				
Footpaths 58, 61, 62, 75, 160, 178,179, 180 and 205		£ 272.81	£ 232.18	£ 40.63
Gareth Mitchell				
Cutting open areas (March)	£ 90.00			
Churchyard at Wendron	£ 84.00			
Work at Carnkie Play Area	£ 132.00			
Mole traps	£ 19.33			
	total	£ 325.33	£ 322.45	£ 2.88
Colin Chapman				
Salary (February)	£ 482.40			
telephone	£ 16.01			
office expenses	£ 34.31			
travelling	£ 27.34			
use of home	£ 25.00			
	total	£ 585.06		

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

RTS Garden Services (Penmarth fingerpost)	£ 528.75	£ 450.00	£ 78.75
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It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Warren, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moyle, Cllr Davidson and Cllr Gibson abstaining all others in favour the above account be paid.

The following receipt was noted

CC LMP payment	£ 548.76
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## 10 PLANNING

### Applications

PA10/00142/F Mr E.Martin – Erection of a replacement dwelling – Trevilges Cottage, Trewennack. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Subject to Building Regulations approval of the design, Wendron Parish Council supports this application.”

PA10/00159/F Mr M.Wearne – Erection of a agricultural worker’s dwelling and detached garage – New View, Carnebone Farm, Laity. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Buxton seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council supports this application subject to the County Land Agent’s endorsement and a condition requiring the removal of the residential caravan presently located on this site once the dwelling is completed.”

PA10/00206/F Mr N Hosking – Temporary stationing of an agricultural worker’s caravan – Land at Lower Burras Farm, Burras. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Lay seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “In the absence of any supporting documentation Wendron Parish Council cannot make an informed decision on this application and therefore asks the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.”

PA10/00180/F Freestyle Developers (Cornwall) Ltd – Extension to substantially completed Barn Conversion – Trevilges Farm, Trewennack. Cllr van den Berg proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council supports this application.”

PA10/00243/F Mr R.M.Jordan & Mrs H.G.J.Merrick – Dormer extension to dwelling – North Calvadnack, Polgear. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Lay seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council supports this application.”

### **Correspondence**

**Mr and Mrs Bambury** letter of thanks for being copied into correspondence between Wendron Parish Council and Cornwall Council together with a copy of their letter of complaint concerning the planning procedure relating to the siting of a wind turbine at Little White Alice – *noted*

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

### **Correspondence**

**LCR** complimentary copy of the NALC magazine – *noted*

**CC** car-parking questionnaire – *noted*

**CC Farms Common B3257 Local Safety Scheme** – *it was agreed that the Clerk should press for the return of the cheque for £1,926.25 paid to Cornwall Council on January 11, 2010 for the purchase and positioning of new chevrons at Farms Common*

**CC** tackling long-term empty properties – *noted*

**Marie Curie Cancer Care** acknowledgement of and thanks for donation – *noted*

**SW Lakes Trust** invitation to the Wheelyboat launch on Tuesday March 23 – *noted*

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

## **12 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

The Chairman made no comments at this stage of the meeting.

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

No further matters for inclusion at future meetings were tabled.

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

The next Ordinary Parish Meeting will be held on Monday April 12, 2010 at 7.30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

Signed.....Chairman

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