

# WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday October 8, 2012 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

**Present:**

Cllr Mrs M.Warren	Cllr C.Mitchell
Cllr N.van den Berg	Cllr Mrs D.Mitchell
Cllr P.Davidson	Cllr Mrs S.Moyle
Cllr G.Gibson	
Cllr R.Maddern	C.F.P.Chapman (Clerk)

**Visitors:** CCllr Dr Jenkin.

In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, Cllr Mrs M.Warren assumed the Chair and welcomed members and visitors to the October meeting.

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Mrs C.Lay and Cllr Tremayne sent their apologies for absence.

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS

Cllr Mitchell proposed, Cllr Maddern seconded, all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday September 10, 2012 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

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

Members noted that a number of the historic milestones within the parish have recently been cleaned and painted. It is believed that this work has been done by the Milestone Society, but whoever has done it has done an excellent job and has earned the gratitude of the community.

## 4 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that since the last meeting she has

- signed a motion of no confidence in the Leader and that this will be debated at a special Council meeting on October 16. This all followed a Full Council meeting at which a motion opposing the transfer of public services to a Joint Venture Private Company was passed. Despite it, the Cabinet continued to pursue its original policy. A subsequent public petition has been endorsed by more than 5,000 signatures and the issue now has to be considered by Full Council
- undertaken her usual Officer chasing on planning, highways and enforcement issues
- attended a Cabinet meeting at which it was decided that the New Archive for Cornwall will be in Redruth
- attended a drop-in session concerned with the Core Strategy Document (which is now called the Draft Local Plan and which is almost ready for its final consultation) and the Helston Framework Plan which is being developed alongside it. There are still many unresolved issues in the new Draft Local Plan and, despite the fact that the Cabinet Planning Policy Advisory panel has supported a lower house building number (38-40,000 rather than 49,000), the portfolio holder has not accepted its recommendation
- attended Helston Town Council where the planning application for 8 houses in Lowertown was opposed.
- attended the Business Rates informal working group which considered the guidance on discretionary rate relief that will go to Cabinet in October

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- attended meetings on the Standards guidance and final code for Town and Parish Councils. Training is currently being undertaken by CALC: CC will continue with the training with effect from December
- attended a member briefing on Localism which looked at the implications of the Localism Act in the light of current guidance coming from government
- attended the Strategic Planning Committee meeting where the Little Trevease Solar Park was recommended for approval, final discussions being delegated to the planning officer.

Additionally, she reported that the South Kerrier Heritage Trust's expression of interest in running the Helston Museum has been accepted and that a business plan is currently being written. She also reported her attendance at the launch of the proposals for the adjacent Passmore Edwards Institute.

## **5 POLICE REPORT**

Through the Clerk, PCSO Sadler reported that five crimes were reported to the police in September. These were described as being false representation (possibly fraud), wounding with intent, driving with excess alcohol in the blood and two incidences of criminal damage. She urged everyone to remain on guard.

## **6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no members of the public present.

## **7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS**

### **Remembrance Sunday November 11, 2012**

It was agreed that Cllr Mrs Warren and the Clerk should divide the tasks between them. The Clerk added that he would make the usual arrangements.

## **8 PARISH MATTERS**

### **Project considerations**

It was noted that the Clerk has contacted the owner of the piece of land in Carnkie and that dialogue has ensued.

### **Wind Turbines**

Members noted the lack of a county-wide strategy for the erection of wind turbines, their consequent sporadic development and their cumulative effect on the landscape. Members felt that they impose on the landscape and that their erection may be having an adverse effect on tourism. They also noted that, although a clause is inserted into the written permission for development which requires that *In the event that the turbine ceases to generate power for a continuous period of six months, the base, the tower and the turbine itself are all dismantled and removed from site and the land is returned to agricultural use*, no financial bond to ensure this remedial work is done is presently required from the developer. The Clerk was asked to write to Cornwall Council expressing Wendron Parish Council's alarm about the present lack both of a policy and of a financial guarantee for the eventual remedial work and to draw attention to the plight of Rame which is being enclosed by an ever increasing number of electrical apparatus.

### **Polhigy Moor**

It was noted that PROW 85 is presently blocked and the Clerk was asked to report this..

## **9 FINANCE**

The Clerk presented Councillors with a statement of Wendron Parish Council's financial position as at October 8, 2012. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

Members considered an invitation to renew the subscription to the *Clerks and Councils Direct Newsletter* in the sum of £12.00 Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Gibson seconded and it was agreed to purchase a single subscription to the *Clerks and Councils Direct Newsletter* for the coming year at a cost of £12.00.

Members considered a request from the Cornwall Blind Association for financial help towards its volunteer transport service for blind and visually impaired people in the area. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Mitchell, all others in favour that the sum of £50.00 be forwarded to the Cornwall Blind Association under the terms of Section 142(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Members considered a request from the Cornwall County Playing Fields Association for financial help towards its work. Following discussion, it was agreed that Wendron Parish Council is unable to accede to this request.

Speaking of a request from the Trewennack Horticultural Show for financial help towards the costs of staging the Show, Cllr Davidson reported that he had asked to see the Show's most recent statement of accounts. It was agreed to consider this request at the next meeting.

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The following accounts were presented for consideration:

		<b>GROSS</b>	<b>NET</b>	<b>VAT</b>
<b>R.Sanders</b>				
Churchyard and cemetery (03/09)	£ 180.00			
Church (19/09)	£ 57.50			
	total	£ 237.50		
<b>Gareth Mitchell</b>				
Cutting grass 05/09	£ 100.00			
Spraying herbicide (Carnkie)	£ 24.00			
Cutting grass 22/09	£ 100.00			
	total	£ 224.00		
Eric and Jeff Bray		£ 147.60	£ 123.00	£ 24.60
<b>Colin Chapman</b>				
Salary (September)	£ 563.86			
telephone	£ 16.53			
office expenses	£ 44.25			
travelling	£ 48.10			
use of home	£ 25.00			
	total	£ 697.74		

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

Members noted the following receipt

Mrs Richards (mugs donation)	£ 12.00
Mrs Lay (mugs donation)	£ 15.00
Mrs Gronwallt (mugs donation)	£ 24.00

## 10 PLANNING

### Applications

PA12/08151 Mr Jeremy Dunstan – Repair, renovation and change of use of disused agricultural building to holiday letting unit – Higher Carthew Farm, Carthew. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Davidson seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application. The building being of granite, it would however draw the applicant's attention to the guidance relating to the dangers of radon gas.*

PA12/08241 Mr and Mrs M Hampton – Variation of condition 9 attached to decision notice PA07/02041/F (Conversion of barn to form holiday accommodation and associated parking) relating to holiday/leisure purposes – Lower Porkellis Farm. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA12/08431 Mr Mark Bray – Erection of extension – 2 Rame Terrace, Rame Cross. Cllr Mitchell proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application. Wendron Parish Council draws the Planning Authority's attention to the very poor location plan supplied with this application and requests that greater attention to this detail is required at the validation stage.*

PA12/08519 Mr and Mrs Penaluna – Demolition of store and construction of extension – 2 Crelly Terrace, Crelly. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

### Decisions

PA10/03627 APPROVED (Conversion of redundant barns into three residential dwellings) – Jubilee, Carnkie – *noted*

PA10/06606 APPROVED (Installation of a free-standing solar array consisting of 21 Photo-voltaic panels - Retrospective application) – Trenethick Manor, Helston – *noted*

PA10/06974 APPROVED (Conversion of existing barn to single storey residential unit) – Butteriss Barn, Butteriss Farm, Edgcombe – *noted*

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PA10/07123 APPROVED (Construction of side and rear extension and relocation of an oil tank) – Sharwood, Lezerea, Porkellis – *noted*

**Correspondence**

**The Planning Inspectorate** notification that Rame Common shall be added to the Register of Common Land – *noted*

**11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE**

**Correspondence**

**Clerks and Councils Direct** newsletter and invitation to renew subscription @ £12 per annum – *noted*

**CCllr Hatton** copy of letter to CCllr Dr Jenkin concerning the proposed solar park at Little Trevease – *noted*

**Enfinity** revised community benefit offer – *noted*

**CC** temporary road closure B3297 Wendron to Trenear October 22 to October 26 1900 to 0700 – *noted*

**CC** temporary road closure Rows Lane October 29 to November 12 0730 to 1800 – *noted*

**Tony Mogford Associates** quarterly play area inspection at Carnkie (no new issues) – *noted*

**12 CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS**

The Chairman reported that she had no further comments.

**13 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AND INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS**

No matters for inclusion in future meetings were raised.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday November 12, 2012 at 7.30pm in Burras Community Hall.

Signed ..... Chairman

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