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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Wendron Parish held on Monday May 13, 2013 at 7.00pm in the Community Hall, Burras. Chairman of the Council, Cllr Mrs Warren, presiding, Mr C Chapman (Parish Clerk) in attendance.

Present: CCllr Dr Jenkin, Mr van den Berg, Mr Binnie Mr Gibson, Mrs Hook, Mr Millington Mr C.Mitchell, Mrs D.Mitchell, Mrs Moyle, Miss Nute, and Mr Tremayne. Other members of the public arrived during the course of the meeting.

The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Davidson.

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

It was agreed that the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday, May 14, 2012 were a true record at the meeting on June 11, 2012 when the Chairman signed them as such. Mrs Moyle proposed, Mr Mitchell seconded and it was agreed to adopt these minutes formally.

3 REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman, Cllr Mrs Warren, said

"Throughout the past year WPC has continued to go about its business in the usual quiet but diligent manner continuing to work with Parishioners keeping the Parish safe, clean and tidy.

"We have considered over 59 planning applications including several requesting permission for wind turbines and solar farms. These have often proved difficult and contentious, but as is always the policy of WPC regarding every planning application, no matter how complicated or basic the issue, each application is discussed and decided upon according to its individual merit.

"Following much discussion and work regarding WPC developing affordable housing within the Parish we came up against some problems which we were unable to resolve at the time. However, the project was only put on the back boiler and when and if the problems can be overcome the Parish Council may be able to consider a similar project in the future. In the meanwhile the project is being taken forward by Cornwall Rural Housing.

"We have built a bus shelter at Trevenen following discussion with residents, unfortunately we were given some inaccurate information from Cornwall Council and we will have to re site the shelter. This will be at Cornwall Council's expense and not Wendron Parish Council's.

"We have considered purchasing land at Carnkie, in the interest of maintaining the beauty and character of the village for the residents.

"As in previous years, the Parish Council has made donations to several local charities including the Cornwall Blind Society, The Royal British Legion, Trewennack Horticultural Show and The Cornwall Air Ambulance. In addition to this we have continued to contribute to the upkeep of cemeteries and grounds of chapels and churches within the Parish.

"As a requirement the Parish Council adopted the new Code of Conduct with the Clerk and some members of the Council attending relevant training. Councillor Davidson represents the Parish on the Helston Framework Committee and reports back to the council regularly.

"At the time of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee we presented all the Primary School and Nursery aged children with a commemorative mug and we were grateful to Councillor Andrew Tremayne who built and lit a Jubilee Beacon on his land.

"Throughout the year we have continued to work with our ward councillor Dr Loveday Jenkin who has kept us updated on the deliberations of Cornwall Council and not only has she represented the thoughts of WPC but she has also endeavoured to resolve issues from within the Parish from enforcement to footpaths, flooding. and recycling More recently she has managed to arrange a much awaited and overdue meeting regarding road safety and related issues at Trewennack.

"The speed visor at Rame continues to be discussed and there are ongoing dialogues with Highways regarding its effectiveness.

"As usual we have also continued to work with our local PCSO who has kept us updated with the criminal activities within the Parish and made us aware of how to help the Police by reporting anything out of the ordinary or suspicious. We thank the Police for their support and input.

"Throughout the year we have ensured that the footpaths are regularly and well maintained and have been proactive in responding to any reported problems from members' of the public.

"There is no doubt that Wendron Parish Council is very fortunate to have the input of their well qualified and hard-working Clerk, Colin Chapman. He works diligently to keep Wendron Parish Council on the right track, working hard to meet the needs of all its Parishioners and meet ordinary and extra-ordinary requests as they arise. We would like to publicly thank him for his hard work.

"Finally I express my grateful thanks to all Parish Councillors for their continued hard work and good humour."

4 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO MARCH 31, 2013

The Clerk presented the Financial Report for the year 2012 – 2013. In brief, this showed that Wendon Parish Council had started the year with a reserve of £26,901.87 and ended it with a reserve of £37,962.60 The Clerk reported that the Internal Auditor (Peter Richards, formerly KDC Chief Auditor) had signed off the accounts and that they have been forwarded to the External Auditor.

The Chairman concluded the meeting by asking parishioners present if they had any questions or views about the actions of the Parish Council.

No questions were raised.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed.

Agreed for accuracy at the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on June 10, 2013

Chairman

Formally adopted at the Annual Parish Meeting on May 12, 2014

Chairman