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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday July 18, 2016 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

**Present**: Cllr Mrs S.Moyle (Chairman) Cllr Mrs Mitchell

Cllr van den Berg
Cllr P.Davidson
Cllr Mrs S.Neary
Cllr Mrs M.Warren

Clr G.Gibson

Cllr P.Mather Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors to the meeting: CCllr Dr Jenkin.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the July meeting.

#### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Denton, Cllr Ferris, Cllr Maddern, Cllr Mrs Hampson, Cllr Mitchell and Cllr Tremayne sent their apologies for absence.

## 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

# in items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

## of gifts (received as a result of being a member of the Council) of a value greater than £25

There were no declarations of gifts of a value greater than £25.

# 3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, (Cllr Davidson and Cllr Gibson who were absent from the last Meeting, abstained) all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday June 13, 2016 should be adopted as a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

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

It was noted that the lane up to the Village Hall in Carnkie is in sore need of repair. The Clerk undertook to contact the owner of the properties being built higher up the lane.

A member of the public had reported that Bridleways 85 and 95 need trimming out: members noted that the recent weather patterns had resulted in heavy growth and that the Parish Council's contractor is gradually working his way along the Public Rights of Way.

# 5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that

- members of the Strategic Planning Committee had voted with the Highway Officer's recommendation to allow a new exit for up to 900 cars on to A393 from the HX1 site and therefore against Wendron's strongly expressed reservations. She herself remains concerned that this access will cause problems in the future
- a full Council meeting tomorrow will debate proposals to make the transitional State Pension arrangements for women born in the 1950s fairer and to condemn racist and xenophobic abuse
- a review of Cornwall's method of governance is currently taking place: it seeks an answer as to whether Cornwall should be governed by a leader and a cabinet, an elected mayor or to return to the Committee system
- the Local Plan is reaching the final stage of consultation and it is hoped that Cornwall will be in a position to adopt it in November

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• the end-of-term concert at Halwin School was nothing short of excellent. It lasted nearly two hours and the children's performances did credit to the school. She offered her congratulations to all concerned.

#### 6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Both Mr and Mrs Borman and Mr and Mrs Brockbank sought the Council's support for their respective planning applications.

#### 7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

# **Neighbourhood Plans**

Cllr Mrs Warren reported that she is awaiting the business Survey from Cllr Denton. Cllr Mather reported that he has completed his training in Neighbourhood Planning and will make a written report available to those attending the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plans advisory committee.

# **August meeting**

Members considered whether or not to hold a Parish Council meeting during the month of August. It was noted that last year there had been no meeting during August when there had been very little other than planning and financial matters to be considered. Cllr Mather proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, Cllr Gibson against, two members abstaining, all others in favour that Wendron Parish Council should not meet during the month of August 2016

Members considered awarding delegated powers to the Chairman and the Clerk to deal with day-to-day matters relating to the Parish Council during the month of August 2015. Following discussion, Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, all others in favour that the Chairman and the Clerk should have delegated powers to deal with day-to-day matters relating to the Parish Council during the month of August 2016.

## 8 PARISH MATTERS

## Gateways at Rame/Edgcumbe

The Clerk reported that Mr Tripconey has offered a number of granite boulders to Wendron Parish Council. It was agreed that before there is any further discussion about gateways the Clerk should meet with Ben Dickinson of Cornwall Highways and ascertain whether or not granite boulders may be placed on the road-side to indicate the entrance to a village.

# **Telephone boxes**

Members noted that the replacement door frame for the box at Porkellis has yet to be fitted. It was further noted that the contractor had not cleaned up after painting the box at Carnkie. It was agreed that the Council should look for someone in Carnkie who is willing to take day-to-day care of the telephone box.

#### The land at Carnkie

Members had already noted that Mr Tripconey has offered a number of granite boulders to Wendron Parish Council: it was suggested that a number of these boulders should be sited on the highway verge adjacent to the land at Carnkie to prevent access by unauthorised vehicular traffic. Once again the permission of the Highways Authority will have to be sought and the Clerk was asked to liaise with Ben Dickinson of Cornwall Highways .

## Road signs within the parish

Members noted the state of cleanliness of the majority of road-side signs within the parish. Following discussion it was agreed to ask one of the Council's contractors to wash them all off on an area by area basis immediately and to add it to the list of annual maintenance jobs. It was also noted that the fingerpost at the Douglas House corner in Penmarth needs repainting: the Clerk was asked to arrange for this to be done.

#### 9 FINANCE

The Clerk presented Members with a statement of Wendron Parish Council's financial position as at July 18, 2016. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

Members considered a request from Shelter for help with funding the cost of the work they do in Cornwall. It was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Mitchell, all others in favour that, under the terms of Section 142(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the sum of £75 be forwarded to Shelter to help fund their work in Cornwall.

The following accounts were presented for consideration

	GROSS	NET	VAT
Eric & Jeff Bray (Churchyard)	£ 144.00	£ 60.00	£ .12.00
L.A.Phillips and Son Ltd	£ 85.33	£71.11	£ 14.22
Harlequin Design	£ 14.40	£ 12.00	£ 2.40
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Grass in Churchyard	£ 190.00			
Grass in Churchyard	£ 60.00			
Trelill Well	£ 30.00			
Carnkie land clearance	£ 128.00			
	total	£ 489.60	£ 408.00	£ 81.60
Gareth Mitchell				
Open Areas x 2	£ 260.00			
Bus shelters x 2	£ 52.00			
Turf worn areas play area	£ 32.00			
River at Penmarth	£ 364.00			
	total	£ 708.00		
Colin Chapman				
Salary (June)	£ 1,086.86			
telephone	£ 20.24			
office expenses	£ 47.55			
travelling	£ 27.30			
use of home	£ 25.00			
	total	£ 1,206.95		

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

#### 10 PLANNING

# **Applications**

PA16/04479 Mrs B. and Mr A Borman – Conversion of a derelict agricultural barn into a 2 bedroom holiday let – Waterside, road from Penmarth to Carnkie. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mather seconded, two members abstaining and one member against all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation Despite the decision outlined in PA15/03725/PREAPP Wendron Parish Council does not believe that this block-built barn is worthy of retention and requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.

PA16/04706 Mr G Balcome – Permanent positioning of two stables and an extension to one – Higher Hendra, Wendron. Cllr Mather proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, one member abstaining and all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

PA16/04827 Mr C.Thomas – Proposed construction of a replacement garage – Harlyn, Burras. Cllr Mather proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, one member abstaining and all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

PA16/04953 Little T Solar Limited – Variation of condition 9 attached to decision notice PA12/04124 dated 26th October 2012 to allow for 5 years extension to the operational life of the solar farm. Replace the words "25 years and six months" with the words "30 years and six months" – Little Trevease, Trevease. Cllr Mather proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded, with one abstention and all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation Wendron Parish Council does not support this application. The existing solar farm blights the outlook of residents living in the vicinity who note that no effort whatsoever has been made by the company to lessen the impact on the landscape of this industrial concern. To permit a further five years operation means that even more residents will never see the return of the open landscape of the National Landscape Character Area of Carnmenellis. Wendron Parish Council requests the Planning Authority to refuse this application for variation of conditions.

PA16/05017 Mrs F.Symes – Two storey extension to North elevation – Higher Manhay Farm, Wendron. Cllr Mrs Neary proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, with one abstention and all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

PA16/05158 Mr and Mrs Brockbank – New build bungalow – land adjacent Meadow Court, Rame Croft. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, with one abstention and all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

PA16/05314 Mr and Mrs E.Rowe EJ and GE Rowe Partnership – Proposed animal and general purpose storage building – Trevilges Farm, Trewennack Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded, with one abstention and all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

PA16/05372 Mr Michael Faryluk – Non material amendment to allow for new design for approved change of use from agricultural barn to full time residential (original ref PA14/08268) – The Croft, White Alice Farm, Carnmenellis.

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Members noted that this application (which proposes a change of building material for the roof from metal to slate) has already been given permission.

PA16/05933 Mr N.Ward – Variation of conditions 3 and 4 in respect of planning approval PA13/10378 (Conversion of showroom along with extension to form residential ancillary use) in order to amend approved plans – Wendron Woodstoves, Mallow Court, Wendron. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Davidson seconded, with one abstention and all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

PA16/06327 Mr and Mrs C.Barden – First floor extension with balcony on the South East elevation – 2 Laity Cottages, Laity. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Neary seconded, with one abstention and all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

#### **Decisions**

PA16/00881 APPROVED – Proposed access (application for approval of reserved matter following outline approval PA14/07450 for up to 340 residential dwellings (including affordable homes), building for use for B1 offices and medical practice) – land West of Trewennack – *noted* 

PA16/05372 APPROVED – Non material amendment to allow for amended roof materials for approved change of use from agricultural barn to full time residential (original ref PA14/08268) – Merther Uny Chapel, Wendron – *noted* 

## 11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

**Halwin School** concerning progress with the polytunnel – noted

**Clerks and Councils Direct** newsletter – *noted* 

#### 12 CHAIRMAN'S AND COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS

Cllr Mather reported that the hollow in the ground beneath the climbing-frame at Carnkie has now been filled and re-turfed. The notices round the Recreation Ground need cleaning.

Cllr Davidson sought the Council's support for a letter from Sithney Parish Council to Cornwall Highways concerning the standard and height of cut of the hedgerows on the A394, and the B3297. It was agreed that the Clerk should write supporting Sithney Parish Council's complaint.

Cllr Mrs Neary asked if a letter might be sent to Coastline concerning the ugliness and brutality of the old play area site in Porkellis. The Clerk agreed to do this.

Reporting on the informal advisory group's meeting with the Cornwall Community Land Trust earlier in the day concerning the affordable housing at Rame Cross, Cllr Mrs Warren stated that

- there appear to be two outstanding issues with the plans
  - 1. the S106 agreement needs to be signed off and
  - 2. the planners are insisting that something is done about the footpath leaving the site. To further this obstruction, it was suggested that the Parish Council should support a crossing at the entrance to the estate and that a white-line footpath be established on the eastern side of the road
- a new contractor (a local firm from Truro) has expressed interest in construction, but there will still be a shortfall between the costs involved and the funds available. The answer may lie in the creation of two unfettered homes for rent which will only be made available to people with a local connection
- the CCLT is looking at installing community heating using natural gas
- the CCLT requires a letter of intent from the Parish Council concerning the future management of the Public Open space
- in order to save costs attributable to adoption, it is likely that the road will remain in the ownership of Coastline
- there is, perhaps, an opportunity to limit the initial local connection clause for people not living in the parish to a radius of one mile
- once permission has been granted, a further meeting for potential occupants and local people should, perhaps, be called

## 13 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

No items for inclusion in the next meeting were tabled

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