

# WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday, October 12, 2009 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr W.Hamilton (Chairman)	Cllr G.Gibson
	Cllr Mrs M.Warren	Cllr Mrs C.Lay
	Cllr M.Clayton	
	Cllr P.Davidson	C.F.P.Chapman (Clerk)

## Visitors:

The Chairman, Cllr Hamilton, welcomed members and visitors to the October meeting.

### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr van den Berg, Cllr Boase, Cllr Buxton, Cllr Mrs Mitchell, Cllr Mrs Moyle, PC Vaughan and PCSO Sadler sent their apologies for absence.

### 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Lay seconded all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, September 14, 2009 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 this agenda.

### 4 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Clayton stated that, on reflection and contrary to what he had said at the last meeting, he had decided to continue making a verbal report, but to limit its content to matters of immediate concern to the Parish of Wendron. Accordingly he reported that

- two recently published reports had highlighted serious shortcomings both in Cornwall's Social Services and in the postal voting process during the last election
- the draft budget for 2010/2011 is being prepared, but servicing the deficit (in excess of £500 million) left by the out-going County Council alone amounts to an increase of some 6-7% in the Council Tax. This will undoubtedly lead to some difficult decisions having to be made at County level: not least a loss of jobs and a cessation of non-mandatory services
- no money is available for use by the Community Networks and Parishes must begin to look inwards and to use the revenue they raise for the benefit of the immediate community
- a recent e-mail he had received from the Planning Department suggests that village boundaries are not a matter of concern in making planning decisions, a statement which he finds extraordinary
- he, together with Graeme Hicks (the Portfolio holder) and Andy James (Highways County Surveyor) will be touring the parish with a view to identifying areas where road-safety in particular might be improved.

### 5 POLICE REPORT

Through the Clerk, PC Vaughan reported that in September 2009 five crimes were reported to the police (one burglary and four thefts), which compares with the same number of crimes reported during the same period in 2008.

With the approach of Halloween, PC Vaughan asked parents to be aware when and if their children are involved in trick or treating: the police have asked businesses to exercise care when selling eggs or flour to youngsters.

## 6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

## 7 PARISH MATTERS

In view of the fact that the Council is now four members short of the required number, the co-option of Parish Councillors was considered. The Clerk reported that in the last month advertisements had been posted on the Parish Noticeboards and in the Helston Gazette inviting those eligible to apply for co-option but that no applications had been received. It was agreed that members should make every effort to encourage local people to apply and that a way of reducing the number of members of Wendron Parish Council should be investigated.

Members again considered the repair of the historic fingerpost at Penmarth. It was noted that the owner of the field had agreed that it could be moved further into the field to prevent damage from passing vehicles and also agreed that the Clerk should arrange for it to be repaired and restored.

Remembrance Sunday this year falls on November 8, 2009. It was agreed that the Chairman should lay a wreath on the War Memorial, that Cllr Clayton should read the lesson in Church and that Cllr Mrs Warren should read the names of the fallen.

## 8 FINANCE

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

		GROSS	NET	VAT
Eric and Jeff Bray		£ 115.00	£ 100.00	£ 15.00
Newsquest South-West		£ 71.30	£ 62.00	£ 9.30
Gareth Mitchell				
Open Areas	£ 90.00			
Churchyard	£ 96.00			
	total	£ 186.00		
RTS (Garden Services) Ltd				
(footpaths 33, 34, 45, 56,				
129, 145, 162, 165)		£ 391.97	£ 340.84	£ 51.13
Colin Chapman				
Salary (September)	£ 478.30			
telephone	£ 14.45			
office expenses	£ 44.71			
travelling	£ 73.66			
Clerks and Councils	£ 10.00			
use of home	£ 25.00			
	total	£ 646.12		

It was proposed by Cllr Hamilton, seconded by Cllr Davidson, all others in favour that the above five accounts be paid.

The following receipt was noted

Cornwall Council (balance of precept)	£12,000.00
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## 9 PLANNING

*Cllr Clayton declared an interest as a member of Cornwall Council's Planning Committee. He remained in the room, but took no part in either the discussion or the voting.*

### Applications

PA09/01118/F Mr A Dean – Erection of extensions and alterations to dwelling – Bodilly Mill, Crelly. Cllr Hamilton proposed, Cllr Davidson seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council supports this application.”

PA09/01157/F Mr R Young – Erection of a replacement dwelling – Boquoio Farm, Porkellis. Cllr Hamilton 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.”

*As a close neighbour, Cllr Mrs Warren declared an interest in the following application. She remained in the room but took no part in the discussion or the voting.*

PA09/01165/F Mr I Furniss – Erection of an extension to dwelling – Brenn Golow, Carnkie. Cllr Hamilton 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.”

*As a near neighbour, Cllr Davidson declared an interest in the following application. He remained in the room but took no part in the discussion or the voting.*

PA09/01174/F Mr & Mrs Matthews – Conversion of barn to form a dwelling and installation of a package treatment plant – Little Carnmenellis, Carnmenellis. Cllr Hamilton proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council notes that, although a Foul Drainage Assessment Form accompanying this application states that the nearest mains drainage system is at Stithians, in actual fact a mains sewer runs along the road which gives access to the site. Accordingly, Wendron Parish Council cannot support the installation of a package treatment plant on this site and requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.”

PA09/01224/LU Ms C Sears – Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use of land as a seasonal campsite – Lower Dacum Farm, Porkellis. Cllr Hamilton proposed and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “A member of Wendron Parish Council can confirm that this land has been used as a seasonal campsite for a period in excess of ten years.”

PA09/01228/F Mrs V Reed-Hall – Erection of a replacement extension to dwelling – Toad Hall, Wheal Enys Farm, Porkellis. Cllr Hamilton 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.”

PA09/01244/LU Mr M Sear – Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of land for the stationing of a residential caravan – Lakeside, Menherion. Cllr Hamilton proposed and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “A member of Wendron Parish Council can confirm that this land has been used for the stationing of a residential caravan for a period in excess of four years.”

*As Councillors who, up and until April 2007, had sat with the applicant on Wendron Parish Council, Cllr Davidson, Cllr Hamilton, Cllr Gibson and Cllr Mrs Warren declared a personal interest in the following application. All four Councillors remained in the room and discussed and voted on the application.*

PA09/01245/F Thorn Construction Ltd – Erection of a dwelling – Plot 2, Rame Farmhouse, Rame Cross. Cllr Hamilton proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council notes that outline consent on this site was approved for two dwellings both of which have since been completed. Planning Permission is now sought for the unfettered development of a third dwelling. The Council would therefore suggest that support should only be given to affordable/local needs housing. It draws the attention of the Planning Authority to the fact that part of the proposed dwelling lies outside the village boundary and notes problems relating to overlooking and privacy in adjoining dwellings which will be prejudicial to the reasonable enjoyment of those properties. For these reasons Wendron Parish Council requests that a decision on this application is made by the Planning Committee.”

PA09/01282/LBC Mr I Fitter – Listed Building Consent for the replacement of front door and windows to the front and rear of dwelling – Trelubbas Villa, Lowertown. Cllr Hamilton proposed, Cllr Davidson seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council supports this application.”

## **Decisions**

PA09/00799/F Conditional Permission for Development (erection of a wind turbine) – Carnebone Farm, Laity – *noted*

PA09/00961/F Conditional Permission for Development (retention and completion of a dwelling and installation of a sewage treatment plant) – Mount Joy Farm, Carnkie – *noted*

PA09/00962/RM Conditional Permission for Development (erection of an agricultural worker’s dwelling) – Higher Boquio Farm, Porkellis – *noted*

PA09/00927/LBC Refusal of Permission for Listed Building Consent (replacement of front door and windows to the front and rear of dwelling) – Trelubbas Villa, Lowertown\* – *noted*

**Correspondence**

CC PA09/00956/F erection of an agricultural building at Higher Bodilly Farm, Crelly will be decided by the Planning Committee on September 29 – *noted*

**10 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Andy Mead of Cornwall Council, who is responsible for the maintenance of closed churchyards and that, as long as certain conditions are met, Cornwall Council will make an initial grant of £750 per annum towards this work. The Clerk was asked to seek quotations from suitably qualified contractors.

**Correspondence**

CC review of Designated Public Places Orders 2009 / 2010 (consumption of alcohol in public places) invitation to submit areas for inclusion – *noted*

**University of Plymouth** newsletter, thanks for participation in survey and drawing attention to results published on [www.sustainableparish.com](http://www.sustainableparish.com) – *noted*

**BT** invitation to purchase the telephone kiosks at Penmarth and at Rame for £1 each (the telephone equipment will be removed) – *the Clerk reported that he has asked BT a number of questions about this offer and it was agreed to discuss the matter further at the meeting in November*

**Cornwall Air Ambulance** acknowledgement of and thanks for donation – *noted*

**Cornwall Blind Association** update on the use to which funding has been put – *noted*

**Keep Safe** Event posters – *noted*

**West Cornwall Leisure** Out there programme of events – *noted*

**Cornwall Council** Town & Parish Council Newsletter – *noted*

**11 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

The Chairman reported that he had attended the re-dedication of the War Memorial plaques at St Andrew's, Pencoys. It had been a moving service and he had felt honoured to represent the Parish Council. He had turned down an invitation to attend a Civic Service at Porthleven because he had felt it inappropriate in view of the distance involved. He asked about badges or chains of office for such occasions and Cllr Mrs Warren said that she would pass the Chairman of Wendron Parish Council's Badge on to him and apologised for omitting to do so earlier. Finally he said that he had had a telephone conversation with a gentleman who is hoping to build and open a shop in Penmarth and who has offered to donate some land for a play area. The Chairman added that he had invited him to attend the Parish Council meeting and to expand his ideas at greater length there.

**12 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS.**

No matters for inclusion at future meetings were tabled.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary Parish Meeting will be held on Monday November 9, 2009 at 7.30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

Signed.....Chairman

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