

# WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday, February 15, 2010 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

**Present:** Cllr Mrs M.Warren (Vice-Chairman) Cllr Mrs C.Lay  
Cllr M.Clayton Cllr Mrs S.Moyle  
Cllr P.Davidson  
Cllr G.Gibson C.F.P.Chapman (Clerk)

**Visitors:** Mr Costa Hadji-Argyris (the Area Manager for South West Lakes' Trust), PCSO Sadler and Miss M.Weston.

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr Mrs Warren, took the chair and welcomed members and visitors and in particular Mr Costa Hadji-Argyris to the February meeting.

Mr Hadji-Argyris stated that

- South West Lakes Trust has obtained quotations for the construction of a car-park at the south-eastern corner of the reservoir
- these quotations are in the region of £5,000 – £6,000
- plans for the car-park have yet to be presented to the Planning Authority
- for the coming year, the management fee the Trust receives from South West Water for the work it undertakes has been reduced by 20%
- consequently, the Trust is working to a very tight budget.

Cllr Clayton warned members that Highways may express concerns about vehicles exiting a car-park at this point on the road. He also told members that he had organised a meeting with Mr Costa Hadji-Argyris, Mr Colin Bayes (Cornwall's Countryside Officer for the area) and the Clerk at midday on March 5 at the Watersports Centre and added that he may be able to access a grant from Cornwall Council for this project.

The Chairman thanked Mr Hadji-Argyris for coming and for the work he has undertaken within the parish.

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Hamilton, Cllr Boase and Cllr Buxton both sent their apologies for absence.

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cllr Clayton proposed, Cllr Davidson seconded, Cllr Mrs Lay who was absent from the last meeting abstained, all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, January 21, 2010 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 in this agenda.

## 4 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Clayton stated that

- Cornwall Council's budget for the coming financial year is due to be set tomorrow and will create a demand of £1,445 on a Band D house – a rise of 2.9% which is in line with inflation

- the first of the Community Network meetings will be held on Wednesday February 17 at 7:00pm in Helston Community College
- Wendron Parish Council might like to consider further provision of Affordable Housing in Sustainable Settlements. The Clerk has up-to-date information about first time entry to housing in the rural area
- the new Cornwall Car Parking Order proposes a reduced fee for the first hour of parking
- his Community Grant pot for the coming year has been set at £2,195 and any money not spent can be rolled over to following years
- additionally he has access to £8,000 for work on the Highways
- he is seeking to divide these grants equally between the three parishes he represents
- the Chair of Cornwall Council, Cllr Mrs Harvey, has invited members to join her on the evening of March 3 affording them the opportunity to meet Councillors, Officers and Directors
- as previously reported, he has arranged a meeting at Stithians Watersports Centre to discuss ways forward with the proposed car-park at the south-eastern end of Stithians Lake.

## **5 POLICE REPORT**

PCSO Sadler reported that in January 2010 a single crime, that of criminal damage to a motor vehicle, was reported to the police, which compares with six crimes reported during the same period in 2009. She added that the incidence of crime in the area remains low and that over a third of all crimes committed are detected. In the league tables, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly features at 6<sup>th</sup> place on the list for the detection of crimes and at 1<sup>st</sup> place for the reduction in crime.

A Police And Communities Together (PACT) meeting will be held at Halwin School from 9:00am to 10:00am on Monday March 1, 2010.

## **6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mrs Weston said how very pleased she is that the footpath across Porkellis Moor is now walkable (although very wet). She also expressed her pleasure that footpath 51 is cleared, though she added that she believes the stiles are set a little high. She requested that footpath 50 (a bronze path) is cleared.

## **7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS**

Members again discussed the question of the co-option of Parish Councillors to fill the four vacant places. They noted that the Lord Kitchener style advertisement created by the Clerk and placed on the parish notice-boards has produced no result. Cllr Clayton stated that he had spoken to Charlotte Chadwick, the Community Network Manager, who had undertaken to improve on the Clerk's advertisement, to print it in sufficient numbers for a copy to be delivered to every home in the parish and to distribute them using the PCSOs. Cllr Clayton suggested that they might be accompanied by a copy of the Wendron Walks booklet, which members thought would be a good idea.

## **8 PARISH MATTERS**

Members agreed to consider part-funding the development of a car-park at the south eastern end of Stithians Lake at the next meeting of the Parish Council which will be after the meeting Cllr Clayton has arranged with representatives of the South West Lakes Trust and Cornwall Council.

Cllr Mrs Warren proposed that the Parish Council should add doors to the open sides of the parish notice-boards where, at the moment and all too frequently, inappropriate notices are displayed and what is appropriate quickly becomes wet and illegible. She suggested that a note with the name and contact details of the person responsible for an individual notice-board should be added so that potential users of the community side would still have access to the board. Cllr Gibson stated that he had constructed a door which he could add to the board in Penmarth and that the Council might like to consider trialling this addition before making a lasting decision. On behalf of members, the Chairman thanked Cllr Gibson for his work and it was agreed that he should add the door to the board in Penmarth and that the Parish Council would consider the matter further at the next meeting.

The Clerk reported that he is still no further forward with contacting the Community Payback team concerning clearance of the open access land on Calvadnack Hill. Cllr Davidson expressed his belief that if the land is to be cleared at public expense it should be kept cleared and the money not wasted.

## **8 FINANCE**

Members considered a request from Edgcombe Methodist Chapel for financial help towards the upkeep of the cemetery. It was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moyle, 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 Edgcombe Methodist Chapel for help towards the cost of the upkeep of the cemetery.

Members considered a request from Marie Curie Cancer Care in Truro for help with funding the cost of a Marie Curie Nurse. It was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moyle, all others in favour that, under the terms of Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, the sum of £50 be forwarded to Marie Curie Cancer Care in Truro for help towards the cost of a Marie Curie Nurse.

Members considered a request from Wendron Cricket Club for payment of the grant awarded to the Club in April 2009 by Kerrier District Council for help with funding the cost of an all-weather surface. Members noted that this particular project is not the project for which the grant was originally awarded, that the application for payment is seven months late in coming and that the terms of the grant required the money to revert to Wendron Parish Council in its entirety in the event that the Club was unsuccessful in its bid for funding for the initial project. Accordingly, Cllr Clayton proposed and it was agreed that Wendron Parish Council should not accede to Wendron Cricket Club's request. However, members noted that the Parish Council may have a moral obligation in the matter and, for that reason, agreed to consider a future request for help with funding the cost of an all-weather surface at the Club. Such a request must include all relevant documentation (copies of two competitive quotations, annual accounts and details of any grant funding received or offered).

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

	GROSS	NET	VAT
Treweath Engineering (Penmarth signpost)	£ 650.90	£ 566.00	£ 84.90

Cllr Clayton stated that he felt that the Council had been at fault not to obtain two competitive quotations for this work and suggested that this account should not be paid until an invoice detailing the breakdown of the costs involved in the work done had been received. Members noted that the work had been authorised by the Parish Council, that it has been completed very satisfactorily and that the invoice has now been received for payment. Following further discussion, Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded Cllr Clayton and Cllr Gibson abstained all others in favour that this account be paid.

Colin Chapman			
Salary (January)	£ 482.40		
telephone	£ 21.75		
office expenses	£ 35.41		
travelling	£ 37.94		
wood for signs	£ 25.58		
use of home	£ 25.00		
	total	£ 628.08	

It was proposed by Cllr Clayton, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moyle, all others in favour that this account be paid.

The following receipt was noted

Mr Godfrey (booklet)	£ 5.00
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## 9 PLANNING

### Applications

*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.*

PA10/00045/FD Mr P.Ellsley – Continued use of premises without compliance with Condition 3 of Decision Notice Number PA05/00543/F dated 27 June 2000 relating to holiday use – The Barn, Higher Manhay Farm, Wendron. Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council believes that Condition 3 of Decision Notice Number PA05/00543/F dated 27 June 2000 relating to holiday use should either be enforced or removed altogether and therefore does not support this application.”

*As a neighbour of the applicant, Cllr Mrs Warren declared a personal interest in the following application.*

PA10/00054/F Mrs J.Mann – Erection of an agricultural building – Mount Pleasant, Carnkie. Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council notes that this application is for a very large agricultural building but will defer to the considered opinion of County Land Agent in the matter.”

PA10/00066/F Mr D Gilbert – Extension to dwelling – Kenap Cottage, Burras, Wendron. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Davidson seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council supports this application.”

PA10/00067/F Cornwall Council – Erection of an agricultural building – Bodilly Wartha Farm, Crelly. Cllr Mrs Lay proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation “Wendron Parish Council will defer to the considered opinion of County Land Agent in the matter.”

*As a friend of the applicants, Cllr Mrs Moyle declared a personal interest in the following application. She took no part in either the discussion or the voting.*

PA10/00106/F Mr & Mrs M Mitchell – Extension and alterations to roof of dwelling – The Farmhouse, Rame Barton, Rame. Cllr Mrs Lay 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.”

### **Decisions**

PA09/01159/F Notice of Refusal for Development (conversion of redundant agricultural buildings to form two holiday lets and installation of a septic tank) – Burnt House Farm, Porkellis – *noted*

PA09/01525/F Notice of Conditional Permission for Development (two storey extension and alterations to dwelling) – The Haven, Lowertown – *noted*

### **Correspondence**

CC copy of correspondence to Mr and Mrs Bambury, South Calvadnack Farm – *it was agreed that the Clerk should write to the Planning Authority requesting that planning permission is sought for any replacement generator at Little White Alice*

CC Notification of appeal against the Planning Authority’s decision to refuse permission for Listed Building Consent for the replacement of front door and windows to the front and rear of dwelling at Trelubbas Villa, Lowertown (Wendron Parish Council supported this application) – *noted*

## **10 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council will take on responsibility for the maintenance of the churchyard at Wendron with effect from April 1, 2010. Payment from Cornwall Council for the work will be claimed and paid in December and the working arrangement will be reviewed by both parties in February 2011.

The Clerk reported that formal notices claiming Common Land designation for Rame Common, Carnkie Common and land to the west of Viscar Common under the terms of The Commons Act 2000 have been published locally and in the press by Cornwall Council.

### **Correspondence**

NSPCC promoting awareness of the Helpline – *noted*

CALC invitation to the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Saturday February 20 at New County Hall – *noted*

Cornwall Deaf Association request for individuals to serve as Trustees – *noted*

CC Public Path Diversion Order Footpath 96 at Rame Cross – *noted*

CC copy of the proposed *The Fouling of Land by Dogs (Cornwall) Order 01/201* and *The Dogs on Leads by Direction (Cornwall) Order 01/201* – *noted*

CC invitation from Cllr Mrs Harvey inviting all Town and Parish Councils to County Hall on Wednesday March 3, 2010 at 7:00pm, so she can meet them and give them an opportunity to meet councillors, officers and directors – *noted*

## **11 CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS**

The Chairman reported that for the year just gone, Wendron Silver Band’s accounts show a surplus of income over expenditure of £347.75

## **12 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 March 8, 2010 at 7.30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

Signed.....Chairman

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