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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday, April 12, 2010 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

Present: Cllr W.Hamilton (Chairman) Cllr P.Davidson

Cllr Mrs M.Warren (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr G.Gibson
Cllr N.van den Berg
Cllr M.Boase
Cllr Mrs C.Lay
Cllr Mrs S.Moyle

Cllr J.Buxton

Cllr M.Clayton C.F.P.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors: PC Vaughan, PCSO Bell.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the April meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Mrs Mitchell sent her apologies for absence.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Lay seconded, Cllr Clayton and Cllr Hamilton who were absent from the last meeting abstained, all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, March 8, 2010 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

3 MATTERS ARISING AND NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE IN THIS AGENDA

The Clerk reported that, in answer to the question concerning the expense incurred by Wendron Parish Council for new road signage at Farms Common, Mr Andy James (Cornwall Council's Regional Engineer) had undertaken to look into the matter. It was suggested that rather than seek any return of monies, Cornwall Council might be persuaded to undertake work to an equivalent value on behalf of the Parish Council.

4 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCIIr Clayton reported that Cornwall Council is awaiting the result of the general election when the financial implications (and the cost of providing services) for the county may become clearer. Major concerns remain however, chief of which is the cost of the on-going public enquiry into the future disposal of domestic waste. Whatever the outcome of this enquiry, it is likely to cost Cornwall Council in the region of £200million and no provision has been made for this in the 2010-2011 budget.

5 POLICE REPORT

PC Vaughan reported that in March 2010 five crimes (an assault, a burglary, two thefts and an incidence of criminal damage) were reported to the Police. The PACT (Partners and Communities Together) surgery which was held recently at Halwin School had identified no concerns.

PC Vaughan warned that the advent of better weather has brought about an increase in thefts of garden implements and granite mushrooms. He warned residents to be careful and to keep sheds locked.

Cllr Clayton noted that, yet again, an accident had resulted in the closure of the A394 with the consequence that drivers were forced to find their own way through the surrounding narrow lanes. He asked if diversion signs might be displayed immediately a problem arises. PC Vaughan explained that County Highways will

only attend if a road is closed for longer than two hours and that in the interim period the Devon and Cornwall Police Force does not have sufficient manpower to direct traffic along suitable alternative routes.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Once again, Members reported that they had been unsuccessful in persuading candidates to put themselves forward for co-option. It was agreed to publish a list of Councillors' names and addresses on the notice-boards thus, possibly, making them more accessible to parishioners; to seek Charlotte Chadwick's help in delivering an advertisement seeking volunteers to households throughout the Parish; to publish an advertisement for the coming Annual Parish Meeting in the press adding a sentence inviting interested parties to volunteer their services as a Councillor and to follow that up next month with an article for the press containing a report on the proceedings of the Annual Parish Meeting.

Members considered the appointment of a representative from Wendron Parish Council to attend the first meeting of the Local Council Planning Forum on Saturday June 19 in New County Hall. Following discussion it was agreed to re-visit this matter at the meeting in May. However, CCllr Clayton said that he expected to be present at these meetings and that he would willingly report on them.

8 PARISH MATTERS

Calvadnack Common

The Clerk reported that Cllr Mrs Warren and he together with Mr Geoff Richards from the Community Payback Team had visited Calvadnack Common. The Common is so overgrown, particularly near the hut circles, that Mr Richards had stated that the team would be unable to take on the clearance work. Nevertheless, if the Parish Council can arrange for the initial clearance to be done (which in Mr Richards' opinion will require the use of machinery) he suspects that the Payback Team will be able to take on the continuing maintenance. The Clerk was asked to seek ways of funding the initial clearance.

Noticeboards

Cllr Davidson reported that, as requested, he had asked a joiner who lives in Penmarth to quote for the addition of glazed doors to the four notice-boards which require them and that the Clerk had this quotation. It was agreed that two further quotations should be sought and a decision left to a later date.

Stithians Lake car-park

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Mr Costa Hadji-Argyris (the Area Manager for South West Lakes' Trust), but that no progress had been made towards submitting a planning application as yet.

9 FINANCE

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year April 1, 2009 – March 31, 2010. Cllr Clayton proposed, Cllr Hamilton seconded, all others in favour that, subject to audit by the Internal Auditor, Mr Peter Richards (former Senior Auditor with Kerrier District Council), Wendron Parish Council accepts the accounts for the year April 1, 2009 – March 31, 2010.

Members considered the Statement of Assurance required for the Annual Return for the year ended March 31, 2010. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Clayton seconded, all others in favour that Wendron Parish Council should answer "Yes" to each of the questions posed by the Statement of Assurance which forms part of the Annual Return for the year ended March 31, 2010.

Members considered an invitation from the Cornwall Association of Local Councils to renew membership for the year 2010 - 2011 in the sum of £462.92 +VAT Following discussion, Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Gibson seconded and it was agreed not to renew Wendron Parish Council's membership of the Cornwall Association of Local Councils for the coming year.

As a volunteer with Cruse Bereavement Care in Cornwall, Cllr Hamilton declared a personal interest in the following application for help with funding. He relinquished the chair, remained in the room but took no part in the discussion or the voting.

Cllr Mrs Warren assumed the Chair.

Members considered a request from Cruse Bereavement Care in Cornwall for financial help with support for bereaved people. Following discussion, Cllr Davidson proposed, Cllr Mrs Lay seconded and it was agreed that using the power of Section 142(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972 Wendron Parish Council should forward the sum of £50 to Cruse Bereavement Care in Cornwall.

Cllr Mrs Warren relinquished the Chair. Cllr Hamilton reassumed the Chair.

Members considered a request from Wendron Cricket Club for financial help towards the provision of an all-weather playing surface. Although a number of individual Councillors expressed reservations about this, it was proposed by Cllr Clayton, seconded by Cllr Hamilton, Cllr Mrs Moyle against all others in favour that, under the terms of S19(3)(a) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, the sum of £3,000 be forwarded to Wendron Cricket Club for financial help towards the provision of an all-weather playing surface. Members noted that this donation concludes the undertaking entered into between Wendron Parish Council and Kerrier District Council.

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

			(GROSS	NET	,	VAT
CC Rates demand (cemetery)			£	9.21			
Cllr G.Gibson (materials)			£	31.00	£ 27.39	£	3.61
Information Commissioner			£	35.00			
Eric & Jeff Bray (cemetery)			£	58.75	£ 50.00	£	8.75
Tony Mogford Associates Ltd			£	176.25	£ 150.00	£	26.25
Burras Community Hall			£	232.50			
Colin Chapman							
Salary (March)	£	482.60					
telephone	£	20.60					
office expenses	£	35.99					
travelling	£	73.10					
use of home	£	25.00					
		total	£	537.29			

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

The following receipts were noted

CC LMP payment	£ 208.96
CC Precept 1 st instalment	£ 12,250.00
R.W.Taylor (Walks booklet)	£ 5.00

10 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.

PA09/01589/F Mr J.Hall – Demolition of external store and erection of domestic garage – land opposite 6 Polhigey Terrace, Carnmenellis. 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."

PA10/00243/F Mr R.M.Jourdan & Mrs H.G.J.Meyrick – Dormer extension to dwelling (amended plans) – North Calvadnack, Polgear. 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 neighbour of the applicant, Cllr Boase declared a personal interest in the following application. He remained in the room but took no part in the discussion or the voting.

PA10/00255/F Miss L.Williams – Erection of a local needs dwelling with integral garage – land at Trevenen Farm, Trevenen. Cllr Hamilton proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation "Wendron Parish Council supports this application in the light of the emerging hamlet policy."

PA10/00258/F Cornwall Council – Formation of access ramp, raised playground, erection of canopy and installation of doorway – Halwin School, Porkellis. Cllr Hamilton proposed, Cllr Buxton seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation "Wendron Parish Council supports this application."

PA10/00304/LU Ms G Brandreth – Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of land for stationing of a residential caravan – The Barn, Halwin Lane Farm, Porkellis. It was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation "Wendron Parish Council as a body cannot state definitively that the

caravan stationed on this land has been lived in continuously for a period in excess of four years. However, the Vice-Chairman (as an individual) testifies to the fact that it has been lived in continuously for a period in excess of four years."

PA10/00333/F Mrs L.Green – Erection of a local needs dwelling – Lorna's Lane, Carnkie. Cllr Mrs Warren proposed, Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation "Wendron Parish Council would be supportive of a local needs dwelling on this site, but would bow to the balanced judgement of the planning authority as to whether or not planning permission should be fettered."

Decisions

PA09/01036/LU Notice of Refusal of Certificate of Lawfulness (existing use of land for the stationing of a residential caravan) – Moorfield, East Calvadnack – The Clerk was asked to write to the Planning Authority seeking the reasons behind the decision for refusal and for an indication of what the Authority plans to do next in the way of enforcement (it could mean that an elderly couple are forced out of what has been their home for some years, sent to a retirement home and possibly separated)

PA09/01100/F Notice of Conditional Permission for Development (erection of pre-school and community building, formation of pedestrian access and additional parking and installation of a septic tank) – Wendron Church of England Primary School – *noted*

PA10/00054/F Notice of Conditional Permission for Development (erection of an agricultural building) – Mount Pleasant, Carnkie – noted

Correspondence

CC West Sub-Area Planning Committee meeting March 23, 2010 – noted

CC West Sub-Area Planning Committee Meeting 2:00pm Tuesday April 13, 2010 Dolcoath Avenue

CC PA10/00333/F description amended from 'Erection of a local needs dwelling' to 'Erection of a dwelling'

11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

Audit Commission confirmation of the appointment of Mr Wayne Rickard as the external auditor – *noted* **CAB Cornwall** acknowledgement of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Carnmenellis Churchyard Preservation Trust acknowledgement of and thanks for donation – *noted*

CC copy of letter of objection from Mrs Major and Mr Cooper concerning the registration of Carnkie Common as Common Land – *noted*

CC copy of letter of objection from Mr Robins concerning the registration of the continuation of Viscar Common as Common Land – *noted*

CC reply to letter concerning play areas in Cornwall and Wendron – noted

Tony Mogford Associates Ltd Annual inspections of playgrounds and play equipment – *noted*

Rev'd David Miller thanks for Wendron Parish Council's initiative concerning the maintenance of the closed churchyards – *noted*

Cornwall Council Confirmation of Public Path Diversion Order relating to footpath 96 over land at Rame Cross – *noted*

CC Parliamentary Elections map showing new parliamentary constituencies – noted

CC Minerals & Waste Planning Policy – noted

CC Town and Parish Council newsletter (March) – noted

CC Cornwall Countryside Access Forum – annual recruitment 2010 – noted

SITA Pool MRF Environmental statement booklet 01 August 2008 – 31 July 2009 – noted

CC acknowledgement of receipt of letter in response to Mr Robins' objection to registration as Common Land of the waste land of a manor known locally as Viscar Common – *noted*

CC acknowledgement of receipt of letter in response to Mrs Major's and Mr Cooper's objection to registration of Common Land of the waste land of a manor known locally as Carnkie Common – *noted*

Groundwork Southwest The Green Teams – *noted*

CC Building Control Services newsletter – *noted*

Tony Mogford Associates Carnkie Play Area Safety Inspection and Risk Assessment identifying a single high risk issue, that of the single entrance – *noted*

12 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

The Chairman said that he proposed pressing ahead with the creation of two or three informal committees composed of interested members with the remit to examine matters such as finance and planning at a greater depth than the full council is able to do in open meeting.

Stating that it was a matter of great regret for him personally, the Chairman announced his intention as the result of extraneous demands on his time to resign from Wendron Parish Council following the Annual Meeting. Members were unanimous in their praise for the work he has done both as an individual Councillor and as the Chairman and urged him to re-consider.

13 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

No further matters for inclusion at future meetings were tabled.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING		
Annual Parish Meeting - Monday May 10, 20	010 at 7:00pm in	Community Hall, Burras
Annual Meeting - Monday May 10, 2010 foll	lowing the Annua	al Parish Meeting in Community Hall, Burras
SignedCh	nairman	Date