

WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday December 8, 2014 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

Present:	Cllr Mrs M.Warren (Chairman)	Cllr C.Mitchell
	Cllr N.van den Berg	Cllr Mrs S.Moyle
	Cllr P.Davidson	Cllr Mrs M.Nute
	Cllr R.Ferris	Cllr A.Tremayne
	Cllr G.Gibson	Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors to the meeting: CCllr Dr Jenkin.

Wishing those present a very happy Christmas, the Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the December meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Mrs Hampton, Cllr Mrs Hook, Cllr Mrs Mitchell, Cllr Maddern and Cllr Mrs Radbone 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 Moyle proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded, (Cllr Davidson, Cllr Gibson and Cllr Mrs Nute, who were absent from the last Meeting, abstained) all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday November 10, 2014 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

4 MATTERS ARISING AND NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE IN THIS AGENDA

No matters were raised which were not covered in the agenda.

6 POLICE REPORT

There was no report from the Police.

5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that

- she had attended the planning appeal concerned with the construction of two houses on land at Lowertown. It was her belief that the Planning Officer's defence of the Authority's decision to refuse permission had not been as robust as it might have been: in particular, the ecological report presented by the applicant had been shallow and the Helston Town Framework document referred to had been a draft rather than the final version
- the HX1 application which the Parish Council will consider this evening is a new application which, although it mirrors the original application in every detail, must be treated as a new application. She had attended the recent public meeting at Helston School at which the proposals had been on show, but reported that it was apparent that no-one present had been in favour: rather they had expressed concerns about the development's impact on Rows Lane and on that corner of Helston

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- the planning application for the conversion of the goat shed at Little Menherion will, somewhat surprisingly, be decided by the Planning Committee. Wendron Parish Council had supported the application, as had many local people. CCLr Dr Jenkin was asked to represent the views of Wendron Parish Council at the meeting
- the recent meeting with Highways' officers at Edgcumbe had proved useful in letting the department know the strength of feeling within the Parish, but the lack of money means that there is little that can be done in the immediate future. It is imperative that the aspirations of the Parish are incorporated in the new Local Transport Plan
- the best news is that, as part of a pilot scheme and before the end of the present financial year, average speed cameras will be fitted in Trewennack. Clearly, this initiative will make a huge difference to residents of the village.

7 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

8 PARISH MATTERS

Creation of a Neighbourhood Plan

It was agreed to keep this matter under review.

The replacement of the matting underneath the swings at Carnkie

The Clerk reported that earlier in the day he had met with a representative from Wickstead and that she will forward a quotation for the repair of the matting safety surfaces in the play area at Carnkie in time for the January meeting.

The purchase of a defibrillator

The Clerk reported that the defibrillator is now in place.

The purchase of a notice-board for Edgcumbe

The Clerk reported that the notice-board is now in place.

9 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Co-option of a Councillor

The Clerk reported that he has received no further expression of interest in standing for co-option as a Parish Councillor.

Dates of Parish Council meetings 2015/2016

Members agreed that, unless there are pressing reasons for change, the dates and places for meetings of the Parish Council in 2015 – 2016 will be as follows

January 12, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
February 9, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
March 9, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
April 13, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
May 11, 2015	Annual Parish Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
May 11, 2015	Annual Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
June 8, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
July 20, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
September 14, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
October 12, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
November 9, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
December 14, 2015	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
January 11, 2016	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras
February 8, 2016	Ordinary Meeting	Community Hall, Burras

All meetings will begin at 7.30pm

Co-option of a Councillor

The Clerk reported that no further expression of interest in standing for co-option as a Parish Councillor has been received.

Weed treatment on pedestrian surfaces in Rame, Carnkie and Porkellis

Members considered an offer from Cormac to spray the weeds on pedestrian surfaces in Rame, Carnkie and Porkellis in the sum of £756.00 + VAT. Following a short discussion it was agreed not to accept this offer.

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10 FINANCE

The Clerk presented Members with a statement of Wendron Parish Council's financial position as at December 9, 2013. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Mrs Nute, seconded by Cllr Mitchell all others in favour that the Precept for the year 2015/2016 should be set at £26,500

Members considered a request from the Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust for financial help with on-going costs. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Warren, all others in favour that the sum of £250.00 be forwarded to the Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust under the terms of Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Members considered a request from the Cornwall Blind Association for financial help with on-going costs. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Nute, all others in favour that the sum of £50.00 be forwarded to the Cornwall Blind Association under the terms of Section 142(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Members considered a request from the Trewennack Golden Club for financial help with on-going costs. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Warren, all others in favour that the sum of £100.00 be forwarded to the Trwennack Golden Club under the terms of Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Members noted receipt of the 2014 - 2016 National Salary Award (new pay scales for Clerks)

The following accounts were presented for consideration

		GROSS	NET	VAT
HMRC		£ 758.00		
Eric and Jeff Bray		£ 72.00	£ 60.00	£ 12.00
Bear Joinery		£ 232.37		
R.Sanders (Churchyards (05/11))		£ 190.00		
Colin Chapman				
Salary (November)	£ 1,010.61			
telephone	£ 19.43			
office expenses	£ 48.50			
travelling	£ 10.95			
Clerks and Councils	£ 12.00			
use of home	£ 25.00			
	total	£ 1,126.49		

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

The following receipts were noted

CC LMP repayment	£ 4,957.00
Robert Lawrence (memorial)	£ 75.00
Robert Lawrence (additional inscription)	£ 30.00

11 PLANNING

Applications

PA14/11142 Jackamax Ltd – Outline application for up to 340 residential dwellings (including affordable homes), building for use for B1 offices and medical practice, means of access and all other matters reserved – HX1 Helston Urban Extension Land West Of Trewennack. Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded, Cllr van den Berg against, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council feels that this proposal is for a disconnected, dormitory suburb located on the margin of Helston. The distance to the centre of town well exceeds the 800m advised in the Manual for Streets as the distance which residents may access comfortably on foot and the majority of residents of the proposed development will undoubtedly use privately-owned motorised transport to go about their day-to-day business, contrary to the constraints of the National Planning Policy Framework.*

No consideration has been given to the existing infrastructure of the immediate area. The road system struggles to cope with the number of vehicles already using it and there are further concerns associated with the supply of electricity, mains water and sewerage systems in this area of Helston. Furthermore, (and despite the applicant's

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proposals to alleviate the risk) residents of the neighbouring estate, who are aware of and who have suffered from flooding, express concerns about the very real threat of rain-water run-off from the hard surfaces of this proposed development.

Wendron Parish Council has been involved in the work which has led to the development of the Helston Town Framework which is designed to inform and guide development of the Town over the next twenty years. Following extensive local consultation this document favours the development of a site other than this.

Wendron Parish Council cannot support this proposal and therefore requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.

PA14/11333 Mr Mark Wrowe – Loft conversion and rear extension and associated works. Inclusion of a balcony at first floor level on the rear elevation – Innisidgen, Porkellis. Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Mrs Nute seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Although Wendron Parish Council has serious concerns about the potential for loss of privacy and light from neighbouring properties, it is prepared to support the application subject to the approval of the neighbours.*

Decisions

PA14/08268 APPROVED – New design for approved change of use from agricultural barn to full time residential – White Alice Farm, Carnmenellis – *noted*

PA14/08592 APPROVED – Proposed raising of roof on garage to form annexe – Greenacres, Wendron – *noted*

PA14/09161 REFUSED – Proposed Extension to Staff Accommodation to form Manager’s Accommodation – Wheal Dream, Wendron – *noted*

PA14/09261 S52/S106 and discharge of condition apps – Submission of details to discharge condition 4 in relation to PA04/01390/F – Rame Cross Cottage, Rame Cross– *noted*

PA14/09737 APPROVED – Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling – Polgear Cottage, Calvadnack – *noted*

PA14/10470 APPROVED – Lowering of kerb to provide access for parking – South View, Carnkie – *noted*

Correspondence

Cornwall Council re Conversion of existing goatshed to provide holiday accommodation and erection three holiday let buildings at Little Menherrion, Redruth – *noted*

12 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

Lowertown Community Group map of the village – *noted*

Environment Agency ‘I’m prepared for flooding’ pack – *noted*

Young People Cornwall offer to assist in meeting the needs of the young people in our community – *noted*

13 CHAIRMAN’S AND COUNCILLORS’ COMMENTS

Cllr Gibson drew members’ attention to a report he had received from a member of the community to the effect that she and others had cleared a section of PROW 124 and that a farmer had undertaken to clear the rest. This report was received at the same time as Wendron Parish Council had paid for trimming PROW 124.

14 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

No matters for inclusion on the agenda at future meetings were tabled.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Monday January 12, 2015 at 7.30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

Signed

Chairman

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