# WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday March 13, 2017 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras.

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

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

Visitors to the meeting: CCllr Dr Jenkin, Mr and Mrs Endean, Mr and Mrs Salkeld.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the March meeting.

#### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Mrs Hampton sent her apologies for absence.

#### 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

# in items on the agenda

Cllr Mrs Moyle declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9: a request from the Carnmenellis Churchyard Preservation Committee for financial help towards the upkeep of the cemetery.

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

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

#### 3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Cllr Mrs Mitchell proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded, (Cllr Ferris and Cllr Tremayne, who were absent from the last meeting, abstained) all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday February 13, 2017 should be adopted as a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

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

There were no matters arising which were not covered elsewhere in this agenda.

#### 5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that

- there is concern at Cornwall about future funding for the County in the wake of the United Kingdom's exit from Europe: this following an application for £127 million from the Government's Growth Fund and the subsequent award of £18 million. It appears that the bulk of Growth Funding has gone to areas where there are large businesses, this strategy clearly militates against smaller businesses and does not represent need
- in its submission to the Boundary Commission, Cornwall Council has recommended a future total of ninetynine Councillors
- the Sustainability and Transformation Plan will be debated by Cornwall Councillors at a meeting tomorrow. The Plan apparently recommends that more should be done with less money
- Cornwall is taking part in a pilot scheme which permits the County full retention of business rates. However Cornwall has no say in the rates charged and the central government grant will be cut accordingly
- recent road repairs on the A394 have led to numerous complaints, not least the fact that Carnkie was used as a rat-run by drivers hoping to escape the chaos

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- as the election looms, she will be knocking on doors seeking votes. To her knowledge there are two other candidates in the Crowan and Wendron Ward: an independent and a member of the Conservative party
- a recent Cornish Dance session at Halwin School had been very successful and the children's ability had much impressed her
- on Saturday afternoon, traditional Cornish Songs will be sung at Porkellis Village Hall. Attendees will be given the opportunity both to learn and to sing them

In answer to a questions, CCllr Dr Jenkin

- agreed that not only are there no restriction on the number of black bin-bags collected from individual domestic premises but also that the contents are not checked for business waste
- noted that the gateway to Nancrossa Solar Farm has not been reinstated (the Clerk was asked to report this)
- the kerb at Rame Cross has not been raised as promised. It is dangerous.

#### 6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Concerning PA17/01262 the erection of two dwellings at Trewennack, members were told that

- the proposed access makes its way across a dedicated bus stop lay-by
- the proposal represents an overdevelopment of the site
- there is a lack of garden space
- the finish is not in sympathy with the ashlar and granite of neighbouring dwellings
- the proposal represents an infill
- the houses are cottage style as required by the Planning Authority
- the exterior finish is in line with planners' recommendations
- the proposed access off the A394 will require the existing hedge to be lowered to a height of 1.9m and is acceptable to the Highways' Authority.

The Chairman proposed and it was agreed to consider Agenda item 9 at this stage of the meeting.

#### 9 PLANNING

#### **Applications**

PA17/01262 Mr and Mrs Endean – Erection of two dwellings – Land SW of Meadowside Trewennack. Cllr Tremayne proposed, Cllr Mrs Neary seconded, two members abstaining all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

PA17/01040 Mr R.Peter – Erection of new agricultural building – Menherion Barton, Menherion. Cllr Tremayne proposed, Cllr Ferris seconded all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

PA17/01669 Mr N.Timmins – Retrospective application for ground mounted solar panels – Bowling Green House, Wendron. Cllr Tremayne proposed, Cllr Mrs Neary seconded all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application*.

#### To note the receipt of planning application decisions including the following

PA16/11456 APPROVED - Conversion of barn to form a dwelling - Steren Koth, Halwin Crescent, Porkellis - noted

## 7 PARISH MATTERS

## **Rame Cross Development**

Members considered options concerning future ownership of the Open Space on the Rame Cross development and the manner in which it will be managed. Cllr Tremayne proposed Cllr Ferris seconded all others in favour that in order to ensure that it remains an open space Wendron Parish Council should seek titular ownership. It was also agreed that if this aspiration is fulfilled, the open space should be added to the list of areas currently maintained by Bob Sanders.

#### **Public Rights of Wav**

Members consider an invitation from Cornwall Council to continue with the Local Maintenance Partnership scheme. The grant offered for the year to March 31, 2018 is £5,997.60 (or 100% of eligible costs, whichever is the lower). In the year to March 31, 2017 Wendron Parish Council's costs for cutting Public Rights of Way and other footpaths amounted to £7,163.07.00 and the full grant of £5,997.00 from Cornwall Council was claimed. Cllr Ferris proposed, Cllr Mrs Warren seconded, all others in favour that Wendron Parish Council should accept Cornwall Council's invitation to renew partnership working.

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#### St Wendrona Closed Churchyard

Members considered an offer to extend the contract with Cornwall Council for cutting the grass in the closed churchyard of St Wendrona for a further year at an annual rate of £551.42 (the same rate as last year). Cllr Davidson proposed, Cllr Mrs Mitchell seconded all others in favour to continue with the maintenance of the closed churchyard at St Wendrona.

#### 8 FINANCE

The Clerk presented Members with a statement of Wendron Parish Council's financial position as at March 13, 2017. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

As a Committee Member of the Carnmenellis Churchyard Preservation Trust, Cllr Mrs Moyle declared a non-pecuniary interest in the following item. She remained in the room and in the Chair, but took no part in the discussion or the voting.

Members considered a request from the Carnmenellis Churchyard Preservation Committee for financial help towards the upkeep of the cemetery. It was proposed by Cllr Davidson, seconded by Cllr Ferris, all others in favour that, under the terms of Section 214(6) of the Local Government Act 1972, the sum of £375.00 be forwarded to the Carnmenellis Churchyard Preservation Committee towards the upkeep of the cemetery.

The following accounts were presented for consideration

			GROSS	NET	VAT
HM Revenue and Customs			£ 788.00		
R,Sanders					
Cemetery and graveyard	£ 1	90.00			
Path to well at Trewennack	£	40.00			
		total	£ 276.00	£ 230.00	£ 46.00
Colin Chapman					
Salary (February)	£ 1	,050.92			
telephone	£	33.89			
office expenses	£	32.35			
travelling	£	27.30			
use of home	£	25.00			
		total	£ 1,169.46		

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

Members noted the following receipts

Pendle Funeral Services (Mrs Tregonning) £ 185.00 CC LMP 2<sup>nd</sup> initial payment £ 546.00

#### 11 CHAIRMAN'S AND COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS

Members noted that

- the path through Prouse's Patch needs to be created sooner rather than later
- similarly, the granite stones need to be sited along the road-side verge
- the cemetery wall at Wendron has been damaged and needs repair
- a recent Neighbourhood Planning meeting had proved useful. Maps, questionnaires, the use of existing Plans and the matter of funding were all dealt with
- more information needs to be available on the Facebook page
- the drainage for the bubble-up in Penmarth appears to be sinking.

#### 12 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

No items for inclusion in the next meeting were tabled.

#### DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Monday April 10, 2017 at 7:30pm in the Community Hall, Burras

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