

WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday October 8, 2018 at 7:30pm at Penmarth Methodist Sunday School.

Present: Cllr Mrs S.Moyle (Chairman) Cllr R.Ferris
Cllr B.Borman Cllr C.Mitchell
Cllr N.van den Berg Cllr M.Stevens
Cllr P.Davidson Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors to the meeting: CCllr Dr Jenkin, Mr and Mrs Brooks, Mr Buckingham, Mr and Mrs Swain.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the October meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Durkin sent his 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 Mitchell proposed, Cllr Mrs Borman seconded, and it was agreed that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday September 10, 2018 are 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

- the Police and Crime Commissioner is unhappy with the proposed merger between the Devon and Cornwall and the Dorset Police Forces. Nevertheless, there are concerns at County Hall that Central Government may insist
- schools throughout Cornwall are still waiting for the promised increase in funding from central Government
- the recent National Planning Policy Framework updates suggest that Central Government may insist upon Cornwall building even more housing
- all-member briefings have included matters concerning Cornwall's coastal and flooding strategy; public transport (where, although bus services between major conurbations have improved, the more rural areas have been ignored with the result that, for example, residents need to catch two or three different buses to visit Treliske Hospital); a briefing on the proposed budget for 2019/2020 which suggests a shortfall of £2.5 million in Cornwall's income (a situation which led the Head of Children's Services to observe that 'Services are being pared to such an extent that something bad will happen')
- Central Government has made money available for repairing potholes and, importantly, the emphasis at Highways is switching from a reactive stance to one that is more proactive – that is to say Cornwall now believes preventative work on the roads network is the more effective approach.

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The Clerk was asked to invite someone from Public Transport at Cornwall to speak to the Council.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In relation to Planning Application PA18/08778 members noted that

- two earlier pre-applications had concluded that development of this barn in this location would not be appropriate
- access to the barn is not within the ownership of the applicants
- the aerial view of the site on the front cover of the Design and Access Statement is of somewhere unknown
- the statement that the proposed development cannot be viewed from the highway is inaccurate: it would be highly visible both from the road and from the public right of way
- if approved, the development would lead to flood of similar applications.

In relation to Planning Application PA18/02428 members noted that the applicants have worked closely with the Planning Officer concerned to resolve earlier objections to development on the same site.

7 PARISH MATTERS

Bus Stop bays

Members considered a proposal to underwrite the costs of work involved in the Traffic Regulation Orders of the two bus bays at Rame. A provisional undertaking from the Community Network Panel limits the sum payable by Wendron Parish Council to £726.51 (which is the amount payable for the necessary works). Following discussion, the Chairman proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded and it was agreed that Wendron Parish Council should cover the full cost of work necessary to implement the Traffic Regulation Order.

Prowse’s Patch

The Clerk reported that the Chairman and he had recently visited Prowse’s Patch and had identified a suitable site for a public bench. Members were shown details of a bench available from Corido at a purchase price of £299.99 to which should be added the cost of carriage and installation. Following discussion, Cllr van den Berg proposed Cllr Mitchell seconded and it was agreed to purchase and install a bench for use by members of the public on Prowse’s Patch. Members noted with gratitude CCllr Dr Jenkin’s offer to pay for the bench using part of her share of the Community Chest.

Carnkie Play Area

Members noted that Play Area is again open, that a recent inspection had been positive and that the lease is currently with the Council’s solicitors who are working to extend the term of tenure.

Neighbourhood Plans

No report from the informal committee was tabled. The Chairman suggested that it is time for Wendron to try a fresh approach and, following prolonged discussion, the Clerk was asked to find a consultant willing drive matters forward.

8 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Co-opted members

Interest in standing for co-option as a Parish Councillor was expressed by Mr Keith Buckingham.

Mr Buckingham left the room while this matter was in progress.

Following a short discussion, The Chairman proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded and it was agreed that Mr Buckingham should be co-opted as a Parish Councillor.

Mr Buckingham was invited to return to the room.

Cllr Buckingham signed and read aloud his declaration of acceptance of office before Mr Chapman, Clerk to Wendron Parish Council, the Proper Officer. The Chairman welcomed Cllr Buckingham as a member of Wendron Parish Council.

9 FINANCE

Members were presented with a statement of Wendron Parish Council’s financial position as at October 8, 2018. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

The following accounts were presented for consideration

| | GROSS | NET | VAT |
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| Burhos Community Hall (hire of hall) | £ 132.00 | | |
| Eric & Jeff Bray (Churchyard) | £ 147.00 | £ 122.50 | £ 24.50 |
| Davey and Gilbert (Menherion defibrillator) | £ 332.04 | £ 276.70 | £ 55.34 |
| Martin Smith Inspections (Carnkie Play Area) | £ 150.00 | | |

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| Randle Thomas (Carnkie Play Area) | | £ 777.00 | | |
| R.Sanders | | | | |
| Churchyards (18/09 and 27/09) | £ 270.00 | | | |
| Trellill Well | £ 60.00 | | | |
| Open Spaces | £ 295.00 | | | |
| Boundary Stones | £ 60.00 | | | |
| | | total | £ 822.00 | £ 685.00 £ 137.00 |
| Colin Chapman | | | | |
| Salary (September) | £ 1,072.04 | | | |
| telephone | £ 34.76 | | | |
| office expenses | £ 49.96 | | | |
| travelling | £ 31.20 | | | |
| use of home | £ 25.00 | | | |
| | | total | £ 1,212.96 | |

It was proposed by Cllr Stevens seconded by Cllr Mitchell and agreed that the above seven accounts should be paid.

Members noted the following receipts

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| F.Wearne and Sons (Mr Thomas) | £ 50.00 |
| Robert Lawrence (Mr Kendall) | £ 100.00 |

10 PLANNING

Applications

PA18/02428 Mr and Mrs Brooks – Demolition of existing out-buildings and erection of dwelling – Rose Cottage, Trevenen Bal. Cllr Stevens proposed, Cllr Mrs Borman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA18/07883 Mr M.Wood – New access drive with permanent hard standing to area outside the stable blocks and concrete bases to the stable blocks – land adj to Pelennor, Polhigey, Carnmenellis. Cllr Davidson proposed, the Chairman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA18/08784 Mr and Mrs D.Peters – Proposed two storey rear extension and internal alterations – Gregwartha Cottage, Lancarrow. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Mitchell seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA18/08778 Mr and Mrs Pepper-Smith – Conversion of a disused former agricultural hay store to a use as a single dwelling-house – Seven Meadows Farm, Polmarth, Carnmenellis. Cllr Stevens proposed, Cllr van den Berg seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council believes this development will harm the open rural nature of the surrounding area and that that harm exceeds the benefit of the positive economic and social benefit that the development would provide. It therefore objects to this proposal because the increased density of residential use of the site would impact negatively on the immediate setting contrary to the requirements of The Cornwall Local Plan Policy 7 Housing in the Countryside paragraph 2.34 and because the location is not consistent with NPPF Policy 4 Promoting sustainable transport. The Parish Council therefore requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development*

To note the receipt of planning application decisions

PA18/06250 APPROVED – Replacement agricultural storage building – The Barn, Farms Common – *noted*

PA18/04717 APPROVED – Retrospective continued use of existing static caravans for the purpose of staff accommodation – land adjacent to The Golden Lion, Menherion – *noted*

11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported that, following a prompt from the Boundary Commission, Cornwall Council will shortly begin a review of Parish Boundaries.

Correspondence

CPRE Protect Rural Cornwall newsletter – *noted*

Helford River Children's Sailing Trust acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Billy, Charlie and Jack (The Three Cricketing Amigos) acknowledgment of and thanks for the donations towards the cost of Cornwall Cricket's tour to South Africa – *noted*

Martin Smith Inspections play equipment safety inspection and risk assessment – *noted*

Mr and Mrs James re PROW 89 – *it was agreed that the Clerk should reply to this correspondence*

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12 CHAIRMAN’S AND COUNCILLORS’ COMMENTS

Members noted that the

- the lack of provision of a staggered gate-way on the footpath from Park Wella is a matter of grave concern
- the lights at Park Wella are still burning all night; they are too bright and one has recently been demolished
- the creation of the last link in the footpath around Stithians Lake (a safe path over the causeway) is long overdue
- the Penmarth road sign has still not been positioned on the Menherion road.

Cllr Stevens reported that he had attended the recent planning training meeting in Penzance and had found it very interesting. He noted in particular the requirement in planning law for Neighbourhood Plans to be regularly updated, and reported on the proposed allocation of money from the Community Infrastructure Levy which comes into being for new dwellings with effect from January 1, 2019.

13 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

No items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting were tabled.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Monday November 12, 2018 at 7.30pm at Penmarth Methodist Sunday School

Signed Chairman

Date

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