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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday April 8, 2019 at 7:30pm at Penmarth Methodist Sunday School.

Present: Cllr Mrs S.Moyle (Chairman) Cllr C.Mitchell
Cllr Mrs B.Borman Cllr M.Stevens
Cllr K.Buckingham Cllr P.Swain
Cllr R.Durkin
Cllr R.Ferris Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors to the meeting: CCllr Dr Jenkin, Mrs Natalie Warr, (Cornwall Manager - Transport Strategy) and Mr Binnie,

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the March meeting and introduced Mrs Nathalie Warr from Cornwall Council)

Following CCllr Dr Jenkin's report at the last meeting that Cornwall Highways proposes to create a 40mph limit all the way along the B3297 from Nine Maidens to Wendron dropping to a limit of 30mph as it passes through villages, Mrs Warr from Cornwall Council provided an update on the B3297 route review commission, which will look at the full route (from Redruth through to Helston) in terms of the desire to see speed limit reductions. Noting that there are four communities within the parish (Wendron, Trenear, Farms Common and Burras) situated along the B3297 and that they are divided by four pinch points, Mrs Warr explained that the primary aim is to establish route consistency by standardising approaches to the villages so that drivers appreciate that they are entering areas where due care for other road users is required. This will review establishing 30mph speed limits within the villages, with 40mph in the remaining sections. Wendron PC expressed the desire not to see a number of speed limit changes within short distances such as those on the A394 (five changes in less than three miles between Longdowns and Manhay). Cornwall Council proposes to implement the project in three phases

- firstly: (for delivery in 2019-2020) a review of suggested speed limits, line- and junction-marking, the creation of village gateways, assessing pedestrian and cyclist facilities and identifying potential passing places in the pinch-points
- secondly: (for delivery in 2020) design and costing of pinch-point pedestrian and cycle-ways and passing place options and
- thirdly: (for delivery in 2021) the delivery of those schemes from phase 2 deemed viable – although this is dependent on funding.

She added that the consultant would be commissioned by the end of the current week to undertake phase 1 and that it is planned to deliver viable improvements by March 2020 – though she cannot make promises that all of the desired speed limits reductions can be achieved. Noting that a flashing 20mph sign on the B3297 (at times when children are entering and leaving Wendron School) would be desirable and that any street lighting would be an issue in terms of the dark skies initiative, she said that she would let the Council know Cornwall's thoughts on both. Future phases will be commissioned separately.

Speaking on behalf of members, the Chairman thanked Mrs Warr for attending and wished her a safe journey home.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr van den Berg and Cllr Mrs Hampton sent their apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

in items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest in any items on the agenda.

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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 Durkin proposed, Cllr Stevens seconded, Cllr Buckingham and Cllr Ferris who were absent from the last meeting abstained and it was agreed that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday March 11, 2019 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

4 MATTERS ARISING AND NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE IN THIS AGENDA

Cllr Stevens reported that the road up to Carnkie Village Hall is in a very poor state of repair. The Clerk reported that this is undoubtedly due to the two new-build homes just beyond the Hall. The developer had undertaken to repair the road once the houses were sold, but this has not happened and the developer is proving difficult to contact.

5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that

- during the eight years that she has represented the Parish at County level, she has spent considerable time moving the B3297 project forward and was therefore somewhat alarmed by Mrs Warr's use of the adjective 'feasible'. It is important that the village gateways are constructed before other issues are considered
- despite the initial undertaking, nothing has, as yet, been done to install the agreed virtual pavement at Rame. Members noted that the lights on Park Wella are once again left burning all night and that the staggered gateway has not been constructed
- she had attended two Health and Adult Social Care briefings at which it became clear that there are issues concerning a number of decisions that have been taken without having first been considered by the Scrutiny Committee
- Community Nurses are now employed by Cornwall Council and not by the NHS as before: this means that School Nurses are once again in place to help school-age youngsters
- the Mental Health Unit for young people presently being built at Bodmin is nearing completion and will make a huge difference both for youngsters who are ill and their families.

In answer to a question concerning the proposed double yellow lines at the bus stops in Rame, CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that the Traffic Regulation Order will be going out for consultation in the near future and, unless there are any serious objections, the lines should be in place before too long

Cllr Durkin reported that two new granite stiles have been erected on bridleways within the Parish thereby effectively preventing their legal use. Cornwall has just one Enforcement Officer and she is completely overwhelmed by the sheer number of reported issues. CCllr Dr Jenkin replied that the problem lies with the lack of funding: individual Councillors have asked for more money to be allocated to Countryside issues, but this has not been forthcoming.

There is no further news about the Planning Enforcement issues at Fleur de Lys.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Binnie said that he

- is very concerned about plans for a virtual pavement at Rame. It is his considered opinion that this simply will not work and may lead to a fatality
- wonders whether or not Wendron Parish Council is looking at ways of controlling the speed of vehicles as they pass through Rame and Edgumbe
- is working with Linda Holloway, the PROW Enforcement Officer
- was dismayed to note how little money from the Community Benefit funding arising from the Solar Farm had been spent at Edgumbe and asked that thought be given to some significant planting to screen the farm from residents' homes. (Mr Binnie was told that natural screening was a planning condition, but that, despite the developer blatantly ignoring the condition, Cornwall Council has done nothing to enforce it. The Clerk undertook yet again to report the issue to Planning Enforcement.)

7 PARISH MATTERS

Carnkie Play Area

Members noted that the Play Area lease is still with the Council's and Mr Cruikshanks' solicitors.

Neighbourhood Plans

Cllr Ferris reported that those attending a meeting last week had been keen to take the matter forward. He distributed copies of a proposed community questionnaire and asked members to look at it critically during the course of the next few weeks before authorisation at the meeting in May. He hopes to be able to distribute it to residents of the Parish in June, collate the answers in July and would look to appointing a consultant shortly after that

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Cornwall Association of Local Councils

Members considered an invitation to subscribe to membership of the Cornwall Association of Local Councils for the year to March 31, 2020 in the sum of £766.24 + VAT. Following discussion, it was agreed that, as matters stand, membership is unnecessary.

8 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Co-opted members

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

9 FINANCE

Members were presented with a statement of Wendron Parish Council's financial position as at April 8, 2019. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

Parish Councillors considered the Annual Governance Statement required for the Annual Return for the year ended March 31, 2019. Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Durkin seconded and it was agreed 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, 2019.

The Clerk presented the accounts for the year April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019. Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed, Cllr Buckingham seconded and it was agreed that Wendron Parish Council accepts and approves the accounts for the year April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019.

The Internal Auditor's report not being available, members agreed to defer acceptance to the Meeting in May.

Members noted both the requirement to review the Clerk's salary on an annual basis and his request that this review should be taken forward to 2020.

Members considered a request from Edgcombe Methodist Chapel for financial help towards the upkeep of the cemetery. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Durkin seconded by Cllr Mrs Moyle and agreed that, under the terms of Section 214(6) of the Local Government Act 1972, the sum of £390.00 be forwarded to Edgcombe Methodist Chapel towards the upkeep of the cemetery.

Members considered a request from Wendron Football Club for financial help towards the cost of capital improvements at the ground. Following discussion, it was agreed that while the Parish Council is unable to justify making such a donation, it might help the Club with accessing funds from potential funders if a letter of support were to be forthcoming. The Clerk was asked to forward a letter of support from the Council.

The following accounts were presented for consideration

		GROSS	NET	VAT
Eric & Jeff Bray (cemetery maintenance)		£ 110.00	£ 91.67	£ 18.33
Eric & Jeff Bray (levelling graves)		£ 460.00	£ 383.33	£ 76.37
Information Commissioner		£ 40.00		
R.Sanders				
Churchyards (21/03)	£ 205.00			
Trelill Well	£ 30.00			
Open Spaces	£ 120.00			
Boundary Stones	£ 60.00			
Painting 9 bus shelters	£ 1,350.00			
Paint 4 finger posts	£ 400.00			
Paint bridge railings (2 sets)	£ 300.00			
	total	£ 2,958.00	£ 2,465.00	£ 493.00
Colin Chapman				
Salary (March)	£ 1,072.04			
telephone	£ 24.53			
office expenses	£ 46.15			
travelling	£ 22.10			
use of home	£ 25.00			
	total	£ 1,189.82		

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Moyle seconded by Cllr Mitchell and agreed that the above five accounts should be paid.

10 PLANNING

Applications

PA19/01491 Mr J.Herron – Outline planning permission with all matters reserved: Two residential dwellings within

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the residential curtilage of Ashanti – land adjacent to Ashanti, Carnkie. The Chairman proposed Cllr Mitchell seconded two members against, one abstaining and three in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council does not believe that the benefit to the immediate community will outweigh the visual harm that development on this site will have. It believes that the proposal will extend the built environment with all its attendant paraphernalia into the countryside and has further reservations about access onto the road. Wendron Parish Council therefore requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.*

PA19/01790 Mr & Mrs N.Hayes – Change of use from existing Units 1 & 2 holiday lets to full residential – Bodilly Veor, Poldark Cottage, Crelly. Cllr Mrs Moyle proposed Cllr Durkin seconded one member against all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council makes no observation.*

PA19/01912 Ms S.Hayes – Application for the discharge of planning obligation in relation W2/PA99/00723/F-removal of holiday let obligation – Poldark Cottage, Bodilly Veor, Crelly. Cllr Stevens proposed Cllr Mrs Borman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council makes no observation.*

PA19/02219 Mr & Mrs T.Robins – Construction of a replacement dwelling – The Drey, Carnkie. 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.*

PA19/02290 Mr G.Balcombe – Installation of a timber chalet for occasional occupation in association with equestrian use – Higher Hendra, Wendron. Cllr Stevens proposed Cllr Swain seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council notes that this application is for residential accommodation within an unsustainable location in the open countryside and therefore requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.*

PA19/02359 Mr I.Lees – Listed building consent to replace existing chimney – Crelly House, Trenear. Cllr Moyle proposed Cllr ferris seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

To note the receipt of planning application decisions

PA19/00265 APPROVED – Construction of a wildlife tower to provide a nesting/roosting habitat for barn owls, little owls, kestrels, bats and other wildlife using plans prepared by the Barn Owl Trust – Viscar Lodge, Carnkie – *noted*

11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

Cornwall Council Notice of Appeal against an Enforcement Notice in respect of a material change of use and other matters on land west of Lower Retanna Farm – *noted*

Carmenellis Churchyard Preservation Society acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Billy, Jack and Charlie account of the Cornwall U13 South Africa Cricket Tour 2019 – *noted*

12 CHAIRMAN’S AND COUNCILLORS’ COMMENTS

The Chairman reported that it rather looks as if the Tour of Britain Cycle Race will pass through Wendron during the second week in September.

Cllr Stevens reported that vehicular access to the Trelill Well car-park was blocked with planks of wood. The Clerk undertook to report the matter to Cornwall Council.

Cllr Mrs Borman is unable to attend the Carnkie-Wendron Village Hall Committee meeting on Monday next: Cllr Durkin offer to represent the Council in her place.

Cllr Durkin suggested that Wendron Parish Council should undertake a survey of road safety issues within the parish with a view to encouraging Cornwall Highways to take action

13 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Notice-board replacement. Survey of road safety issues.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

Annual Parish Meeting – Monday May 7, 2018 at 7:00pm in Penmarth Methodist Sunday School

Annual Meeting – Monday May 7, 2018 following the Annual Parish Meeting in Penmarth Methodist Sunday School

Signed Chairman

Date

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