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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday October 11, 2021 at 7:30pm in Penmarth Methodist Schoolroom.

Present: Cllr Mrs S.Moyle (Chairman) Cllr G.Looker
Cllr Mrs B.Borman Cllr C.Mitchell
Cllr R.Durkin
Cllr T.Law Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors to the meeting: CCllr Dr Jenkin, Mr Combelack, Mr Gendall, Miss Hosken, Mr Kivell, Mr McBride, Mr Somerville, Mr Taylor, Mr Truen, Mrs Williams and Mr Ziminski

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the October meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Ferris, Cllr Mrs Hampton, Cllr Mrs Wedlake and Mr van den Berg 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 £50 either in the form of a single gift or as a cumulative total

There were no declarations of gifts of a value greater than £50.

3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Cllr Durkin proposed, Cllr Law seconded (Cllr Mrs Borman and Cllr Looker who were absent from the last meeting abstained) and it was agreed that the minutes of the Meeting held on September 13, 2021 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.

5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Dr Jenkin reported that

- she has attended a number of meetings at Cornwall in the past month. These have included a meeting of the full Council and Health and Adult Social Care and Planning Committee meetings
- the initial stages in the setting of next year's budget (made more problematic by an anticipated significant overspend in some departments) have commenced. The demographic mix in Cornwall and more particularly the rising numbers of older residents and the related cost of care has meant that several private care providers have had no option other than to return their residents to the care of Cornwall. This has led to significant issues with staffing and as a consequence individual minor injuries departments including that of Helston Hospital have closed on several occasions
- Cornwall's newly published Housing Strategy document is out for consultation. The Housing Crisis is, in fact, a Housing Emergency. Cornwall has acquired a Holiday Park and created some Bunk Cabins for homeless people, but that doesn't begin to address the need
- in Wendron itself, the application for the Lawful Use of a caravan for residential purposes at Axehead on Underlane has been refused; it would be good to see the car-park in Wendron open for use by residents; the planning application for the geo-thermal power plant at Lower Crahan Farm is either available to view or will

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shortly be available to view on Cornwall's website and the Vehicle Activated Signs are in place on the B3297 either side of Wendron School.

In answer to questions, Cllr Dr Jenkin confirmed that Cornwall had not applied for any money from the 1st round of Central Government's Levelling-Up fund but that a 2nd funding round is shortly to begin. There is still a little EU funding available.

Cornwall Council has set aside some £600m to build Council Houses but, as matters stand, any homes built will be subject to the Right to Buy legislation. Cornwall Council is presently seeking an exemption from this ruling.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Truen stated that he was present to seek the Parish Council's support for his application PA21/08492. His intention is to create a small camping site of between seven and twenty sustainable pitches with ancillary facilities available in a new purpose-built building. On-site tracks and paths will be constructed using a grass protection mesh (though a hard standing will be constructed to accommodate parked vehicles), public transport and a small café are located within easy walking distance and he has already planted trees and paid to have overhead electricity wires buried.

Mr Gendall stated that he is the agent for PA21/08081. He added that the extant plans for the conversion of a derelict barn offer insufficient space to house a young family. The intention is to construct the proposed extension in natural stone (which is available on-site) thus matching the existing building material and creating a pleasing, unobtrusive dwelling. He concluded by stating that heating will be provided using an underground heating system.

7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Co-option of members

The Clerk reported that interest in standing for co-option as a Parish Councillor has been expressed by Mr van den Berg, but that he had been unable to attend the meeting.

The Lawn Cemetery

Members considered a proposal to revise the fees charged for the Lawn Cemetery. (They were last revised in December 2018.) Following discussion, Cllr Durkin proposed, Cllr Law seconded all in agreement that the fees should be revised upwards as follows

PART 1 INTERMENTS

For any interment in a grave or vault.	£
i) there is no charge for the interment of a minor under the age of 18 who, at the time of death, was a resident of the Parish of Wendron	
ii) of the body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded 18 years	500.00

PART 2 EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL IN EARTHEN GRAVES

For the exclusive right of burial in an earthen grave 9ft x 4ft	600.00
The fee indicated in Part 2 includes the deed of Grant and all the expenses thereof.	

PART 3 MONUMENTS, GRAVESTONES AND MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

For the right to erect or place on a grave in respect of which an exclusive right of burial has been granted a headstone not exceeding 2ft 6ins height x 3ft wide and 1ft 3ins deep	160.00
(The fee indicated above includes the first inscription.)	
For each inscription after the first a fee of £80.00 is payable.	

PART 4 CREMATED REMAINS

For interment in an existing grave of cremated remains	150.00
For the burial of cremated remains in the area set aside for this purpose	200.00
For the right to place over cremated remains a stone 2ft long and 1ft 6ins wide, and 2ins high at the front 4ins high at the rear.....	160.00
(The fee indicated above include the first inscription.)	
For each subsequent inscription a fee of £80.00 is payable.	

Searches of register books and for copies and extracts to be taken therefrom

For every search per hour and per part of hour.....	30.00
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Every certified copy of an entry of burial in the register books 30.00

8 PARISH MATTERS

Publicity

Cllr Durkin reported that he has added two new posts to Wendron Parish Council's FaceBook page during the course of the past month. Members noted that the post concerning the proposed geo-thermal scheme at Longdowns which Councillors had visited had attracted a total of four hundred and ninety-five 'likes'.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Members considered ways in which the Parish might celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The following initial thoughts were proposed

- wild flowers (red, white and blue) planted in the hedgerows
- a celebration tea in the village halls (possibly organised and run by community groups)
- planting trees (the Queen's Green Canopy)
- the schools might like to consider arranging some sort of musical entertainment

It was agreed that individual Councillors would make enquiries and report back at the meeting in November.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan

The working party will meet shortly to finalise the initial document.

The garden in Porkellis

The Clerk reported that the Enys Estate has agreed in principle to sell the Community Garden in Porkellis to the Parish Council. Members were pleased to learn this and instructed the Clerk to negotiate a keener price than the one suggested.

Wendron Car Park

The Clerk reported that the current owner's wife has told him that the land is not for sale. It was noted that a pre-app seeking an opinion concerning commercial development on the land has been returned expressing concerns and suggesting that it is unlikely that the Planning Authority will grant permission for development. It was further noted that the Restrictive Covenant over the land dated May 12, 1999 is probably enforceable.

9 FINANCE

Members were presented with a statement of Wendron Parish Council's financial position as at October 11, 2021. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

The following accounts were presented for consideration

	GROSS	NET	VAT
Southwest Playground Safety Inspections	£ 30.00	£ 25.00	£ 5.00
Eric and Jeff Bray	£ 85.00	£ 70.83	£ 14.17
R.Sanders			
Church and cemetery	£ 75.00		
Grass cutting	£ 165.00		
Trellis Well	£ 35.00		
Boundary stones	£ 65.00		
Opening PROWs 4 & 57	£ 1,600.00		
total	£ 2,328.00	£ 1940.00	£ 388.00
Colin Chapman			
salary (September)	£ 1,126.30		
telephone	£ 33.82		
office expenses	£ 49.21		
travelling	£ 17.99		
use of home	£ 25.00		
total	£ 1,222.50		

It was proposed by Cllr Durkin, seconded by Cllr Mitchell and agreed that the above four accounts should be paid.

Members noted the following receipts

Friends of Trewennack	£ 100.00
Pendle Funeral Services (Mr Gilbert)	£ 140.00
CC Closed Churchyard	£ 62.45
Robert Lawrence headstone	£ 50.00
Carnkie Play Area (Residents' fund-raising)	£ 880.00

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10 PLANNING

Applications

PA21/08024 Messrs Wrigley and Edwards – The conversion of two barns into holiday lets, the erection of a shepherd's hut for use as a holiday let, the partial conversion of a store to provide office space, a gym and laundry room for holiday lets, a plant room and new parking and landscaping – Chenhall Farm, Crelly. Cllr Law proposed, Cllr Looker seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA21/08081 Mr B.Combelack – Alterations to Existing Planning Permission for Conversion of Redundant Agricultural Building into a Dwelling – Land Adjacent to Kenap Farm, Burras. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Law seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA21/08094 Mr B.Symes – Extension to existing dwelling including balcony, demolition of existing garage to facilitate extension with construction of new garage and associated hard standing – Higher Manhay Barn, Wendron. Cllr Mrs Borman proposed, Cllr Looker seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA21/08492 Mr S.Truen – Change of use to camping, erection of reception plus toilet/shower block, access improvements, laying of aggregate hard standing – Boquoio Vean, Crelly. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Law seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.* Cllr Durkin 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.*

PA21/08949 Rhosnoweth Development Ltd – Construction of a single dwelling-house with parking and amenity – land to rear of West View, Trewannack. The Chairman 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.*

PA21/09502 Mr and Mrs A.Coade – Extension of existing garage – Spring Cottage, Underlane. The Chairman 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.*

To note the receipt of planning application decisions

PA21/02557 APPROVED – Proposed construction of garage and workshop – Blackdowns Barn, South Calvadnack, Carnmenellis – *noted*

PA21/05179 APPROVED – Conversion and extension of existing barn to form dwelling house & associated works – Treweath Farm, Rubys Barn, Treweath, Penmarth – *noted*

PA21/07180 REFUSED – Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of a mobile home structure as a dwelling house for in excess of 4 years – Axe Head Farm, Underlane – *noted*

PA21/07400 APPROVED – Replacement garage/store with single storey one bedroom annexe – Lower Porkellis Farm Lower, Porkellis – *noted*

PA21/08570 APPROVED – Non-material amendment (NMA1) for revised design of porch to PA20/00353 dated 15/04/2020 – Association Cottage, Calvadnack – *noted*

11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

Members considered a request from Grade Ruan Parish Council for support for a letter from parishes on The Lizard Peninsula expressing concerns about the proposed development of a green field adjacent to Culdrose airfield as a retail park. The Clerk explained that the real concern for residents of the Lizard is about traffic leaving the peninsula and the already increasingly frequent, long queues to access the mini-roundabout at the Cottage Hospital. Following discussion, Wendron Parish Council accepted the impact of the development on traffic but considered it inappropriate to support the specific request.

The Clerk stated that four items of play equipment for the play area in Carnkie are now on order. The anticipated minimum lead-in time is twelve weeks.

The question of Remembrance Sunday and the service at Wendron Church was raised. It was agreed that the Chairman would read the lesson and that Cllr Law would lay the wreath and read the names of the fallen.

12 CHAIRMAN'S AND COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS

The Chairman reported receipt of a letter from the Parochial Church Council thanking the Parish Council for its financial support of the Church restoration project. The restoration is now complete and the building is secure, open and welcoming.

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Cllr Mitchell asked if the Vehicle Activated Speed Sign (VAS) at Halfway House might display the number plates of those cars which trigger it. The Clerk was asked to contact St Hilary Parish Council both about the capital and the on-going cost of such signs that are sited at Rosudgeon.

Cllr Mrs Borman reported that she had attended a meeting of the Carnkie Wendron Village Hall Committee. A Christmas Bazaar has been arranged for December 4 when she will be managing a stall.

Cllr Looker reported that, as part of the Wendron Leats and Helston Kennels' project, he and Cllr Durkin had interviewed riparian land-owners in Wendron and that the resultant film is available to view at the Museum of Cornish Life in Helston.

13 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

No matters for inclusion at future meetings were tabled.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

Monday November 8, 2021 at 7:30pm in **Penmarth Methodist Schoolroom**

Signed Chairman

Date

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