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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday November 14, 2022 at 7:30pm in Penmarth Methodist Schoolroom.

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

Visitors to the meeting: CCllr Dr Jenkin, Mr and Mrs McBryde, Mr and Mrs Carroll, Mrs Charman (representing Geothermal Engineering Ltd), Mr and Mrs Fern, Mrs Holdroff and Mr Phillips.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the November meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Law and Cllr Ferris 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

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 Mrs Borman seconded and it was agreed that the minutes of the Meeting held on October 10, 2022 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

- Wendron's leats are currently blocked by stones at a point south of Wheal Dream
- she has managed to obtain some scalplings for the lane at Trenear
- the Community Governance Review Panel's recommendation, which will be considered by the full Council, is that the stream to the west of Park an Daras should form the future boundary between Wendron and Helston
- she has attended a number of meetings recently including the Standards Committee, the Planning Committee, the Adult Health and Social Care committee: she has also been part of the panel monitoring Halwin School and had attended the Neighbourhood Development Plan day at Falmouth
- the fees and charges for Cornwall Council's bereavement services look set to rise by some 6.75%
- assuming there will be no unforeseen problems, South West Water will be pumping 12% more water from the leats stream. Stithians reservoir is currently at 12% of its capacity and is not expected to be more than 40% full before the summer. It is likely the hose-pipe ban will remain in place
- the County's Health and Social Care services are under continuing strain. With house prices remaining high and a lack of affordable homes, both existing and potential employees simply cannot afford to live in Cornwall
- the Cornwall Rural Community Charity has just celebrated its 75+1 anniversary: over the years it has supported a large number of projects and indeed continues to do so.

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In answer to a question from Cllr Looker, CCllr Dr Jenkin stated that the 'Friends of the Leats and Kennels' has not as yet been properly constituted. Helston had undertaken to take on the administration (while Wendron had agreed to work collaboratively), but progress has yet to be made.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr McBryde stated that he was present to seek support for his planning application PA22/08186. He asserted that the slab had previously been used for an agricultural barn and that the barn had since been replaced by a garage in which a mechanic can work comfortably on one vehicle. He had not been aware that he needed planning permission to replace the barn.

Mrs Carroll stated that she and her husband fully understood the objections which have been raised about PA22/08186 but that living next door to a working environment will inevitably make for problems. They have undertaken not to make a noise after 6.00pm and have turned off a light that had been the cause of some irritation. They need a site to run the business and they want to work with the local community.

Mrs Charman speaking on behalf of Geothermal Engineering Ltd stated that, having addressed the problems highlighted in the original application, the company has now submitted an amended application for the site at Manhay. The visual impact of the finished building will be no greater than that of many nearby agricultural barns, the height of the drilling rig has been substantially lowered and the concerns about road safety and the entrance to the site have been addressed. Development will be overseen by the Environment Agency and the impact on wild-life will be reduced by measures taken elsewhere on the site. It was suggested that a geophysical survey should be undertaken before development was permitted if for nothing other than to confirm whether or not the field is a significant site. Further criticism, particularly about industrial development in the open countryside and questions about whether or not this is an appropriate site ensued. Further discussion revealed that there may be scope to lower the speed limit on the A394 through Trevenen and that, once working, the facility will generate 5MW of electricity (sufficient to supply the average power requirement for around 10,000 homes) and 20MW of heat (for which there is currently no clearly identified need). A community benefit aimed particularly at Wendron will form part of the project as a whole if it gains permission.

Mr Fern drew members' attention to the Climate Emergency document which Stithians Parish Council has published and asked if Wendron would consider following suit.

7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Co-option of members

The Clerk reported that no further letters of interest in co-option as a Parish Councillor have been received.

8 PARISH MATTERS

Publicity

Cllr Durkin reported that he would forward information concerning use during the past month of Wendron Parish Council's FaceBook page to members following the meeting

The Neighbourhood Development Plan

Through the Clerk, Cllr Law reported that he had attended the neighbourhood development plan day at Falmouth University.. He had taken notes and will circulate them once they are written up. He also has the slides that were used.

Members noted that completed questionnaires are continuing to be returned

The Coronation of HM King Charles III (Saturday May 6, 2023)

Through the Clerk, Cllr Law suggested that the Parish Council might like to consider the following suggestions for ways in which to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III

- the provision of mugs to children schooled in the parish
- the provision of a bench for each village community, to be sited in a place of their choice
- a wildlife enhancement measure, to be developed in concert with Cornwall Wildlife Trust (e.g., discussion of beaver project with CWT and NT, or purchase of land and rewilding)
- support for a parish cookery book, for people to submit dishes 'fit for a king'
- pursue gaining dark skies status.

It was agreed that members would consider the matter and bring ideas to a future meeting.

9 FINANCE

Members were presented with a statement of Wendron Parish Council's financial position as at November 14, 2022. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

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Members noted that the Chairman had placed a wreath on the War Memorial during the Remembrance Sunday Service. The question of a donation towards the work of the Royal British Legion was considered. Cllr Mrs Hampton proposed, Cllr Durkin seconded all others in favour that, under the terms of S137 of the Local Government Act 1972, Wendron Parish Council should forward the sum of £250.00 to the Royal British Legion.

The following accounts were presented for consideration

		GROSS	NET	VAT
South West Playground Safety Inspections		£ 36.00	£ 30.00	£ 6.00
Eric and Jeff Bray Garden Services				
Cemetery	£ 76.77			
Jubilee Garden	£ 54.16			
	total	£ 157.00	£ 130.83	£ 26.17
R.Sanders				
Church and cemetery	£ 320.00			
Trelill Well	£ 80.00			
Grass cutting	£ 350.00			
Boundary stones	£ 140.00			
River bed (Penmarth)	£ 840.00			
	total	£ 2,076.00	£ 1,730.00	£ 346.00
Colin Chapman				
salary (October)	£ 1,146.26			
telephone	£ 34.05			
office expenses	£ 34.98			
travelling	£ 40.95			
use of home	£ 25.00			
	total	£ 1,281.24		

It was proposed by Cllr Durkin, seconded by Cllr Mrs Borman and agreed that the above six accounts should be paid.

Members noted the following receipt

Robert Lawrence (Mr Philpott)	£ 160.00
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10 PLANNING

To consider observations concerning the following planning applications

PA22/06999 Mr and Mrs Upfold – Incorporation of a two storey barn into the existing attached house – Treloquithack Farm, Treloquithack. Cllr Durkin proposed, Cllr Mrs Hampton seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA22/08178 Mr Simon Wagemakers Persimmon Homes (Cornwall and West Devon) – Reserved matters application for access including the principal site access roundabout, together with pedestrian and cycle way links (details following outline consent PA16/00001 for up to 404 dwellings and means of access dated 23.03.2017) – land adj to Clodgey Lane and Gays Hill, Helston. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Looker seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council notes that the whole of the proposed development site lies within the Parish of Helston. Wendron Parish Council does not therefore believe it is appropriate to make a comment on this application.*

PA22/08186 Mr I.McBryde – Retrospective planning permission for the erection of a shed on pre existing concrete platform to be used for the repair and servicing of motor vehicles, to provide a dry working environment, the yard the shed has been erected in had been used as a service and repair area for the previous ten years – The Gables Filling Station, Trevenen. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Durkin seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA22/008781 Mr N.Lynch – Removal of existing fire damaged dwelling and associated outbuildings and construction of a replacement dwelling and outbuilding – Lancarrow Lodge, Four Lanes. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Durkin seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned with the following observation *Wendron Parish Council supports this application.*

PA22/08813 Mr D.Care – Conversion of a redundant agricultural barn to a single residential dwelling – Barn at Boquio Farm, Crelly. 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.*

PA22/09375 Mr and Mrs Hosking – Demolition of existing redundant former agricultural barn, with Prior approval to convert to form a single dwelling unit, and construction of a dwelling [amended design following withdrawal of

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PA22/00798], alterations to existing vehicle access and installation of a domestic packaged sewage treatment plant – Daracott Barn, Lezerea. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Durkin 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

PA22/07156 APPROVED – 20 Ground Mounted solar panels on 1 frame of 8 panels and 2 frames of 6 panels –West Halabezack Farm, Porkellis – *noted*

PA22/08542 APPROVED – Proposed two-storey rear extension and replacement of existing front porch – Pol Arghans, Carnkie – *noted*

11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had nothing further to report

12 CHAIRMAN'S AND COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS

The Chairman reported that she had attended the Remembrance Day service at Wendron Church.

The Chairman reported a request from Cllr Phil Blease, Chairman of Stithians Parish Council, for the two Councils to work together to modify the junction off the A394 at Rame. Members noted that Wendron Parish Council had only recently signed off the plans which attempt to make Back Road safer for use by pedestrians

Cllr Mrs Hampton asked CCllr Dr Jenkin if there was news concerning the refurbishment of the now empty, temporary housing units at Hayle. CCllr Dr Jenkin said she would ask ... again!

Through the Clerk Cllr Law reported that he

- had attended the recent CNP which had focused on the proposal for new Community Area Panels where he made a couple of points, mostly in support of retaining current boundaries. There is an opportunity for the Council to discuss the proposals and to input any collective views. They are particularly interested in comments on the vision, the objectives, roles, the boundary propositions, and broad governance.
- we are still waiting for Bob to mount the commemorative panel in the Porkellis garden; and to collect the stakes from the log merchant at Laity and then hammer them into place. Once that is done, the trail marking can be complete and the path will be finished. (The panel on Porkellis Moor has been cleaned and the graffiti removed.)

13 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Notice-boards

Defibrillators

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Monday December 12, 2022 at 7:30pm in **Penmarth Methodist Schoolroom**

Signed Chairman

Date

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