

ST CLEER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the XO Parish Council held on August 23rd 2023 at 8pm in the Sports Pavilion, St Cleer

Present: Cllrs. L. Price, R. Pearce, I. Morris, S. Horsfield, C. Sargeant, S. Harbord and K. Johnson.

Apologies: Cllrs. B. Dupreez, N. Emms, J. Prinn

Absent: Cllrs. P. Mcfaul, S. Hearn (later sent apologies due to broken wrist)

In Attendance: I Morris, Acting Clerk & E. Luther, Asst. Clerk (from 7.50pm)

Members of Public – 11, including representatives from the Allotment association and Environmental Group

Also present by invitation of the Chair, Sarah Mason (CALC)

X8/23/1	Persons Present/Absent: To note persons present and absent as above	
X8/23/2	Receive any Declarations of Interest from Members/Dispensations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Disclosable pecuniary interests Non-registrable interests Declarations of gifts Applications for dispensations 	
X8/23/3	Allow up to 15 Minutes for the Public to address the Council No formal session as the meeting was preceded by the informal meeting. Thereafter, the Chair permitted questions and comments from the public during the discussions of the parish plans.	
X8/23/4	Chairman's Announcements None	
X8/23/5	Update from C. Cllr. P. Seeva (if present) C. Cllr. P. Seeva was not present	
X8/23/6	To Discuss the Draft Plans for the parish: Main Issues raised and discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed School Bus cuts. Proposed termination of CC School bus service from St Cleer, Tremar and Darite in September 2024. The proposed walking route over the moors were considered to be unsafe and impractical. Request for the PC to support a campaign along with other PCs. Speeding traffic through Tremar Coombe and Tremar. Request for PC to provide speed warning signs and possibly a speed camera. The PC has also received an Email from a Parishioner about being hit by a speeding car in Tremar. Planned maintenance of the Councils assets. Enquiry as to what arrangements and funding the PC had in place to ensure such assets did not deteriorate unnoticed. An explanation was given regarding the publishing of a fully costed asset register this year and the existence of the EMRs (Earmarked Reserves). Footpaths. Environmental Group representatives stated that Parish footpaths are not being satisfactorily cut & maintained by the PC. It was explained that only Gold paths were cut this year and that that cost had been reclaimed under the LMP scheme. They also mentioned that some footpaths were blocked. These had been reported but nothing was done. They also mentioned 	

	<p>that areas of re-wilding had been identified but stressed this needed to be managed correctly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growing threat of moorland and woodland fires possibly spreading to adjoining residential areas. The importance of maintaining fire breaks was discussed and concerns raised about the potential for fires. • Allotments: It was stated that the Allotments are an important asset to the community for health, wellbeing and for food production and mainly occupied by an older generation of retirees. Concerns were raised about the lack of maintenance on the site with the collapse of the main entrance gate, poor condition of site boundary fencing, lack of toilet facilities (compost toilet) and absence of a grass cutting contract. An email had also been received from a Parishioner / Allotment Tenant expressing concern about the above issues. 	
X8/23/7	<p>Millennium Garden Renaming Update Deferred due to the absence of Cllr. S. Hearn</p>	Deferred
X8/23/8	<p>To Discuss the council's commitments to the Football Club with regard to pitch-cutting and maintenance Satisfaction was expressed at the value for money of the current pitch-cutting arrangements. More general comments were made by councillors about the way to charge pavilion users in a fair way and in a way that both helped cover costs and supported local groups and organisations. Ideas mooted were a cost per registered member, and a system of devising charges so that they were fair to each group and their financial position.</p>	
X8/23/9	<p>Matters Arising/Date of Next Meeting The meeting on August 24th is postponed, with a probable new date of September 6th. This will be confirmed.</p>	
X8/23/10	<p>Plans and Priorities (if time): 30 minutes (approx.) for councillors to discuss priorities and identify and allocate key tasks to be done This did not take place as discussion had happened throughout the evening.</p>	