

St Cleer Parish Council

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting on 10th September 2018, held at Council Sports Pavilion, Hockings House, St Cleer.

Penelope Andrews		Apology Accepted
Kelvin Buckley, Councillor		Apology Accepted
Sue Harbord, Councillor	Chair of Council	In attendance
Suzanne Horsfield, Councillor		Apology Accepted
Peter Lockley, Councillor		In attendance
Jon Prinn		In attendance
Clive Sargeant, Councillor		In attendance
Brian Seage		In attendance
Martin Shead, Councillor		In Attendance
Brian Smith, Councillor		In attendance
Tony Turton, Councillor		In Attendance
Derris Watson, Councillor		In attendance
Andy Webb, Councillor	Vice Chair of Council	Apology Accepted
Martin Eddy, Cornwall Councillor	St Cleer, St Neot and Wareggan	In attendance
Roni Jones	Clerk not in attendance	Apology Accepted
Members of the Public		3

Agenda item No. 1	Apologies for Absence Kelvin Buckley, Suzanne Horsfield, Andy Webb and Penelope Andrews	
2	Members declarations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Disposable pecuniary interests b. Non-registerable interests c. Declarations of gifts d. Applications for dispensations None	

3	<p>Correspondence from Parishioners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Grant applications referred to new process Cruse Bereavement Care and Cornwall Hospice Care • Traffic issues and Footpath Signage • Football club's use of Green Container as a tea hut (inc relocation) Public Questions <p>Questions from the Public</p> <p>K Johnson asked a series of questions (KJ agreed to email the questions as his rapid delivery had precluded accurate recording by the clerk) (29.10.18 These had not been received to include in the minutes or to address)</p>	
4	<p>Reopen the meeting (public may only contribute on invitation)</p>	
5	<p>Minutes of Previous Parish Council meeting</p> <p>Minutes of Council 26th September proposed by Chairman Seconded by T Turton and passed with one abstention by P Lockley as he had not been present</p> <p>Minutes of Council 10th October Chairman proposed an addition in her announcements as she reminded the meeting that she had announced up to £200 from the Chairman's allowance was to be made available as match funding to the Battles Over celebrations to mark the Centenary of the end of WW1. The minutes with the addition were proposed by the Chairman seconded by M Shead and passed unanimously.</p>	
6	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>Membership of Committees B Seage and J Prinn both offered to serve on F&GP Proposed Chairman, seconded by B Smith and agreed unanimously</p> <p>There were no volunteers for Community Engagement.</p>	
7	<p>Mr Johnson wished to know the contracted hours and pay rates for Parish Council Staff.</p> <p>The Localism Act of 2011 Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234) requires publication of the number of staff paid over £50,000, in salary bands of £5,000 The 2011 Act does not require individuals' salaries to be published. The total the Parish spends on salaries is published annually, in section 2 of the accounting statement.</p> <p>Mr Johnson requested information regarding the maintenance partnership with Cornwall Council regarding footpaths in the Parish. Requesting detailed information outlining the date each footpath has been cut.</p> <p>The footpaths are being cut as per the Contract. The Chairman of Estates regularly enjoys walks on the footpaths and has commented that they are looking the best they have in years. The Cornwall FA representatives who recently visited St Deer FC, commented that the football pitch and facilities at the Pavilion were fantastic. If Mr Johnson wants the detailed breakdown of the cutting schedule I ask that he please provide Parish with a stamped addressed envelope and it will be sent to him</p>	

	<p>Mr Johnson requested information as to when the PC Invoices Cornwall Council for the Maintenance Partnership.</p> <p>The PC invoices Cornwall Council annually at the end of the cutting season.</p> <p>The Committee membership is on the PC website.</p> <p>The Council has reverted back to its original seating arrangement. This seating arrangement makes it much easier to see the TV screen. It also voids Councillors being distracted by cameras waving around on a selfie stick.</p> <p>The Chair announced the following:</p> <p>I would like to take this opportunity to dispel some of the misinformation that is being promulgated on the 'My News and views of St Cleer PC' Facebook page. Your Parish Council is neither corrupt, dishonest, deceitful or lazy. We all freely give up our time to try and make a positive difference to the Parish. Being a Parish Councillor is not just sitting in on a couple of meetings, many of us have responsibilities that take up many hours of our time per month.</p> <p>This is my opinion. It is a very sad reflection on Mr Johnson that he seems to have little else better to do than try and bully, intimidate and make defamatory statements about the PC and its employees, that bear no relation to reality</p> <p>The grants the PC makes annually of £300 to the cemetery (not the Church yard) and the dissenters cemetery are not section 137 grants. They are a separate lawful grant.</p> <p>We do not recklessly spend your money on vanity projects as it has been suggested by Mr Johnson. The only large expense to come out of the Parish Councils reserves this year will be the adoption and resurfacing of the village car park. This is a vital community asset. Cornwall Council will not do the work required and it would continue to deteriorate if the Parish Council had not stepped in. Cornwall Council has given the PC £8,000 towards the work and the PC will be contributing £13,771. The car park should then require little or no work for many years.</p> <p>This is a large expense for the Parish Council, but it is our responsibility to provide and maintain assets such as these for our community. It is vital that the car park is adequately maintained as it is used by a large section of the Community, including parents at school drop off and pick up times, people attending Church Services and events, people visiting Open Doors and it is used as overnight parking by local residents. The Parish Council will be putting aside £1000 per year for its future maintenance. So, when work is required in the future there will be a reserve set aside to pay for the work. To put that in perspective that is an approximate cost per household of 50p per year.</p>	
8	Motion at Item 8 was deferred to a later date.	
9	<p>Motion for the clerk to be able to order grit bins to be refilled when necessary</p> <p>Proposed Chairman, seconded B Seage agreed unanimously</p>	

10	Motion to allow St Cleer FC to move the green container and convert to a Tea Hut Proposed C Sargeant, seconded B Smith and passed unanimously	
11	Motion to allow Chair of Estates to have key to the oil gauge cupboard Proposed D Watson, seconded P Lockley passed unanimously	
12	Motion to purchase a poppy wreath from the RBL. It was noted that a donation of £25 is usually made for this. Proposed D Watson, seconded B Seage passed unanimously.	
13	<p>Report from Cornwall Council</p> <p>Cllr M Eddy said that CC are in the process of agreeing their budget for 2019-20. The budget is flatlining with pressures building due to inflation, an ageing demographic and wage rises. It is therefore likely that staff numbers will be further reduced (hopefully by means of natural wastage). There is a £2.5M deficit for the coming year and a £700K for the following one.</p> <p>He was trying to find a solution to the speeding problems reported directly to him as well as to the PC. He campaigns to educate people in this regard and promised a footpath sign for the road to Penhale. He suggested the purchase of a speed movable Speed Monitor and requesting action by Speedwatch.</p> <p>He has put in a bid for bollards at Clairemont Place to prevent parking on the pavements and that will be decided at next week's Liskeard and Looe Community Network meeting.</p> <p>There had been complaints regarding the letter from CC to Holiday Let owners saying that all waste from these should be commercial waste and should not be put out as household waste. He has been in contact with the owners.</p> <p>He had been working with the Trustees of the Old Liberal Building and CC in an effort to ensure a good outcome to the crushed roof and had circulated the reports from the meeting in the Churchyard with the Forestry officers, to residents in the area affected.</p> <p>Following a question from C Sargeant regarding the cattle grid on St Cleer Common he reported that Environment Health were unable to take enforcement action against CC. a suggestion was made that the grid should be removed entirely and he stated that that would need the agreement of St Cleer and District Commoners and that they should be consulted before any action was suggested.</p>	
14	<p>Traffic issues</p> <p>P Lockley spoke of the pressures of speed, junctions, pedestrians, horse riders and other road users on road safety. He offered to collate all reported incidents and proposed that all such should be reported to him. This was seconded by the Chairman and passed unanimously.</p> <p>B Seage asked whether there were plans for road rationalisation as the many small lanes that did not serve properties was a drain on resources.</p>	

15	<p>Planning</p> <p>PA18/02658/PREAPP was noted</p> <p>PA18/08962 Support was proposed by C Sargeant, seconded by B Seage and passed unanimously</p> <p>PA18/02468/PREEAPP was noted</p> <p>PA18/09099 Support was proposed by C Sargeant, seconded by P Lockley and passed unanimously</p>	
	<p>The letter from the planning officer regarding PA18/06009 - Lyell Cottage, Crows Nest was discussed and B Seage proposed the following reply</p> <p>Having discussed the issue, there is no doubt in the minds of the St Cleer Parish Councillors that an overtly 21st Century extension and addition to a 19th Century cottage in a World Heritage Site (WHS) should not be allowed. The WHS has cultural, historical and scientific significance and as such is protected by international treaties to which the UK is a signatory.</p> <p>The Cornwall & West Devon Mining Landscape WHS Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), to which Cornwall Council is a signatory, requires planners to seek specialist advice and to consider the site as a whole and the relationship between (assets) buildings and landscape. When considering the Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) it is vital to protect the authenticity of the site. External modernisation of a cottage within the WHS does not meet this requirement. The SPD directs planners to seek specialist advice. Cornwall Council took advice that advised against giving consent to planning and then rejected it. The WHS Officer and St Cleer Parish Council are as one in believing that the proposed changes to Lyell Cottage should not receive planning permission</p> <p>St Cleer Parish Council is not against improvements and changes at Lyell Cottage, but the design, manner and extent of the changes and the materials used must be absolutely such that they are appropriate to the setting of a WHS and contribute to the OUV of the site by not damaging the authenticity of the site in any way.</p> <p>Having examined PA18/06009 St Cleer Parish Council requests that the Head of Planning calls the planning application to the appropriate planning committee for their consideration.</p> <p>This was seconded by the Chairman and passed unanimously</p>	
16	Financial report None	
17	Receipts and Payments	

PAYEE	REASON	GROSS	VAT	NET
Microshade VSM	Data Protection	325.00		325.00
Kevin Rice	Estates – Notice boards and benches	216.00		216.00
Bridge Academy	Darite playing field	£350.00		£350.00

Information Commis- sioner	Data Protection Fee (Direct Debit)	40.00		40.00
Rialtas	IT Pa ckage for accounts			639.00
Rialtas	Milage Cost	TBC		
RBL Wreath	Remembrance Da y	£25.00		£25.00
Salaries				
Rialtas Pa yment	deferred until final bill including mileage is re ceived			
CREDITOR	REASON	GROSS	VAT	NET
Groundwork UK	NDP	5340.00		5340.00

Future Meetings:

Forthcoming Meetings						
Month (at 7.15pm)	Full Council	FGP	Estates	Employment	APM 7 pm	Cor
Chair© SH Vice Chair AW	All CLERK	DW©, MS, BS, SH, AW CLERK	SxH, AW, CS, TT © CLERK	AW, SH©, DW, CS, TT, BS	ALL CLERK	SH
September	26 th	12 th 7.30	19	19 th 6.30		
October	24 th		10 th			
November	28 th	14 th (Pre cept)				
December	19 th					
January 2019	23 rd		9 th			
February	27 th	13th		TBC		
March	27 th		13 th			
April	24	10				
May	22		8		22	
June	26	12				
July	24		10			
August	TBC 28					
September	25	11				
October	23		9			
November	27	13		TBC		
December	18					
January 2020	22		8			
February	26	12				
March	25		11			