

# ST GERMANS PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at the Polbathic Hall on Monday 2 September 2019 at 7.00pm

### Present

Tideford Ward: Cllr D Carter and Cllr L Gomersall  
Polbathic Ward: Cllr S Barnes and Cllr R Elliott  
St Germans Ward: Cllr N Witton and Cllr G Mackeen  
Bethany Ward: Cllr P Pipe and Cllr P Chilton  
Cornwall Council Cllr J Foot

### **1. Declarations of Interests and Requests for Dispensations** *(a member may not participate in any discussion or vote upon a matter at the meeting in which he/she has a disclosable pecuniary interest).*

- 1.1 To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda
  - 1.2 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)
  - 1.3 To grant any requests for dispensations as appropriate
- None received.

### **Public Participation for a maximum of 15 minutes in total** *(for the public to comment on the items below)*

One member of the public were present.

### **2. Apologies for absence** (members who cannot attend a meeting shall tender their apologies to the Parish Clerk prior to the meeting. The members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence shall be accepted).

Apologies received from Cllr Skelton. Approved by all.

### **3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 29 July 2019** (to approve the minutes as a correct record)

It was proposed by Cllr Barnes and seconded by Cllr Chilton that the minutes be approved. All were in favour. The minutes were signed by Cllr Pipe.

### **4. Councillors Reports**

#### **4.1 Cornwall Councillor Foot – report on all relevant matters**

On the 10<sup>th</sup> September Cllr Foot is taking a motion to Cornwall Council's full council meeting asking for a review to be carried out on the 1972 Local Government Act to allow remote voting to take place.

Cllr Foot also mentioned that the Environmental representative at Cornwall Council for air quality has moved on to a new role. Cllr Foot has asked A38 householders on the A38 houses to ask if they would participate in emissions testing. A positive response was received. Next air quality meeting is scheduled for 18<sup>th</sup> September.

Cllr Foot is continuing to engage in the Safe 38 project.

There is a Re-consultation about dogs on beaches – please respond to this if you are interested.

Climate emergency and what we can do as a Parish Council to support the emergency. Clerk

to see [www.drawdown.org](http://www.drawdown.org) and read Cornwall Councils pledge/suggested steps to then sign up for regular updates.

**5. Planning Applications** (*please view all applications at <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/planning/online-planning-register/>*)

The following applications have been received by Cornwall Council:

**5.1.1 PA19/02003/PREAPP** – Tyhanner Old Road Polbathic – Pre-application advice for the construction of 3 or 4 bedroom dwellings over 2 storeys to offer living space for family members and visitors within the option to use as a rental property in the future. (Information only). Noted.

**5.2 Planning Applications received after publication of this agenda**

**5.2.1 PA19/07165 – Meadow Farm, Cutcrew Lane** – Certificate of Lawfulness for continued occupation of the dwelling in breach of Condition 5 of the original permission - Noted.

**5.2.2 PA19/07505 – Ty Winch Newport** – Tree maintenance – (Information only) Noted

**5.3 Planning Appeals** – Received by the date of this meeting

**5.4 Planning Decisions** - The following decisions were made by Cornwall Council:

**5.4.1 PA19/05143 Barapill, Trerulefoot**

Change of use of a redundant rural building to a dwelling (Class C3). **Approved 14/08/19.** Noted.

**5.5 Planning Correspondence and Reports**

**5.5.1** Planning Conference – Callington Town hall – 5 December 4 - 8.30pm – Noted.

**5.6 Planning matters raised by Members**

**5.6.1** Payphone kiosk removal consultation – Proposed by Cllr Witton that the Parish Council adopt the kiosk for £1.00. This was seconded by Cllr Chilton. All in favour.

**6. Finance** (*details for 6.1 and 6.2 will be given out at the meeting*)

**6.1** To note and approve the current financial position.

The bank reconciliation sheet and bank statement was distributed to all Councillors and Cllr Carter proposed this is approved. This was seconded by Cllr Chilton. All in favour.

**6.2** To authorise payments on the income and expenditure schedule.

The income and expenditure schedule was distributed to all Councillors. It was proposed by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Witton to approve the schedule. All in favour.

**6.3** To schedule a Finance Committee meeting – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 1.30pm in the Eliot hall.

**6.4** New bank account(s) – noted.

**6.5 Requests for spending**

**6.5.1** Litter bin emptying - £4.50 per week per bin (Treland and Tideford). £36.00 per month (Biffa). The Clerk was asked to look into recycling options and to report back (ideally with 2 quotations.)

### **6.5.2** Second weed control treatment £266.00 + VAT

It was proposed by Cllr Witton and seconded by Cllr Carter to accept and proceed. All in favour.

**7. Burial ground** – non-standard requests – Clerk explained some of the possibilities. Clerk to talk to Cllr Foot and report back to the Committee.

**8. Matters arising from the previous minutes** (not appearing elsewhere on the agenda, but decisions cannot be made)

**8.1** Clerk was asked to report overgrown hedges on Old Quay Lane (Old Vicarage and The White House). Also Church Street in the village.

### **8.2 Highways – ongoing issues**

**8.2.1** A38 Tideford Feasibility report feedback – The comments will be read by all and discussed at the next months' meeting.

**8.2.2** Polbathic speed devices – update – Clerk has sent payment and will liaise with Highways to gauge timescales. Clerk to also get the area for Torpoint to Trerulefoot VAS clear of weeds, debris, etc.

### **8.3 Highways – new issues**

#### **8.4 Playparks**

**8.4.1 St Germans** – It was proposed by Cllr Witton to accept quotation number 11 (£60.00), 12 (£8-£120.00) and 13 (£60.00 each time) for Treland Park dated 31/08/2019. This was seconded by Cllr Chilton. All in favour.

Cllr Mackeen will do the next inspection.

**8.4.2 Tideford** – It was proposed by Cllr Witton to accept quotation number 1 (£450.00) dated 31/08/19 and number 4 (£300.00) for Tideford Park. This was seconded by Cllr Carter. All in favour.

Site meeting to take place with Cllr Gomersall, Cllr Barnes, Cllr Witton and Cllr Carter on 18<sup>th</sup> September along with training of Cllr Elliott.

Cllr Carter and Cllr Elliott to do the next inspections.

### **8.5 Initiatives to reduce plastic use**

Cllr Gomersall expressed an interest to be the community leader. He will read and research and report back at the next meeting.

**8.6 Dogs on beaches consultation** Noted no further comment.

**8.7 Nut Tree** – Cllr Witton to do the next entry.

**8.8 Missing post box in Bethany** – Postbox damaged and removed in Bethany. Clerk to write to Post Office to chase up reinstatement.

**8.9 New community enforcement tool** – Cllrs to be trained by Clerk in October.

### **8.10 Millennium Gardens lease renewal**

Cllr Mackeen proposed to accept the motion. Cllr Witton seconded. All in favour with 1 abstention.

### **8.11 Tideford Park lease renewal**

Cllr Carter proposed to accept the motion. Cllr Gomersall seconded. All in favour.

**8.12 Public traffic consultations** – Cllr Witton asked for the Highways meeting notes and he will make an entry in the next Nut Tree.

**8.13 Community led housing presentation** – 8, 9, 15 or 16 October 5pm. Clerk to arrange.

**8.14 Appointment to Cornwall Council Standards Committee** – Cllr Pipe, Cllr Carter and Cllr Gomersall expressed an interest. Clerk to find out time commitments, meetings.

**8.15 Community Governance Review – Stage 2** – noted.

**8.16 Community Projects as a result of the Community Benefit Contribution relating to the land at Trequite**

**8.16.1** The balance remaining £5779.53\

Cllr Witton to ask for suggestions for using this money in the Nut Tree.

**9. Correspondence Received**

**9.1** July Localism monthly report – noted.

**9.2** NALC newsletter – noted.

**9.3** Tamar Crossings newsletter – noted.

**9.4** Superfast Cornwall update – noted.

**9.5** Drop in sessions St Barnabas Community Hospital Saltash – noted.

**10. Urgent Business raised by Ward members and admitted by the Chair**

Meeting closed at 9.21pm.

Signed as a true record of the meeting.....

Chairperson

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Date