

ST GERMANS PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the October Parish Council meeting held at the Royal British Legion on Tuesday 2 November 2021 at 6.30pm

Present

Tideford Ward: Cllr A Hodge and Cllr N Griffin
Polbathic Ward: Cllr S Barnes and Cllr L Stroud
St Germans Ward: Cllr R Elliott, Cllr N Witton, Cllr B Skelton and Cllr G Mackeen
Bethany Ward: Cllr P Chilton and Cllr P Pipe
Cornwall Council Cllr K Ewert

08.21/1 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 To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda

/2 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (*for which a motion must be passed*)

/3 To grant any requests for dispensations as appropriate

Declarations were made by Cllr Stroud on 08.21/12/2 and Cllr Hodge on 08.21/7/1.

Public Participation for a maximum of 15 minutes in total (*for the public to comment only on the items below. Anything else please email the clerk*)

There were no members of the public present.

08.21/2 Apologies for absence – everyone was present.

08.21/3 Approval of Minutes of the September Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 5 October 2021 (to approve the minutes as a correct record).

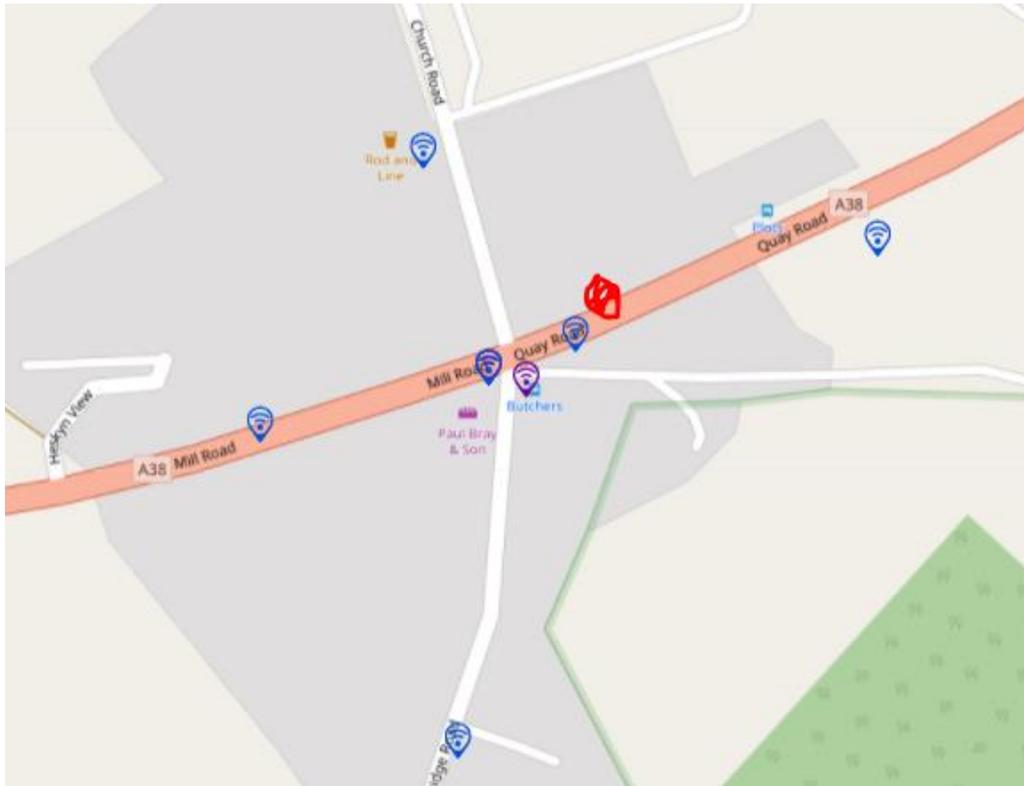
It was proposed by Cllr Mackeen to approve the minutes, this was seconded by Cllr Elliott. Approved by all. The minutes were signed by Cllr Pipe.

08.21/4 Councillor Reports

/1 Cornwall Councillor Kate Ewert

St Germans specific

Tideford Air Quality – We now have taken up of 16 of the 18 targeted properties which is an excellent achievement. Thanks once again to Mr Fleckney and Cllr Hodge for their assistance. I had an air quality meeting this week, where I was updated on the progress. The outdoor monitors have been installed and are live. There are 5 in all situated as shown below. Plus 1 ANPR camera to track the types of vehicles. I was given a brief look at the ‘god dashboard’ which showed live data – the air quality team are in the process of making this accessible before supplying stakeholders with access to the dashboard.



It has been decided to only install the AQ monitors in 6 houses for the first part of the project, roughly close to where the outside monitors are. There will be an update newsletter delivered to all the houses in the next week.

A38 update – we were updated on the A38 Carkeel to Trerulefoot improvements last week as well – obviously this was the 1st update I have attended so have nothing to compare it to. They talked about the offline improvements past Tideford, Landrake and the railway bridge – but couldn't give any specifics while land negotiations are still ongoing. Online improvements to include fixed and average speed cameras, reduction of speed limits and improvements to bus facilities. We discussed the safety issues at Trerulefoot which they are keen to explore and improve. They highlighted that they needed local stakeholders to help build the business case for offline road improvements.

An update to the school bus saga – I am very pleased to report that the school bus team have agreed to reroute the bus so that it now starts and stops in Polbathic before heading to Looe School, picking up the St Germans children that attend the school.

I have been contacted by several residents concerned about drug dealing within St Germans – I have encouraged them to use the report function on the Devon & Cornwall Police website to report anonymously as they were very concerned about reprisals.

The landlord of the Halfway House has asked me to meet him regarding flooding in the village, and an issue with the drains in particular – Cllr Stroud has also contacted me about the same.

Saltash Leisure Centre – I attended the protest on Saturday in Saltash with all the other Cornwall Cllrs whose residents are users of the centre. It was well attended with approx. 250 there. The consultation is now closed, but we are hopeful that a way forward will be found to keep the centre open.

/2 RPPTUG

Report to St Germans Parish Council on RAME PENINSULA PUBLIC TRANSPORT USERS GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING Tuesday 19th October 2021

A query was raised about unbalanced calls of the 75 bus at Shevioc: 3 buses to Torpoint each weekday, but only one call in the other direction - and this one only on schooldays. Laurence Mayhew, the Go Cornwall Bus representative, promised to investigate. The St Germans & Rame Integrated Public Transport Scheme was discussed. It was reported that the survey was likely to begin in March 2022, and would be followed by an analysis of the responses and dissemination of the findings. The scheme received unanimous approval. It was noted that Cornwall needed to submit its Bus Service Improvement Plan by the end of October. It is mandatory that BSIPs seek and report the views of passengers and third parties on the merits and demerits of bus services locally and the performance of the LTA and local operators. These should include local transport users' groups. Lee Quinney (Cornwall Council) stated that Cornwall Council are working on a low fare pilot scheme presently. It is hoped that this will be launched next year to get people back on buses. Various suggested improvements to bus services in the Rame peninsula were put to Cornwall Council and Go Cornwall bus representatives. It was reported that National Express coaches have resumed Cornwall services, and it was noted that it is vital that these long -distance coach services continue to be available for local residents who may be unable to afford train travel. Various bus stop improvements were commented on. It was reported that there were on-going discussions about the siting of the ones at Kernow Mill. It was suggested that the problem of siting one at Trerulefoot itself might be resolved by siting it on the south side of the roundabout, between the A374 and the lane to Bake. This was thought to be a promising way forward, and should avoid the Highways England problem.

/3 SARS

Cllr Hodge attended this meeting. The Tamar Bridge resurfacing work has been completed although they will be doing work to the pivots and lighting. It was mentioned that Speed Watch is now being run by Hilary Frank in conjunction with Sgt Ian Chilcock. There is to be an A38 public consultation in February 2022. VisionZero South West has possible funding available for small safety initiatives. Resurfacing works are starting now in Saltash high street. North Road is going to have speed cameras installed. The next meeting is in February 2022.

08.21/5 Planning Applications (please view all applications at <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/planning/online-planning-register/>)

/1 Application PA21/10521

Proposal Reserved matters application for construction of 19 dwellings and landscaping following outline approval PA17/12198

Location Former Iron Works Site Polbathic Torpoint Cornwall

Grid Ref 234862 / 56845

It was proposed by Cllr Stroud to support this application with consideration being given to 1 or 2 properties being accessible to all; South West Water being clearly consulted on the increase in foul drainage on the existing sewage system; and a CEMP being put in place PRIOR to the commencement of work. Seconded by Cllr Chilton. 9 in favour with 1 abstention.

08.21/6 Planning Applications received after publication of this agenda

/1 Application PA21/08419

Proposal Construction of agricultural shed as covered dung store

Location Penewin Farm Trerulefoot

Grid Ref 232095/59634

It was proposed by Cllr Witton to support this application. Seconded by Cllr Mackeen.

All in favour.

08.21/7 Planning Appeals – Received by the date of this meeting

1/ Application PA21/01719

Proposal Outline application for construction of two dwellings and associated works with all matters reserved. (Resubmission of PA20/08555).

Location Agricultural Shed At Tideford Cross Cornwall

Cornwall Council decision: Refused.

It was proposed by Cllr Witton to not add anything further to the previous objection.

Seconded by Cllr Skelton. Agreed by 9 with 1 abstention.

08.21/8 Planning Decisions – None.

08.21/9 Planning Correspondence and Reports – None.

08.21/10 Planning matters raised by councillors – Cllr Hodge and Cllr Skelton asked about an historical enforcement in Tideford Cross.

Cllr Chilton left the meeting.

08.21/11 Finance

/1 To note & approve the current financial position on all accounts

Current financial position - Bank Reconciliation for Lloyds Treasurers account

Local Council Name – **St Germans Parish Council**

County - **Cornwall**

Financial period ending 12 October 2021

Prepared by: Mrs Emily Young (Parish Clerk)

Date: 2 November 2021

Balance per bank statement as at 12.10.2021

Treasurers Account

£

108,109.73

£

Less: unpresented cheques as at 12 October 2021

From Treasurers Account only

Cheque number	Details	Amount £
000878	Eliot hall hire 5/10 & 10/11/2021	42.00
000879	PKF Littlejohn - external auditor yr end ed 31 March 2021	360.00
000880	C.Council PE legal fees July 21. Inv no 8100167444 (Cheque raised in error as paid previous month. No 872)	0.00
000881	PMP NutTree Oct 21 edition	147.63
000882	C.Council PE legal fees Jan 21. Inv no 8100100256	671.65
000883	The Play Inspection Co - annual inspections on two playparks	162.00
000884	Annual insurance renewal - Pen Underwriting Ltd - cheque amended and bank counter refused to accept	0.00

£1,383.28

Net bank balance as at 12 October 21 £106,726.45
 Balance per Clerks sheet as at 12 October 21 £106,726.45

Current financial position - Bank Reconciliation for Lloyds Instant Savings account

Local Council Name – St Germans Parish Council

County - Cornwall

Financial period ending 12 October 2021

Prepared by: Mrs Emily Young (Parish Clerk)

Date: 2 November 2021

Balance £ £
 Instant Account 40,004.32

Less: unpresented cheques as at 12 October 2021

From Instant Account only

Cheque number	Details	Amount
No cheques		

(£0.00)

Net bank balance as at 12 October 21 £40,004.32

Balance per Clerks sheet as at 12 Oct 21 £40,004.32

Current financial position - Bank Reconciliation for Nat West Community Current account

Local Council Name – St Germans Parish Council

County - Cornwall

Financial period ending 12 October 2021

Prepared by: Mrs Emily Young (Parish Clerk)

Date: 2 November 2021

Balance as at 12.10.2021 £ £
 Current account 80,000.00

Less: unpresented cheques as at 12 October 2021

From current account only

Cheque number	Details	Amount
No cheques		

(£0.00)

Net bank balance as at 12 October 21 £80,000.00

Balance per Clerks sheet as at 12 Oct 21 £80,000.00

The bank reconciliations were distributed to all councillors. Cllr Hodge proposed these are all approved. This was seconded by Cllr Stroud. All in favour.

/2 To authorise payments on the income & expenditure schedule for this month

Income & expenditure for St Germans Parish Council 2 November 2021

EXPENDITURE Date	Details	Gross (£)	VAT (£)	Nett (£)	Cheque No (if applicable)
02.11.21	Clerk's October 2021	£32.60	Nil	£32.60	885

	expenses				
21.10.21	Clerk's September 2021 salary+ processing fees	£1039.20	£4.00	£1,043.20	D.D
16.10.21	Clerk's Pension £40.00 (£20.00 Parish Council, £20.00 Parish Clerk)	£40.80	Nil	£40.80	D.D
22.10.21	£12.00 Clerk's mobile	£10.00	£2.00	£12.00	D.D
16.10.21	Southern Electric – Tideford lighting	£6.05	.30p	£6.35	D.D
02.11.21	Tideford RBL hire 2.11.21 @ £30.00	£30.00	Nil	£30.00	886
02.11.21	South West Play – new net for Treland. Inv SI-5025	£318.00	£63.60	£381.60	887
02.11.21	WesternWeb – Screen adapter cable. Inv 22766	£19.87	£3.97	£23.84	888
02.11.21	Tom Cox – 2 felled trees at burial ground	£250.00	Nil	£250.00	889
02.11.21	Cornwall Council PE lease legal work Aug. Inv 8100177121	£71.40	£14.28	£85.68	890
02.11.21	WesternWeb – reinstall printer and fix. Inv 22778	£22.50	£4.50	£27.00	891
02.11.21	Arthur J Gallagher – insurance renewal (re-issue of previous chqe as not accepted).	£1513.32	Nil	£1513.32	892

INCOME

Date	Details	Amount(£)
21.10.21	Ugalde – Rowe interment	£500.00

The income and expenditure schedule was distributed to all councillors. It was proposed by Cllr Hodge to approve the schedule, seconded by Cllr Elliott. Approved by all. The cheque signatories are Cllr Mackeen and Cllr Pipe.

/3 Grass and tree contracts/contractors – It was proposed by Cllr Witton to roll over the two existing contractors for another 12 months. Seconded by Cllr Barnes. Agreed by all.

08.21/12 Request for spending

/1 Bindweed at burial ground – deferred to next meeting as waiting on a 2nd quotation.
Cllr Stroud left the meeting.

/2 St Germans and Rame integrated public transport scheme - £300.00 grant request –
It was proposed by Cllr Witton to support the request. Seconded by Cllr Skelton. Agreed by all. (Local Government & Rating Act 1997, s.26-29).

**Cllr Stroud returned to the meeting.
Cllr Ewert & Cllr Witton left the meeting.**

/3 PPG Quay Lane Surgery £1,000.00 urgent medical equipment request – It was proposed by Cllr Skelton to support this request as it is Covid related. Seconded by Cllr Chilton. Agreed by all. (Section 137).

08.21/13 Burial ground

/1 To note interment of Mrs Rowe – Noted.

08.21/14 Matters arising from the previous minutes (*problems or questions from a previous meeting to be discussed*)

/1 Bus stop at Trerulefoot and safety – Cllr Stroud would like to see what solution is proposed by Cornwall Council/the bus company.

/2 Cyclists Trerulefoot – Cllr Stroud said about perhaps approaching Sustrans about a safe crossing.

/3 St Germans Rec – Cllr Stroud to do further research and report back. Clerk to invite recreation committee to next PC meeting.

Cllr Witton returned to the meeting.

08.21/15 Highways – ongoing issues

/1 A38 – World Health Organisation recently announced some new air quality standards.

Cllr Pipe left the meeting.

Cllr Mackeen left the meeting.

08.21/16 Highways – new issues

/1 St Germans – Polbathic path – Cllr Stroud – deferred to a later date.

Cllr Pipe returned.

Cllr Mackeen returned.

/2 Polbathic car park – Cllr Witton to look into this as a potential option and report back.

08.21/17 Playparks

/1 St Germans & annual inspection report – Annual inspection report points were highlighted and noted. Cllr Witton to do the next weekly inspections.

/2 Tideford & annual inspection report – Annual inspection report points to be addressed were discussed and noted by relevant parties. Cllr Hodge to carry on with weekly inspections.

08.21/18 Lease renewals with Port Eliot – It was proposed by Cllr Barnes that the Clerk no longer chases this up to avoid an ever-increasing bill. Cllr Stroud seconded. All in favour.

08.21/19 Bethany Chapel – With Cllr Barnes.

08.21/20 Cards for the elderly – Cllr Chilton. Noted and to be raised in the next Nut Tree.

08.21/21 Nut Tree – Cllr Pipe to do the next entry.

08.21/22 Adoption of new Code of Conduct and training – Cllr Witton proposed the new code is adopted. Seconded by Cllr Hodge. All in favour.

08.21/23 Millennium gardens – The Clerk was asked to obtain a quotation for relaying some of the raised paving slabs. Proposed by Cllr Elliott seconded by Cllr Stroud. 8 for, 1 abstained and 1 against.

08.21/24 Tamara landscape partnership scheme – noted.

08.21/25 CIL payment - Balance £2,143.56 Expires 7 May 2025. To be used to support the development of the local council's area, or any part of that area, by funding: a) the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure: or b) anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area. (CIL Regulation 59C). **Noted.**

08.21/26 Correspondence

/1 Cornwall's Transport Plan consultation (closes Christmas Eve) – Noted.

/2 Citizens Advice Autumn newsletter – Noted.

/3 Queens platinum Jubilee beacons letter – Noted.

/4 Let's Talk Climate Action event – 8 November 2021 – Noted.

/5 Let's Talk Rubbish – community survey – Noted.

08.21/27 Urgent business raised by ward members and admitted by the Chair

* Cllr Witton said the employment committee can be left until early 2022.

* Cllr Hodge confirmed that William Johnstone, who was awarded the third ever Victoria Cross for heroism in the Crimean campaign will be remembered at the Remembrance Sunday service at the Royal British Legion, Tideford on 14th November.

Meeting closed at 8:45pm.

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

Chairperson

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Date