

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 21<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER 2016**  
**AT ST. ALLEN CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. Mc. Culloch (Chairman)  
Cllr. Littler (Vice Chairman)  
Cllr. Hare  
Cllr. Hicks  
Cllr. Orrell  
Cllr. Wootton  
Cllr Eathorne – Gibbons (Cornwall Councillor)  
Miss J Ritchie (Clerk)

In Attendance : 10 members of the public

Apologies: Cllr Prowse

*These Minutes are a draft and subject to ratification at the next meeting*

1. Suggestions from Members of the Public

- 1.1 Every resident of Henvor Lane expressed their concern with the volume and speed of commuter traffic continuing to use the road as a rat run, which makes it difficult to access their driveways morning and evening. Cyclists and pedestrians using the lane are also at risk. It was proposed that Henvor Lane is shut off at the Scotland Road end, as part of the forthcoming A30 improvements. A vote was taken on the proposal : 8 members of the public in favour, no-one against. Cllr. Eathorne-Gibbons suggested an interim closure of Henvor Lane is needed to address the immediate problem. He will discuss this option with Highways England.
- 1.2 A local farmer /businessman expressed his concern at the devastation to some businesses and farms that would be caused by the new A30, and the loss of jobs and business that had previously been created. He noted that the proposed route would cut off Marazanvose and Trevalso Lane from the rest of the Parish and will block off existing cycle paths, bridleways and footpaths. It seems that the proposed plans are ignoring the local community.
- 1.3 A local farmer / businessman feels strongly that the existing A30 should be used for the new scheme. To create a new expressway would cause bottlenecks at Chiverton and Carland. He suggested that Henvor Lane should be closed at the Scotland Road end and a new junction created at Boxheater and was concerned as to how the new road would encourage Shortlanesend traffic to turn onto the A30 and not go through Zelah.

2. Minutes of the Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016

- 2.1 Minutes of previous meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman, with one amendment : Item 13.3 – the Parish Council would make a donation towards the Christmas lights but not a 50/50 donation.

3.

Matters arising from the previous minutes

- 3.1 Phone Box: Ongoing.

- 3.2 ZVCA invoice Re: £500 donation. Clerk has still received no invoice from the group.
- 3.3 Although the Parish Council supported a recent application for a new dwelling at Rosehill, Cost-is-Lost, Cornwall Planning intends to refuse permission and has asked the Parish Council to consider its response. After some discussion it was agreed to uphold our original decision to support the application. Clerk to advise Planning.
- 3.4 Stile at Balstyle : LMP have agreed to add this to next year's footpath schedule as a one-off repair.
- 3.5 Street Cleaning and hedge Cutting : Cornwall Council should be able to pay a remuneration for the previous two years work if we provide an extract from our accounts of how much we have spent on this.
- 3.6 Xmas Carols evening : 14<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm. Cllrs McCulloch and Hare had met with the landlady of the Hawkins Arms to agree the menu for refreshments. It was confirmed the Parish Council will provide food only at the cost of £200.

#### 4. Police Matters

- 4.1 Clerk has had no contact. Cllr. McCulloch has spoken to the Inspector at Truro station, who will investigate on our behalf.

#### 5. Cornwall Council Matters

- 5.1 Electoral Review: Cllr. Eathorne-Gibbons reported that three options for Councillor numbers will be presented for consideration by the Boundary Commission : 85, 96 or 107. Their decision will be known by next February.
- 5.2 It is proposed that a 1.9% - 2% increase is made, mainly to cover the increased costs of social care. No objection is anticipated.
- 5.3 The social care budget will be looked at in detail and business plans discussed for the forthcoming year.

#### 6. Planning

- 6.1 There were no declarations of interest.
- 6.2 Application No: PA16/10138 : Application for demolition of existing barn and chalet and construction of new dwelling and detached garage at Tolcarne Chalet, St Allen was supported unanimously.
- 6.3 Application No. PA16/10040 : Application for change of use from self-contained domestic annex to holiday let and domestic annex at Tretherras Farm, St Allen was supported unanimously.

#### 7. Update on A30 improvements – Carland to Chiverton Cross

- 7.1 The Parish council drafted a letter of proposal to Highways England, to cover suggestions we wish to make regarding the planned A30 route. This also includes some issues raised by members of the public (item 1). Proposed : Cllr McCulloch; Seconded : Cllr. Wootton. All in favour of the letter being sent.

#### 8. Village Improvements

- 8.1 The hedge behind the fruit trees has been trimmed.
- 8.2 It was agreed to clear and tidy the overgrowth at the top of Two Burrow Hill. Clerk to bring TMS costings to next meeting. Cllr. McCulloch to get price for hire of mini digger and price for camellias (or similar large shrubs).
- 8.3 Playing Field : Cllr. Hare reported dome damage/wear to the zipwire and rocking crocodile and will obtain a quote to repair same. It was unanimously agreed to carry out the repairs (up to a maximum of £1000).
- 8.4 Xmas Lights : ZVCA have requested a donation towards this year's display. Discussion took place and a £75 donation was agreed unanimously.

9. Website  
9.1 Cllr. Hare can arrange for a photographer to provide scenes of the Parish, if required. Clerk to attend website training.
10. Precept 2017/18  
10.1 To be discussed at the December meeting.
11. Correspondence  
11.1 LMP/SLA questionnaire – Clerk to complete.  
11.2 Cornwall Rural Housing Assn – request for volunteer Councillors to be on the board of Trustees. Details with Clerk.  
11.3 Vicar of St Allen has requested a donation towards the Garden of Remembrance in the Churchyard. Discussion took place and it was felt that as a Parish Council we cannot spend public money on a church-based project. One way of donating to this could be for the Parish Council to offer an increased monthly meeting hall rent.
12. Finance/ Accounts  
12.1 Payments to be made in November 2016 :

Date	Cheque Number	Payee	Details	Amount
21/11/16	101270	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax on Clerk's Wages	£ 55.00
21/11/16	101271	J. Ritchie	Clerk's Wages (Nett)	£ 220.00
21/11/16	101272	Team Maintenance Services	Maintenance Contract October (Invoice 203390)	£ 495.00
21/11/16	101273	Western Web Ltd	Website Development (Invoice 19157)	£ 440.40
21/11/16	101274	Team Maintenance Services	Extra Maintenance (Invoice 203420)	£ 210.00
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1420.40</b>

HSBC Community Account 1/11/16 £ 23,241.29  
HSBC Business Account 1/9/16 £ 5,591.24  
Nationwide Investment (New Hall Fund) £ 22,654.70

**Total** £ 51,487.23

A.O.B.

- 13.1 Truro 2017 - Cllr. Hare has organisation & photos in hand.  
13.2 Parish Plan : Cllr. Hare has tried to contact Guy Thomas but had no response. Cllr. Eathorne-Gibbons to follow up.

Next Meeting : TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> December 2016 St. Allen Church 7.30 pm

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