

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2018**  
**AT ST. ALLEN CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. Mc. Culloch (Chairman)  
Cllr. Hicks  
Cllr. Mewton  
Cllr. Orrell  
Cllr. Wilson  
Cllr. Wootton

Miss J Ritchie (Clerk)

Apologies : Cllr. Hare

In Attendance: Cllr Eathorne-Gibbons  
3 Members of the Public

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

1. Suggestions from Members of the Public

1.1 Residents of Henvor Lane advised the meeting that parishioners generally would prefer the choice of venue for the Parish Council's A30 consultation meeting to be in or close to Zelah village. This was noted.

2. Minutes of the Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017

2.1 Minutes of previous meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising from the previous minutes

3.1 The replacement camellia has not been planted yet but this is imminent.

3.2 A letter has been sent to ZVCA regarding the container unit and the wooden signs. Councillor Hicks confirmed that the group has plans already in hand for the sign refurbishment.

3.3 Highways England will attend the Parish Council's February meeting.

4. Police Matters

4.1 No Police report received.

4.2 A meeting for Parish Councillors is to be held at Truro Police Station on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February, to discuss any policing issues the Parish Council may have. Cllr. Orrell to attend.

5. Cornwall Council Matters

5.1 Cllr. Eathorne-Gibbons advised that the Council's previous budget deficit has been balanced using extra funds from Central Government, the increase in Council Tax for

2018/19 and by achieving cost savings. The final position will be confirmed at Cabinet in February.

- 5.2 CORSERV's Business Plan has been finalised and a replacement MD is being chosen.
- 5.3 The 2021 Boundary Review is in the process of being finalised. This will reduce the number of Cornwall Councillors from 123 to 87.
- 5.4 The Chairman advised the meeting that Cormac are unable to issue buckets of tarmac to the Parish Council for their own pothole repairs as it will be more cost-efficient for them to carry out the work themselves, providing we report which areas need attention. Discussion followed and it was agreed the Chairman should request repairs to Church Lane and repair / clearance to the Shortlanesend Road at Llama Land, where the road is eroded at the side and the drainage ditches are full.

## 6. Planning

- 6.1 Councillor Wilson declared an interest in application PA17/11864 as the applicant is a neighbour but also advised the meeting that she has already spoken to the applicant on matters concerning her with this application.
- 6.2 Application PA17/11864 : 2 storey rear extension; single storey front extension; internal reconfiguration; 2 Church Lane, Zelah, TR4 9JA  
Proposed : Cllr Hicks, Seconded : Cllr Orrell that the Parish Council supports the application. A vote was taken; all in favour.

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

- 7.1 Highways England are holding a six-week Public Consultation of their revised plans, starting on 25<sup>th</sup> January. The Chairman suggested that we hold a Parish-led consultation prior to the February Parish Council meeting. Discussion followed and it was agreed to hold the Parish Consultation on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February and move the Parish Council meeting, which Highways England would be attending, to Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February. Chairman to check that Highways England are satisfied with this arrangement.
- 7.2 A parishioner had expressed concern with the noise testing survey being carried out by Highways England on a stretch of the A30 at the west end of the village. He felt that the recent adverse weather conditions and limited time scale of the test would not produce a fair and accurate result and that the survey should be in place for a longer period of time.
- 7.3 Discussion took place on the possible drainage pond arrangements in the area and whether they could take run-off water from the new road. Chairman to make enquiries.

## 8. Village Improvements

- 8.1 Nothing further to report.

## 9. Village Lights

- 9.1 Councillor Hicks reported the Christmas lights had generally been well received in the village and suggested that for 2018 the more lights might be purchased to decorate the camellias at Two Burrow Hill, at a cost of £100. Discussion followed and it was agreed to purchase the extra lights.  
Proposed : Cllr. McCulloch, Seconded : Cllr. Wootton.  
A vote was taken, all in favour.  
The Chairman thanked all those concerned for giving their time to organise the Christmas lights.

10. Correspondence

10.1 There were no items of correspondence.

11. Finance/ Accounts

11.1

Payments to be made in January 2018

Date	Cheque Number	Payee	Details	Amount
15/01/18	101329	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax on Clerk's Wages	£ 55.00
15/01/18	101330	J. Ritchie	Clerk's Wages (Nett)	£ 220.00
15/01/18	101331	Team Maintenance Services Ltd.	Maintenance Contract December (Invoice 204486)	£ 495.00
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 770.00</b>

HSBC Community Account 01/01/18	£	23,275.81
HSBC Business Account 01/12/17	£	5,595.13
Nationwide Investment (New Hall Fund)	£	22,707.57
Total	£	51,578.51

12. Items for Next Agenda

12.1 Hall Rent

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.49 pm

Next Meeting : Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018 St. Allen Church 7.30 pm

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