

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20th JANUARY 2020
AT ST. ALLEN CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. McCulloch (Chairman)
Cllr. Hare (Vice Chairman)
Cllr. Hicks
Cllr. Mewton (from point mentioned)
Cllr. Wilson
Cllr. Wootton

Apologies: Cllr. Orrell
Cllr. Eathorne-Gibbons

In Attendance: Miss J Ritchie (Clerk)

1. Chairman's Announcements
 - 1.1 No Chairman's announcements.
2. Suggestions from members of the public
 - 2.1 No members of the public present.
3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2020
 - 3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman. (Proposed by Councillor Wilson, Seconded by Councillor Hicks, carried unanimously of those entitled to vote.)
4. Matters Arising from the minutes
 - 4.1 The Clerk confirmed that when consultee comments were submitted to Cornwall Council regarding Planning Application PA19/10116, a request was made for removal of the on-site signage and fencing on completion of the project. Councillor McCulloch would confirm our request with the Chairman of Planning and Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons.
 - 4.2 Members also expressed concern that the new traffic islands at the site entrance were dangerously positioned and drivers could be misled into taking the wrong route around them. As the site was in St Erme Parish, Councillor McCulloch would raise the matter with the Chairman of St Erme Parish Council and with Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons.
5. Cornwall Council Matters
 - 5.1 Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons had sent a report which the Chairman read to Members. His Cabinet Portfolio work includes the four-year business plan, budgets, property improvements and IT investments. The reports will be presented to Cabinet in March. As our Cornwall Council representative, Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons continue to pursue local issues, mainly highways related.
 - 5.2 Members expressed concern that the repair of potholes on the Shortlanesend road was still unfinished. Councillor McCulloch would ask Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons to follow this up.

Councillor Mewton entered the meeting at 7.51pm and apologised that he had been unavoidably delayed.

6. Police Matters
 - 6.1 No report received.

7. Planning
 - 7.1 PA20/00105: Construction of a two-storey dwelling (amended design to replace the extant consent PA28/2274/07/R and certificate of lawfulness PA13/00185) at Roskief, St Allen, TR4 9QX: No objection. Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor Wootton, carried unanimously.
 - 7.2 PA19/10590: Completion and retention of works to convert the mission hall to a dwelling house, including reinstate spire, alterations to doors/windows and additional rooflights at The Mission Hall, Zelah, Truro, TR4 9HS: discussion took place and members welcomed the renovation of this building but had the following concerns: (i) concern at the size of the cess pit and the ability to contain, within the building, 5000 litres per week, and if not emptied, how would the resulting discharge into the street be dealt with; (ii) concern that before any building work commences, the ivy should be removed from the walls of the building before the start of the nesting season, to prevent sparrows nesting and ensure the building is sealed to prevent swallows from entering; (iii) concern that adding lights to the exterior will be detrimental to the surrounding dark skies. Submit no objection to the conversion but highlight these concerns. Proposed by Councillor McCulloch, Seconded by Councillor Hicks, carried unanimously.

8. A30 Chiverton-Carland updates
 - 8.1 Nothing new to report.

9. Playing Field Matters to report
 - 9.1 Slide: Difficulties had been reported, that the steps on the ladder are unsuitable for young children, as the rungs were too far apart and too wide to hold, and the round treads encouraged slipping. As the equipment had been purchased for use by children of all ages, it was agreed to report the problem to the supplier and request a solution.
 - 9.2 Power Supply for Christmas Lights: Councillor Hicks suggested that ARUP's post-A30 streetscaping could include installation of power points in the Playing Field, for connecting the village Christmas lights. Water and electric supplies could also be considered. Discussion took place and it was agreed to invite ARUP to the next meeting to discuss further. Councillor Wilson would liaise with ARUP and submit our requests.

10. Any matters to report concerning rights of way/paths/stiles/maintenance
 - 10.1 Councillor McCulloch would clear the path beside Tinker's Castle.
 - 10.2 Councillor Wilson suggested that we could apply to Cornish Heritage Trust for a grant to rebuild the Balstyle stile.
 - 10.3 Members to investigate the condition of the footbridge at Roskief to find out what repairs are required and whether they could be carried out by REACT in a similar project to the recent Tolgroggan footbridge repairs. Councillor Wilson to make enquiries with REACT.
 - 10.4 Councillor McCulloch to ask Cormac to remove overhanging branches from

the Tolgroggan A30 bridge and a tree reported to be blocking Footpath 19.

10.5 Information from the Planning Inspectorate regarding Solomon's Lane had been received too late for inclusion on the agenda and would be discussed at the February meeting.

11. Correspondence

11.1 Cornwall Council Agency Agreement – Cleansing: Cornwall Council required further information regarding contractor's wages. Clerk to request relevant information from the contractor.

12. Finance, Spending, Accounts and current month's payments

12.1

Receipts : Interest to 5/12/19 Business Account : £2.80

Payments to be made in January 2020:

Date of Cheque	Cheque Number	Payee	Details	Amount
20/01/20	101428	J. Ritchie	Clerk's Wages	£ 257.20
20/01/20	101429	HMRC	Tax on Clerk's Wages	£ 17.80
20/01/20	101430	Team Maint Services Ltd	Maintenance Contract December (Inv. 206295)	£ 495.00
0/12/20	101431	Parish of Kenwyn with St Allen	Donation in Lieu of Hall Rent for 2018/2019	£ 260.00
			TOTAL	£1030.00

HSBC Community Account 01/01/20	£21,094.82
HSBC Business Account 01/01/20	£ 5,612.26
Nationwide Investment (New Hall Fund)	£22,753.01
Total at 20/01/20	£49,460.09

12.2 Clerk to contact Cornwall Association of Local Councils to source an internal auditor for financial year ending 31/3/20.

13. Items for Next Agenda

13.1 Correspondence from Planning Inspectorate regarding Solomon's Lane.

13.2 Woodland Trust Tree Grants (Councillor Wilson).

14. Date of Next Meeting

14.1 Monday 17th February 2020 St Allen Church 7.30pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

