

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19th OCTOBER 2020
USING THE ZOOM FACILITY**

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

Apologies: No apologies given.

In Attendance: Miss J Ritchie (Clerk)
Cllr. Eathorne-Gibbons (Cornwall Council) (until point mentioned)
One member of the public (to point mentioned)

1. Chairman's Announcements

1.1 There were no Chairman's announcements.

2. Suggestions from members of the public

2.1 One member of the public spoke regarding planning application PA20/06821, in which prior approval was being sought for conversion of an agricultural building to form a dwelling at Art's Yard, adjacent to Casavrina, Zelah. The property had been owned by the same family for many generations and was no longer a working farmyard, and there was no possibility of it being restored as such. The buildings, although not in use, were structurally sound.

Councillor Wilson connected to the meeting at 7.37pm.

The Chairman brought agenda item 8 forward.

3. Planning

3.1 PA20/06821 – Application for prior approval for conversion of agricultural building to form a dwelling at Art's Yard, adjacent to Casavrina, Zelah, TR4 9HH:

Councillor Mewton connected to the meeting at 7.38pm.

A short discussion took place. It was noted that a wildlife survey would be required to determine provision for bats and house martins, etc, in the conversion.

It was Proposed by Councillor McCulloch, Seconded by Councillor Hare, that the Parish Council supported the application. A vote was taken: carried unanimously.

The member of the public left the meeting at 7.39pm.

- 3.2 PA20/08580 – Application for listed building consent for proposed repair and re-roofing of existing outbuildings at The Old Rectory, Road from Penny Come Quick to Well Meadow Bungalow, St Allen, TR4 9QX:

Discussion took place. Members noted that an identical roofing material would be used.

It was Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor Wilson, that the Parish Council supported the application. A vote was taken: majority in favour, one abstention.

- 3.3 PA20/07414 – Application for replacement of four bell tents (approved under decision PA15/00219 dated 29/07/15) with two shepherd’s huts and a cabin at Nancarrow Farm, access to Nancarrow Farm, Marazanvose, TR4 9DQ:

Councillor Mewton declared interest, as the applicant was a close family member.

Discussion took place. It was Proposed by Councillor McCulloch, Seconded by Councillor Wootton, that the Parish Council supported the application. A vote was taken: carried unanimously of those entitled to vote. Councillor Mewton did not vote.

- 3.4 PA20/06754 – Retrospective application for the creation of new field access on land at Gwarnick, St Allen: (already considered at the September meeting): the Clerk informed members that Cornwall Highways was satisfied with its suitability, but had advised that construction of the initial 4 metres of the entrance should be a permeable, consolidated surface.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2020

- 4.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2020 were approved for signing by the Chairman. (Proposed by Councillor McCulloch, Seconded by Councillor Wootton, carried unanimously.)

5. Matters Arising from the minutes

- 5.1 It was noted that the revised planning application at Little Acorn had been granted approval.

6. Cornwall Council Matters

- 6.1 Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons’ informed members that he continued to be busy with property matters: plans were finalised to rationalise Cornwall Council’s offices in the ten main towns of Cornwall, which would take place within this calendar year; all except one of Cornwall’s Leisure Centres had re-opened, with the backing of Cornwall Council; Cabinet continued to discuss the Financial Budget. He would continue to address any issues in the parish.

Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons left the meeting at 7.57pm.

7. Police Matters

- 7.1 No Police report was received.

8. Update on A30 Chiverton to Carland
 8.1 It was noted the Highways England’s archaeology team had started work. No interim information had been received from ARUP regarding streetscaping, but Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons would follow this up on the Parish Council’s behalf.
9. To discuss tidying of overgrowth in the “Jubilee Garden”
 9.1 It was agreed that Councillor McCulloch would tidy the hedge and that more daffodils could be planted to enhance the display.
 9.2 A short discussion took place regarding enhancement options for the verge at Two Burrow Hill and removal/thinning of sycamores behind the beech hedge on High Road. For further discussion at the next meeting.
10. Any matters to report concerning the Playing Field
 10.1 Councillor Wootton had received a quote of £300 for repairs to the climbing frame by a local welder. As this was considerably cheaper than the previous quote from South West Play it was agreed to proceed.
 10.2 The Clerk had contacted Zelah Village Community Association regarding a contribution towards Playing Field repairs and refurbishment, but had not yet received a reply.
 10.3 Discussion took place regarding the infestation of moles in the playing field. Councillor Wilson volunteered to seek advice from Cornwall Wildlife Trust on finding a humane resolution to the problem.
11. Any matters to report concerning rights of way/paths/stiles/maintenance
 11.1 Solomon’s Lane: it had been reported that following a recent storm, a tree was partly blocking the path. Councillor McCulloch had notified Cormac, who would remove the obstruction.
 11.2 Tolgroggan Footbridge (Crocodile Creek): Councillor Wilson was meeting with REACT regarding repair of Tolgroggan and Roskief footbridges and would keep members updated. Councillor McCulloch had contacted Cornwall Council regarding total replacement of the Tolgroggan footbridge.
12. Finance: to approve spending, accounts and current month’s payments
 12.1 Payments and receipts October 2020:

Receipts: Cornwall Council Precept (2nd payment): £7,067.27
 Interest to 03 Sept: HSBC Business Account: £ 0.14

| Date of Cheque | Cheque Number | Payee | Details | Amount |
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| 19/10/20 | 101472 | J. Ritchie | Clerk’s Wages | £ 220.00 |
| 19/10/20 | 101473 | HMRC | Tax on Clerk’s Wages | £ 55.00 |
| 19/10/20 | 101474 | Team Maint Services Ltd | Maintenance Contract Sept (Inv. 206889) | £ 495.00 |
| | | | TOTAL | £ 770.00 |

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| HSBC Community Account 01/10/20 | £25,317.46 |
| HSBC Business Account 01/10/20 | £ 5,617.82 |
| Nationwide Investment (New Hall Fund) | £22,775.83 |
| Total at 19/10/20 | £53,711.11 |

It was Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor McCulloch, to approve the accounts for October 2020. Carried unanimously.

13. Items for Next Agenda

- 13.1 To discuss renewal of the maintenance contract.
- 13.2 To discuss/ratify arrangements for Christmas tree & Lights in Zelah.
- 13.3 To discuss the proposed changes in Planning regulations.

14. Date of Next Meeting

- 14.1 Monday 16th November 2020, 7.30pm, using the Zoom facility.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.46pm.

