

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2021
USING THE ZOOM FACILITY**

Present: Cllr. McCulloch (Chairman)
Cllr. Hare (Vice Chairman)
Cllr. Hicks
Cllr. Mewton
Cllr. Orrell
Cllr. Wootton

Apologies: Cllr. Wilson

In Attendance: Miss J Ritchie (Clerk); Cornwall Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons;
Four members of the public (to points mentioned)

1. Chairman's Announcements

1.1 There were no Chairman's announcements.

2. Suggestions from members of the public

2.1 Each member of the public spoke in turn. Suggestions included:
i) Support for and interest in joining the climate change group;
ii) Improving the bus shelter as a community hub space, with seating and shelving;
iii) Use of post-A30 funding for village improvements;
iv) Use of the cut wood from the felled trees.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 13th January 2021

3.1 The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 13th January 2021 were approved for signing by the Chairman. (Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor Mewton, carried unanimously).

4. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 18th January 2021

4.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 18th January 2021 were approved for signing by the Chairman. (Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor Wootton, carried unanimously).

5. Matters Arising from the minutes

5.1 There were no matters arising.

6. Cornwall Council Matters

6.1 Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons continued with work on his portfolio, which included property, the management of assets and their development. A Working Party would bring proposals for Cabinet determination at the end of March.

6.2 Plans were being finalised for the G7 Summit in summer 2021, and would include discussions on gathering electricity from wind turbines at sea.

6.3 Cornwall Council's Covid report suggested a gradual improvement, but caution was required.

6.4 It was likely that Cornwall Council would vote for a 4.99% increase in Council Tax.

Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons was thanked for his report.

Councillor Mewton requested an update on the Cornwall Woodland Forest; Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons informed members that tree planting was being arranged, and offered to supply details.

7. Police Matters

7.1 No Police report had been received.

8. Planning

8.1 There were no declarations of interest.

Application PA21/00536 Proposed part change of use of agricultural land to residential curtilage for the approved class q barn conversion PA20/06821 at Arts Yard, Zelah: No objection (Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor Orrell, carried unanimously.)

9. To discuss Terms of Reference with a view to setting up and advisory group and Working party for environmental and climate change issues

9.1 The Chairman invited comments from members and the public. Discussion took place and the meeting considered the structure of the working group and whether it would work to the Parish Council's standing orders or have its own constitution. Members discussed its role in promoting and upholding environmental standards and expressed a wish that the Parish Council should show its commitment to environmental preservation, regardless of the working group's status. There was some concern regarding the approach the Parish Council might need to take regarding planning applications.

9.2 It was Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor McCulloch, to accept the Terms of Reference (3rd Draft) with some minor amendments, and bring back to the next meeting for final approval. A vote was taken: five in favour, one against, carried by a majority.

10. To discuss replacement of the bus shelter roof

10.1 The Chairman had received builders' quotations to 1) Replace the existing roof with galvanised sheeting, guttering, fascia board and wooden batten, £1219; 2) Replace with guttering and boarding, £1100, and a sedum roof £500. Discussion took place and members considered the options. It was agreed that the Chairman should make further investigation regarding a sedum roof and bring to the next meeting.

10.2 Members discussed public opinion regarding the use of the bus shelter as a community hub and the request for seating and a notice board inside, which could be considered more fully once the roof repairs had been addressed.

11. Update on A30 Chiverton to Carland

11.1 Nothing new to report.

12. Any matters to report concerning rights of way/paths/stiles/maintenance

12.1 Councillor McCulloch informed members that the right of way known as Solomon's Lane had been officially upgraded from a Footpath to a Restricted Byway. There had been complaints regarding the muddy surface and

Cornwall Council's Footpaths Officer would be arranging for the mud to be cleared back to the hard surface.

- 12.2 Tolgroggan footpath bridge: wait for update from Councillor Wilson. If no response from REACT, raise the matter with Cornwall Council. Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons volunteered to contact Cornwall Council on the Parish Council's behalf.

One member of the public left the meeting at 8.40pm.

- 12.3 Councillor Hare reported that there were loose hedge brambles on High Road, where the tree works had been carried out. The Chairman agreed to ask our contractors to tidy and clear the accumulation of moss and grass from the pavement.

13. Finance: to approve spending, accounts and current month's payments

13.1 Payments February 2021:

Date of Cheque	Cheque Number	Payee	Details	Amount
15/02/21	101490	J. Ritchie	Clerk's Wages (net)	£ 220.00
15/02/21	101491	HMRC	Tax on Clerk's Wages	£ 55.00
15/02/21	101492	Team Maint Services Ltd	Maintenance Contract Jan (Inv. 207159)	£ 495.00
15/02/21	101493	J. Ritchie	Re-imbusement for payments to Zoom for virtual meeting facility	£ 14.39
15/02/21	101494	Adam Miles	Jan INV64342760 Thinning out beech trees on High Road (invoice 119)	£ 3,360.00
TOTAL				£4,144.39

HSBC Community Account 01/02/21	£21,684.90
HSBC Business Account 01/02/21	£ 5,617.96
Nationwide Investment (New Hall Fund)	£22,775.83
Total at 15/02/21	£50,078.69

It was Proposed by Councillor Hicks, Seconded by Councillor Hare, to approve the accounts for February 2021. Carried unanimously.

14. Items for Next Agenda

- 14.1 Repair/replacement of bus shelter roof.
14.2 Climate Change Working Group.

15. Date of Next Meeting

- 15.1 Monday 15th March 2021, 7.30pm, using the Zoom facility.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.49pm.

Signed
CHAIRMAN

Date