

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

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

Apologies: Cllr. Mewton
Chrys Brown

In Attendance: Miss J Ritchie (Clerk); Cornwall Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons;
Three members of the public

1. Chairman's Announcements
 - 1.1 There were no Chairman's announcements.
2. Suggestions from members of the public
 - 2.1 Members of the public raised the following issues/concerns:
 - In support of a sedum roof on the bus shelter;
 - Solomon's Lane excessively muddy because of vehicle use;
 - No footpath signage at the entrance to Solomon's Lane;
 - Parish Council village hall fund;
 - Whether a tarmac path is appropriate in the playing field.
 - 2.2 The Chairman and members addressed these in turn:
 - i) Solomon's Lane is now confirmed as a Restricted Byway, and will be managed as such by Cornwall Council; the Countryside Access Team will clear the mud and install appropriate signage. Councillor Hicks advised that, as owner of the land each side of Solomon's Lane, he has legal rights for vehicular access on top of the footpath and that his farm vehicles use the lane regularly.
 - ii) The Parish Council had investigated the purchase of a container unit, for potential use as a village hall/meeting room and store, although no decision had been made. Alternatively, the village hall fund could be used to make many improvements in the village post-A30, especially now that the Parish Council would not receive any A30 funding for this.
 - iii) Users of the Playing Field had requested a safe, flat path to accommodate prams/cycles/wheelchairs/joggers. The Parish Council was open to suggestions for alternative types of surface.
3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2021
 - 3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2021 were approved for signing by the Chairman, with the correction that Councillor Wilson had given her apologies. (Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor McCulloch, carried unanimously).

4. Matters Arising from the minutes

4.1 There were no matters arising.

5. Cornwall Council Matters

- 5.1 Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons continues with work on the Cornwall Business Plan, Estates Transformation and the re-opening of Leisure Centres. Cabinet would be meeting to discuss the Cornwall Council's Performance Report. He would address any local issues that we may have.
- 5.2 Councillor Hare asked what plans Cornwall Council have to improve the existing A30 road post dualling and whether members could meet with officers from Cornwall Council to discuss the matter. Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons suggested that the Highways Portfolio Holder would be able to assist.
- 5.3 Councillor Hicks expressed concern regarding the lack of funding for village improvements post-A30 and was advised that this was the Government's remit and not Cornwall Council.
- 5.4 A short discussion followed regarding levels of support from local and central Government.

Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons was thanked for his report and for his service to the Parish Council during his time as County Councillor.

6. Police Matters

6.1 No Police report had been received.

7. Planning

- 7.1 There were no declarations of interest.
Application PA21/00962 Conversion of garage space to form indoor swimming pool at Rosemerryn, from Church Lane to junction SW of Tolcarne, St Allen, TR4 9QX : No objection (Proposed by Councillor Hicks, Seconded by Councillor Wilson, carried unanimously.)
- 7.2 There were no declarations of interest.
Application PA21/00920 Revised application for a single dwelling following the approval of PA20/01933 at Land Adjacent Rosehill, Zelah, Cornwall: No objection. (Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor Hicks, carried unanimously.)

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

8.1 A short discussion took place on what form the group should take, whether as a Working Party of the Parish Council or as a separately run group. It was agreed that Parish Councillors and members of the public should give comments and suggestions to the Clerk, and bring back to the next meeting.

9. To discuss replacement of the bus shelter roof

9.1 The Chairman had made further investigation regarding a sedum roof and explained how it would be constructed, with a wooden structure on top of the existing roof, a membrane on top of this and the sedum roof placed over. It was Proposed by Councillor Hicks, Seconded by Councillor Hare, to proceed, at a total cost of £1,600 plus VAT. A vote was taken and the matter was approved unanimously.

HSBC Community Account 01/03/21	£20,600.51
HSBC Business Account 01/32/21	£ 5,617.96
Nationwide Investment (New Hall Fund)	£22,775.83
Total at 15/03/21	£48,994.30

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

Clerk to investigate whether the payment from Equiniti Financial Services belongs to the JH Lanyon Fund.

13. Items for Next Agenda

- 13.1 Streetscape plans.
- 13.2 Determination regarding Solomon's Lane.
- 13.3 Climate Change Working Group.
- 13.4 Littering.

14. Date of Next Meeting

- 15.1 Monday 19th April 2021, 7.30pm, using the Zoom facility.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.19pm.

Signed
CHAIRMAN

Date

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