

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19th APRIL 2021
USING THE ZOOM FACILITY**

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

Apologies: Cllr. Hicks

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

Before the start of the meeting a minute's silence was held in memory of HRH Prince Philip.

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:

- A request that the Parish Council disregards Terms of Reference for agenda item 8 and permits members of the public to form a Climate Change Action Group independent of the Parish Council;
- A request for a small grant from the Parish Council towards printing the Zelah Community magazine;
- Concern at littering in the village;
- Concern at members of the public parking in the playing field;

2.2 (i) The Chairman had approached members of the public regarding parking and had closed the gate to the playing field as a deterrent; (ii) Councillor Hare queried whether a climate change group had been set up already, without Parish Council involvement – Chairman referred to agenda item 8.

2.3 Councillor Wilson informed the meeting that the pads in the defibrillator needed replacing. The Chairman of Zelah Village Community Association had been contacted and a reply was awaited. For follow up at next month's meeting.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 15th March 2021

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 15th March 2021 were approved for signing by the Chairman. (Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor McCulloch, carried unanimously).

4. Matters Arising from the minutes

4.1 Councillor Hare asked when Cornwall Council's Highways team would be able to attend a meeting, to update the Council on their progress. Councillor McCulloch had contacted the Community Network Manager and would follow this up.

5. Cornwall Council Matters

- 5.1 Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons continues to work on Cornwall Council's property development plan, Corserv and Housing interests and capital expenditure. He was not aware of any outstanding local issues.
- 5.2 Councillor Eathorne-Gibbons was not standing for re-election in May 2021 and the Chairman thanked him for his support to St Allen Parish Council as a County Councillor, and wished him well.

6. Planning

- 6.1 There were no declarations of interest.
Application PA21/02209 Construction and operation of a 10 Megawatt Peak (MWp) solar photovoltaic (PV) development within the parameters of the existing Carland Cross Windfarm with variation of condition 2 of decision PA19/08080 dated 26/05/20, Land at Fiddlers Green, Carland Cross Windfarm, St Newlyn East: Recommend refusal, in line with this Council's Parish Survey in 2013. (Proposed by Councillor McCulloch, Seconded by Councillor Wilson, carried unanimously.)
- 6.2 There were no declarations of interest.
Application PA21/01729 Demolition of existing barn and construction of new build 3-bed house with attached garage (revised design following approval PA19/09391) with variation of condition 2 of Decision Notice PA20/04836 dated 11/9/20, Little Acorn, St Allen: Support the revised application but request that swift bricks and swallow/house martin cups are included in the design, to compensate for loss of habitat when the barn is pulled down. (Proposed by Councillor Hare, Seconded by Councillor Wilson, carried by a majority, with one vote against.)
- 6.3 There were no declarations of interest.
Application PA21/01121 Listed building consent for re-roofing of existing slate roof, introduction of roofing batten, counter batten and breather membrane, Gwarnick Manor, St Allen: No objection. (Proposed by Councillor Wootton, Seconded by Councillor Wilson, carried unanimously.)
- 6.4 There were no declarations of interest.
Application PA21/03552 Application for non-material amendment following grant of planning permission PA16/10138 dated 13.01.17. Amendments sought: Change from hip end to gable end on the north elevation to include a window. Change from a velux window to a dormer window and introduce two new velux windows to the east elevation. Natural stone facing to the whole of the east elevation. Removal of stone quoins and lintels to door and window openings on the north, west and south elevations, Tolcarne Chalet, St Allen: Recommend refusal, as this application represents a significant change from the original and is an overdevelopment of the site. (Proposed by Councillor McCulloch, Seconded by Councillor Hare, carried unanimously.)

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

- 7.1 It was recognised that members of the public wished to form their own group and had held an initial meeting to discuss the matter. The Chairman suggested that the Parish Council endorses their wish to set up a climate change group independently, and that members provide additional representation if requested.

A robust discussion took place. It was Proposed by Councillor Wootton, Seconded by Councillor Hare, that the Parish Council should have no formal or constitutional involvement but allow St Allen parishioners to form their own Climate Change Action Group. A vote was taken, carried unanimously.

8. Determination regarding the status of Solomon's Lane

8.1 The Chairman informed the meeting that the mud and debris had been cleared from Solomon's Lane, back to the hard surface. The lane had been officially determined by the Planning Inspectorate as a Restricted Byway. Signage had been erected to this effect.

9. Update on A30 Chiverton to Carland

9.1 The Chairman would make a further request to Cornwall Council for information regarding de-trunking of the existing A30.

9.2 Councillor Wilson enquired on progress regarding a new ramped access over the existing A30 at Church Lane. The Chairman advised that Costain was still planning its schedule of requested local projects. It was agreed to invite Costain to the June meeting to give an update.

9.3 Costain's Virtual Project website could be accessed from April 21st. Clerk to email the link to members and the public.

10. To consider post A30 streetscape plans for Zelah

10.1 Discussion took place on whether the Parish Council should undertake the post A30 streetscaping or request assistance from Costain for some of its chosen projects. It was agreed to discuss further at the June meeting and prioritise three items, then ask Costain if they would be willing to finance and carry out the work.

11. To consider ways of dealing with littering in the parish

11.1 Members discussed the problem with a view to long and short term solutions. It was agreed to lobby the local MP to take this to Parliament as an ongoing environmental problem. Locally, parishioners were already picking up litter on their walks, and it was agreed that placing litter-pickers and rubbish sacks in the bus shelter for community use would raise awareness and encourage further involvement.

11.2 It was agreed that the Parish Council would purchase two litter-pickers and write an endorsement for the village facebook page. (Proposed by Councillor McCulloch, Seconded by Councillor Wootton, carried unanimously.)

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

12.1 Nothing to report.

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

13.1

Receipts March 2021 Cornwall Council LMP Grant:	£ 382.64
March 2021 HMRC VAT Reclaim:	£ 4,938.09

Payments April 2021:

Date of Cheque	Cheque Number	Payee	Details	Amount
19/04/21	101499	J. Ritchie	Clerk's Wages (net)	£ 220.00
19/04/21	101500	HMRC	Tax on Clerk's Wages	£ 55.00
19/04/21	101501	Team Maint Services Ltd	Maintenance Contract Mar (Inv. 207264)	£ 495.00
19/04/21	101502	J. Ritchie	Re-imburement for payment to Zoom for virtual meeting facility Mar INV75674298	£ 14.39
19/04/21	101503	Western Web Ltd	Update of website for WCAG (accessibility) compliance Inv 22319	£ 216.00
19/04/21	101504	Cornwall ALC Ltd	Annual Membership Subscription 2021/22 Invoice 2122-128	£ 277.74
19/04/21	101505	J Ritchie	Re-imburement for payment to Brightpay for Payroll Software 2021-22 Invoice 359096	£ 58.80
19/04/21	101506	Playsafety Ltd	Playing Field Annual Inspection Invoice 54321	£ 94.80
			TOTAL	£ 1,431.73

HSBC Community Account 01/04/21	£25,971.91
HSBC Business Account 01/4/21	£ 5,618.10
Nationwide Investment (New Hall Fund)	£22,775.83
Total at 19/04/21	£54,365.84

It was Proposed by Councillor McCulloch, Seconded by Councillor Wootton, to approve the accounts for April 2021. Carried unanimously.

The Chairman advised that the grant request towards printing the Zelah Community Newsletter would be considered on receipt of a written application and evidence of a bank account.

14. Items for Next Agenda

14.1 No items requested.

15. Date of Next Meeting and AGM

15.1 Tuesday 18th May 2021, 7.30pm, St Allen Church.

The Chairman thanked members and the public for their support during the term of this Council and gave a vote of thanks to Councillors Hicks and Wootton, who were not standing for re-election to the new Council in May 2021.

The Chairman requested that the Clerk sends a letter to Councillor Hicks on behalf of the Parish Council, thanking him for his service as a Parish Councillor for over 30 years.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.41pm.

Signed
CHAIRMAN

Date

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