

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2021**  
**AT ST ALLEN CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. J. McCulloch (Chairman) (JM)  
Cllr. A. Hare (Vice-Chairman) (ADH)  
Cllr. J. Orrell (JO)  
Cllr. A. Stallard (AS)  
Cllr. C Wilson (CW)  
Cllr. P Mewton (PM)  
Cllr. M McLaughlin (MM)

Apologies: None

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); CCllr. A Harvey & 1 Member of the Public

1. Chairman's Announcements:

1.1 There were no Chairman's Announcements.

2. Suggestions from Members of the Public:

2.1 Ms K Dibble, representing Bennamunn, spoke in support of a planning application that will shortly be submitted to regularise the site at Chynoweth Farm. The slurry lagoons are being used to create biogas for use by the farmer. The Farm will become the Company's research & development site. There are a six portacabins and half a cow shed which will be used by the company and a change of use will be applied for.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021:

3.1 The discussion regarding the landscaping of the verge at Two Burrow Hill was missing from the minutes. Two beech trees will be planted and some dog woods or other small native trees to break up the uniformity of the camelias.  
***RESOLVED: With the above inclusion, the minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021, as circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.***

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

4.1 It was discussed that CW will update the planning guidance with the amendments agreed at the last meeting. This will be uploaded to the Parish Council's website.

5. Police Matters:

5.1 No police report.

6. Cornwall Council Report:

6.1 AH advised that the Highway budget for the St. Agnes & Perranporth Network Area will reduce to £34,834. JM advised that St. Allen Parish has not had any funding from this pot yet. The Community Network takes a collective approach when deciding which Highway Schemes to support.  
6.2 Cornwall Council is buying 130 houses at Carnglaze Garden Village for homeless people.  
6.3 JM confirmed that the minutes of the Community Network are published on Cornwall Council's website.

7. Planning Matters:

7.1 Applications:

PA21/10230	Land Adj Green Bank: Outline permission for construction of single detached self-build dwelling house & formation of new vehicle access to round off existing settlement.	<b>OBJECT:</b> <i>Against Policy 7 of the Cornwall Council Local Plan (Houses in the Countryside)</i> (P/S: JM/AS. 6 against, 1 abstention)
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7.2 Decisions: None.

7.3 A discussion took place on the advantages and disadvantages of having a Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed that this wasn't appropriate for St. Allen Parish at this time.

8. Update on the A30 Chiverton to Carland:

8.1 No update. Neither Dave James or John Green had sent an update.

**RESOLVED: Clerk to invite them to attend the December meeting.**

9. Playing Field

9.1 Installation of a footpath around the Playing Field:

Several Councillors had been to see the proposed surfaces at Newquay Community Orchard & Redannick Park, Truro. Although more expensive, AS's preferred option is the TK Play resin recycled rubber surface. It is high quality; frost proof; no edging is required and Truro Council has been extremely impressed with the service provided by TK Play. An in-principal decision is required on which surface to go for so that Costain can be approached for funding. There are several other funding options which can also be looked at. JM's concern is that a long-term liability will be placed on the Parish Council when the surface needs replacing in the future. However, repairs can be done locally, the ground works will already have been completed and the whole surface will not require replacing at the same time.

**RESOLVED: Subject to funding, PC agrees to proceed with the TK Play surface. AS & JM to approach Costain.** (P/S: PM/JO)

9.2 It was discussed that once the footpath project is underway, the installation of fitness/play equipment could be looked at. The earth removed when the footpath is installed could be used for the slide & for landscaping. The PC should start to consider a potential layout. CW has already carried out some research into fitness equipment and she will help AS to look at options.

10. Highway Issues:

10.1 Detrunking of the A30:

JM had invited Cornwall Council to the PC Meeting to discuss the detrunking but they had declined as the plans have been designed and approved. He had also asked for clarification of the de-trunking plans and requested the creation of a footpath at St. Freda's and at the end of Church Lane but had not received a response. It was discussed that Dave James

should instigate the creation order for the St. Freda's Footpath. CW said that Cornwall Ramblers Association could also do this.

**RESOLVED: CW to ask Cornwall Ramblers to do a Creation Order for the St. Freda's Footpath. JM to follow-up other queries.**

10.2 Flashing Speed Visor:

The Clerk had received a quote of £1969 for a solar operated flashing speed visor for the belisha beacon opposite the Chapel. However, it would not be possible to use the existing pole as a longer pole of approx. 12 foot is required for the solar unit. It was discussed that the battery-operated unit is not difficult to use providing you have a volunteer willing to change the batteries every 2 – 3 weeks. CW said she would be willing to charge the batteries.

**RESOLVED: Clerk to get a quote for a battery-operated unit with additional bracket. Volunteer to be sought to change the batteries.**

11. Any Matters to Report Concerning Rights of Way/Paths/Stiles/Maintenance:

- 11.1 It was reported that the gate at the Zelah end of Soloman's Lane has been removed.
- 11.2 JM has contacted the land owner regarding the transfer of the land at Cost is Lost & the process is underway.
- 11.3 CW has replaced the footpath sign at Trefronnick.
- 11.4 The footpath from Polstain to the Pub is very overgrown and needs cutting.

**RESOLVED: Clerk to contact TMS to action.**

12. Correspondence:

- 12.1 JM had received an email regarding the Platinum Jubilee Tree. This will be delivered sometime in November. The preferred option is for the tree to be planted at the Church. Planting should take place in December during National Tree Week and an email will be circulated once this arranged.
- 12.2 The Clerk had circulated an email regarding some Planning Training being organised by Cornwall Council on 30<sup>th</sup> November.

13. Finance: To Approve Spending, Accounts & Monthly Payment's

13.1

**Receipts:** £ 0

**Payments to be made in November 2021**

Date	Chq No.	Payee	Details	Amount
15/11/21	101535	Mrs K Rees	Clerk's Wages (net)	£ 220.00
25/11/21	101536	HMRC	Tax on Clerk's Wages	£ 55.00
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 275.00</b>

HSBC Community Account 01/11/21 £ 25,157.11

HSBC Business Account 01/11/21 £ 28,406.98

Total at 15/11/21

£ 53,564.09

**RESOLVED: The above accounts were approved.**

13.2 CW has organised a meeting with the remaining members of the ZVCA on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November & is in the process of sorting out the finances.

13.3 Precept 22/23:

The Clerk had circulated a proposed budget for 22/23 (appendix 1). Following discussions, it was

**RESOLVED: Precept for 22/23 £14,500** (P/S: ADH/AS)

14. Agenda Items for the November Meeting:

14.1 Defibrillator Refurbishment Costs (CW)

15. Date of the Next Meeting:

15.1 The next meeting will be held on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021, 7.30pm, St. Allen Church**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.30hrs.

Signed:.....  
CHAIRMAN

Date.....