

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 21st FEBRUARY 2022
AT ST ALLEN CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. J. McCulloch (Chairman) (JM)
Cllr. J. Orrell (JO)
Cllr. A. Stallard (AS)
Cllr. C Wilson (CW)
Cllr. P Mewton (PM)
Cllr. A Hare (AH)

Apologies: Cllr. M McLaughlin (MM)

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); CCllr. A Harvey (ADH)

1. Chairman's Announcements:

1.1 There were no Chairman's Announcements.

2. Suggestions from Members of the Public:

2.1 There were no Members of the Public present.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2022:

3.1 **RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2022, as circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.** (P/S: JO/CW)

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

4.1 The Speed Visor will be an agenda item next month.

5. Update on the A30 Chiverton to Carland:

5.1 The PC expressed disappointment that representatives from Costain were not in attendance. There are issues which need discussing, in particular the over-zealous hedge & tree cutting which has taken place along the route. Landscaping plans have been requested but they haven't been drawn up yet. Clerk to ensure that John Green & Dave James receive agendas.

5.2 The Clerk read out a letter from the owner of Elmsleigh regarding the damp at the property caused by the Costain compound behind the property. Costain does not accept responsibility for this issue so the owner is employing a surveyor to draw up a report. A discussion took place.

RESOLVED: Clerk to write Costain to ask them to resolve the issue and also contact Cherylyn Mackrory MP for support.

5.3 CW has contacted Costain regarding the numbers of road signs at Trevalso and the removal of the Quiet lanes markers that appear to have been replaced with 30 mph signs and national speed limit signs. These are not in the spirit of the Quiet Lane status that was successfully campaigned for with Cornwall Council who officially designated these lanes as such many years ago. A member of the public has also suggested that this will apply to the Penny Come Quick Lane Markers which will be lost when we lose the top section where the current Quiet Lanes markers are. Both sets of markers at Tevalso and PCQ will need to be replaced at the new mouth of the lanes. Excessive street furniture is not in keeping with the rural status

of the lanes. **Agenda item next month when Costain are in attendance.**

6. Police Matters:

6.1 No police report. JO sent his apologies to the Police Liaison Meeting.

7. Cornwall Council Report:

7.1 ADH advised that Cornwall Council will vote on the budget tomorrow. An increase of 1.99% is proposed plus a 1% increase for adult social care.

7.2 ADH was asked about the works taking place at the bottom of Scotland Road. He has reported the matter to planning enforcement several times but is yet to receive a response. He will ask a question at Full Council if a response is not forthcoming.

7.3 The section of Saints Trail between Goonhavern and Newquay has been scaled back and will not be delivered currently. This item will be on the agenda at the next Community Network meeting as a public enquiry has been requested. CW advised that CClr. Philip Desmond has said that there is a pot of money left that can be allocated for community projects.

RESOLVED: Clerk to write and request funding towards the installation of the footpath around the Playing Field.

8. Planning:

8.1 Decisions:

PA21/09766 (Land East of Brae Cottage) – Approved

PA21/12290 (Gwarnick Manor) – Approved

8.2 The Clerk had received a complaint about the Forest School at Gwarnick. It was discussed that planning permission for a car park and toilet block had been granted.

9. Playing Field

9.1 Installation of a footpath around the Playing Field:

JM and AS had had a successful meeting with John Green (Costain) regarding the funding for the footpath. He supported the view that some community benefit should be payable which would be good PR for Costain. AS has sent through the costs and is waiting for a response.

10. Highway Issues:

10.1 Street Cleansing Agreement/Local Maintenance Partnership 22/23 & Footpath Tender:

The Clerk had received the Street Cleansing (£1064.24) & Local Maintenance Partnership (£405.91) Agreements 22/23 from Cornwall Council. It was also discussed that the Footpath Contract is up for renewal in April and there are other areas in the Parish that could be included in the cutting schedule.

RESOLVED: PC to accept Street Cleansing & Local Maintenance Partnership Grants for 22/23 (P/S: JM/AD). Clerk to draft a maintenance schedule to be circulated before the next meeting. Footpath Tender agenda item next month.

10.2 Replacement of the Zelah Speed Bumps:

AS had submitted an FOI request regarding the cost to replace the speed bumps in Zelah which the Clerk had circulated. The response was unsatisfactory and a further FOI request has been submitted. The response will be circulated when received.

11. Provision of a Dedicated ZVCA Noticeboard:

11.1 MM not in attendance. Agenda item next month.

12. Freedom of Information incl. Continuity, Transparency & Parish Councillor Email Addresses:

12.1 The Clerk read out an email from MM querying whether the Parish Council should have voted on the Art's Yard Planning Application when the applicant is donating land to the PC. It was discussed that the applicant is now allowing a permissive footpath to be created rather than donating land to the PC and the matter had been recorded in the minutes.

12.2 The Clerk had received an FOI request which she was dealing with. During this process it had become apparent that Parish Councillors should have a separate email for PC business. A discussion took place as to the best way forward.

RESOLVED: Clerk to look at options and contact the website provider to ask if individual Councillor email addresses could be set up. Agenda item next month.

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

13.1 Dealt with under minute reference 10.1

14. Correspondence:

14.1 PM had circulated information about the 20 is Plenty scheme. The Clerk advised that Adrian Drake (Cormac) has nominated Zelah for a 20mph limit as part of Cornwall Council's 20mph Rollout Scheme and further information would be available shortly.

14.2 The Clerk had received confirmation from the Church that they have no requirement for Broadband. The PC could pay for the installation/running costs but this would not be financially viable.

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

15.1

Receipts:

£ 0

Payments to be made in February 2022

Date	Chq No.	Payee	Details	Amount
21/02/22	101546	Mrs K Rees	Clerk's Wages (net)	£ 220.00
21/02/22	101547	HMRC	Tax on Clerk's Wages	£ 55.00
21/02/22	101548	TMS	Footpaths	£ 495.00

21/02/22	101549	Cornwall Council	Election Expenses	£ 48.00
21/02/22	101550	CALC	Code of Conduct Training	£ 255.00
22/12/21	-	HSBC	Bank Charges	£ 7.40
			TOTAL	£ 1080.40

HSBC Community Account 01/02/22 £ 24,680.07

HSBC Business Account 01/02/22 £ 28,407.69

Total at 21/02/22 £ 53,087.76

RESOLVED: The above accounts were approved.

15.2 Internet Banking:

A discussion took place as to whether the PC should change bank accounts now that HSBC is charging a monthly fee. If so, ethical banks should be considered.

RESOLVED: JM to ask HSBC to waive the monthly fee. If not, PC to look at other options.

16. Agenda Items for the March Meeting:

16.1 Village Benches

17. Date of the Next Meeting:

17.1 The next meeting will be held on **Monday 21st March 2022, 7.30pm, St. Allen Church**

17.2 The April meeting date will be changed to 25th April as the scheduled date of 18th April is Easter Monday.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.20hrs.

Signed:.....
CHAIRMAN

Date.....