

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON  
MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2022  
AT ST. ALLEN PARISH CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. J McCulloch (Chairman)  
Cllr. A Hare (AH)  
Cllr. A Stallard (AS)  
Cllr. C Wilson (CW0)  
Cllr. P Mewton (PM)

Apologies: Cllr. M McLaughlin (MM)  
Dave James & John Green (Costain)

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); Cllr. A Harvey (ADH); 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 Mr Robert Hoskings (Planning Agent) spoke in support of the application for the erection of 3 x 4-bed houses at Lowarth House. The land is in the curtilage of Lowarth House and a Certificate of Lawfulness has been granted stating that the land is appropriate for development. No species of animal have been found in the curtilage and the boundary hedge will not be touched. The development meets the criteria of the infill and rounding off policy and is within the village boundary. There is no visual intrusion and the development will not be seen by members of the public.

The Parish Council asked Mr Hoskings several questions. CW asked if a noise assessment had been undertaken as this had been recommended. Mr Hoskings advised that it hadn't but an archaeological report had been. Mr Hoskings confirmed that the visibility splay would be 80 – 120m as this was not clear from the drawings.

**RESOLVED: SUPPORT** (P/S: JR/AH)

3. Minutes:

3.1 The discussion that took place regarding seeking a permissive use of the footpath around the back of Henver Lane Cottages into the new road structure at Trevalso thus allowing a footpath from Carala Farm to the village had been omitted from the November minutes. JM agreed to engage with Trewithen Estates to try to progress the matter.

**RESOLVED: With the above amendment, the minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022, as circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.** (JR/AH)

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

None.

5. A30 Chiverton to Carland Cross Update:

5.1 The Clerk read out a report from Costain advising the following:

- Work will continue on Henvver Lane until end of January, with a scheduled finish date of w/e 21/22 January
- The project is still on schedule although has been hampered by the amount of rain which fell in November followed by ground freezing.
- The A30 has been temporarily realigned at Chiverton to facilitate works on the new access road for exit to Truro and other planned works on the "old" A30.
- The site shuts down at 5pm on Thursday 22 December and restarts at 7am on Tuesday 3 January.

5.2 A letter had been received from Mrs Lake asking why members of the public are not allowed to attend the member briefings which take place at the Costain Depot before Parish Council Meetings. JM had responded advising that some of the information discussed is confidential and that a full report of the matters discussed is included in the PC minutes.

6. Police Matters:

6.1 No report.

7. Cornwall Councillor Report:

7.1 ADH advised that the consultation for the proposed 'Mayor for Cornwall' had started and runs for 10 weeks. A Community Network Panel briefing will take place in March although this is too late for the consultation. The cabinet will vote on the proposal in July.

8. Planning:

8.1 Applications:

1. PA22/10303 (Northdowns Cottage) - **SUPPORT** (AH/CW)
2. PA22/09054 (Land East of Roseland Terrace): It was discussed that this is a better layout than the last application – **SUPPORT in PRINCIPLE** expressing concern over drainage and requesting that the layout remains as it is to give privacy to surrounding properties (AH/AS)

8.2 Decisions: None.

9. Playing Field:

9.1 Playing Field Project:

Following the information that had been circulated regarding the National Highway Social Fund, AS had requested an application form on behalf of the PC. CW had also requested an application form on behalf of the ZVCA who would like to apply for some toddler play equipment. National Highways has indicated that two applications are allowed.

AS will get quotes to improve access into the Playing Field by removing the steps and installing a ramp and kissing gate & to repair the safety matting.

9.2 JM advised that he had asked the Grasscutting Contractor to tidy up the trees by the hedge in the Playing Field. The Clerk had not yet received a quote for this work.

It was discussed that the Contractor had not been clearing the cycleway area behind the chicanes. The footpath from Polstain Farm into the Village

needs cleaning urgently as it is covered in moss and debris. The hard cut along this footpath also needs doing. The Clerk will ask the contractor to action ASAP.

9.3 CW has reported the blocked drain at Lowarth House and will also report the one at Cost-is-Lost.

9.4 The tree planting event planned for 11<sup>th</sup> December was cancelled due to the weather. A new date for January/February will be confirmed in due course.

10. Highway Issues:

10.1 SpeedWatch: MM not in attendance. Agenda item next month.

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

11.1 No new issues to report.

12. Correspondence:

12.1 The Clerk read out an email from the Hawkins Arms following the correspondence sent after the last meeting. The owners advised that they are happy to discuss potential purchase or letting of the pub with any interested parties.

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

13.1

Income:	£ 0
HSBC Community Account:	£19,025.55
HSBC Business Account:	£28,419.01

***RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £316.00 were approved for payment.  
(Appendix 1)***

13.2 Precept 2023/24

The Clerk went through this year's accounts to date and the projected costs for next year. The cost for a Band D property in 22/23 was £89.45. A 3% increase for 23/24 would be £92.13. This equates to a precept of £14,770.

***RESOLVED: Precept set at £14,770 for 2023/24. Clerk to submit information to Cornwall Council***

14. Agenda Items for the January Meeting:

14.1 No new items.

15. Date of the Next Meeting:

15.1 The next meeting will be held on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023, 7.30pm, Costain Depot, Carland Cross.**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.49hrs.

Signed:.....  
CHAIRMAN

Date.....