

Minutes of Mawgan Annual Meeting held in the Recreation Hall on Wednesday 18th May 2016 at 7 pm

Present

Councillor Shaun Lock (Chairman)

- “ Kevin Roberts
- “ Colin Chapman
- “ Mrs Pearl Merton
- “ Mrs Dot Spragg
- “ Anthony Hoskin
- “ Michael Laity
- “ Shane Bennett

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APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Lindsay Hockley, Vivian Benney and Cornwall Cllr Walter Sanger.

POLICE REPORT

There was no Police report.

MINUTES

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting, were read, confirmed and signed.

CHAIRMAN’S ADDRESS

the Chairman; Cllr Shaun Lock gave his address:

The Chairman started by welcoming new member Shane Bennett recalled the sad loss of Chris Roberts who had given many years of service to the Parish but on a high point Council had gained Mike Laity as a member as well.

Feast Week last year was successful with record numbers at the sports and tea. Wednesday night quiz was popular. The Thursday walk was rained off. Bingo went well on the Friday night – more locals supported that one than the regular monthly one. The Saturday event in the Recreation Field had good weather, the zorba balls that came with the bouncy castle were popular. It was well run by everyone, ably lead by Cllr Mrs Dot Spragg.

The second Christmas lights event had a good turnout with there now being a lights committee and a tree committee (Parish Council). More lights were needed for the tree and more refreshments. The tree was very nice and kindly donated by Mrs Jean Cooke from her garden. New lights on boards throughout the village were very good.

Planning – there had been a few controversial ones with lots of people attending. You can't always please everyone with decisions. Out of 17 applications considered over the past year 10 agreed with the Parish Council, 2 were still undecided. It was agreed planning material considerations would be sent to members.

The saga of Glebe play area rumbled on but indications were positive.

Finally, the Chairman thanked everyone for their help and attendance and the Clerk for her help throughout the year.

PARISH ORGANISATIONS Mawgan bell ringers

Mike Davidson (bell tower captain) reported that most towers were struggling with numbers. He had helped out at Helston, Mullion, and Cury from time to time. Mawgan rang for the Queen's 90th birthday in April and would ring again for her official birthday in June. They were also continuing to commemorate the loss of Mawgan men during WW1 by ringing on the anniversary of their death 100 years ago. A muffled ring would be held on 31st May to commemorate the loss of W Treloar and there had been 2 others in the past year. Maintenance was being carried out on the bells. They would welcome new ringers. It was noted.

Church

Report submitted by churchwarden Lindsay Hockley.

Rev'd Lesley Walker continues as the Rector of the four churches in the Benefice and is the Rural Dean for Kerrier. Last September she was made an honorary Canon in recognition of the work she does for the Diocese. Rev'd Heather Aston continues as Curate/rev but having now finished her training is likely to be moving to her own parish later this year.

The church continues to maintain a varied pattern of services, both in terms of time and content and from time to time holds special services, such as the All Souls Service in November.

Last autumn it was confirmed that we had been successful in the first round bid for grant funding

from the Heritage Lottery Fund for the roof works. Further grants have since been obtained, but there is still a significant shortfall in the sum required. Pauline Arnold continues to apply for grants, and opening-up works were carried out in January. The decorative ironwork to the Porch and Lych gate has been refurbished with the help of a grant.

Fund raising has been successful, with the Summer Fete raising over £700 and the Christmas Bazaar over £1,000. Regular monthly coffee mornings continue to be held and the church participates in Feast Week, hosting a concert and putting on a charity Quiz. Community help and support for all these activities is good.

In March we issued a Newsletter which was distributed to all households in the Parish which gave up-to-date information on the roof works and grant funding as well as providing contact details for church personnel.

The Vyvyan Coach House has new Trustees and Lesley Roberts is the bookings officer.

The Bell tower remains active, ringing the bells every Sunday and on special occasions such as the Queen's Birthday, and continues to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the death of Mawgan residents in the First World War.

Church members are involved in various community organisations: the Rector is on the Board of Governors at Garras School, as was the Treasurer until last summer, one member of the PCC is on the Parish Council, and the Secretary drives for the Lizard Helpline and is editor of 'The Messenger' magazine.

The continued support of the Parish Council in paying for the maintenance of the churchyards is greatly appreciated by the PCC and the community.

The Churchwardens
Pauline Arnold and Lindsay Hockley

Lunch Club

Cllr Mrs Dot Spragg reported that the lunch club was averaging 16-18 people each month but was not

attracting new people. The 3-course lunches were excellent at £4 each. There was a good band of volunteers helping to cook, wash up, clean and serve. Everyone enjoyed the occasion each month.

Recreation Hall

Cllr Mrs Dot Spragg reported that there had been the AGM on 9th May where a proper report was given and would be sent to the Clerk. The Recreation Hall Committee was very grateful to the Parish Council for the money to help with the completion of the parking extension and fencing, plus all the other help throughout the past year.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business from the parishioners; the Chairman closed the Annual Meeting at 7.33pm.

CHAIRMAN

Date