

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Mawgan Parish Council held in the Recreation Hall on Wednesday 15th May 2019, immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.20pm

Present

Councillor Kevin Roberts (Chairman)
 “ Michael Laity (Vice-chairman)
 “ Mrs Pearl Merton
 “ Miss Lindsay Hockley
 “ Colin Chapman
 “ Alan Harris

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1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Shaun Lock and Cornwall Cllr Julian Rand.

2. Members to sign code of conduct and register of interests - This only needed doing in election year.

3. Election of Officers

a) Chairman

The current Chairman Cllr Kevin Roberts did not wish to stand again and invited nominations. Vice-chair Michael Laity was nominated but did not wish to take the Chair. It was proposed and seconded that Cllr Colin Chapman take the Chair. Cllr Colin Chapman accepted and took the Chair and thanked Cllr Kevin Roberts for all his work over the past 3 years.

b) Vice-chairman

It was RESOLVED that Cllr Michael Laity remains Vice-chairman. Cllr Laity accepted.

c) Footpaths Officer

It was RESOLVED in his absence that Cllr Vivian Benney remains footpath officer, subject to his agreement. This agreement has since been sought and agreed.

d) Press Officer

Cllr Lindsay Hockley was happy to continue.

e) Recreation Hall Committee representative

Cllr Mrs Pearl Merton was happy to continue for now.

f) Emergency Committee

Chairman, Vice-chairman and Clerk

g) Tree Warden

It was RESOLVED in his absence that Cllr Anthony Hoskin remains Tree Warden, subject to his agreement. This agreement has since been sought and agreed.

h) Weekly playground inspection

Cllr Alan Harris would take this on.

4. To confirm adoption of standing orders (as last year and emailed)

It was RESOLVED that the standing orders be re-adopted.

5. To confirm that the clerk be the responsible financial officer (RFO)

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6. To confirm adoption of financial regulations (as last year and emailed)

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7. To confirm adoption of risk assessment (as last year and emailed)

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8. To approve the annual governance statement for year ending 31st March 2019

This had not been received back from the internal auditor and would be deferred until the June meeting as Council had until 30th June to submit this to external audit.

9. To approve the annual accounting statements for year ending 31st March 2019

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10. To receive the record of attendance

This better than many councils and was noted.

11. To receive the assets register

This was noted.

12. To consider the dates for the council meetings

These were approved, including moving the December meeting to the second Wednesday of the month instead of the third.

13. Members to declare personal & prejudicial interests (incl details thereon) re any items on this agenda and any dispensations thereon previously granted or requested now

Cllr Colin Chapman – item 19 – has a pecuniary interest as an officer but has dispensation granted by Parish Council.

- 14. Public questions (15 minutes in total – 2 minutes each - to speak on agenda item or raise a new subject). This is your only chance to speak unless invited to do so elsewhere by the Chairman.**

A member of the public noted that Cormac had re-instated a drain grating within 2 weeks of the request. Government funding formula caused underfunding to services due to ‘perceived’ locality and rural area felt to be healthier.

15. To receive Cornwall Cllr Julian Rand’s report.

In his absence, Cornwall Cllr Julian Rand sent a written report:

Cornwall Council continues to be “energised” in many different ways as it tries to maintain its finances and quality of service in a fast changing and challenging world. Having “balanced” its Budget for 2019/20, it now faces the challenges of providing for ever increasing demands for its services from its very tight finances.

Some of the Cornwall issues are:

- 1) **Aging population** – by the end of 2019, 25% of the population (138,000) will be aged 65 or over - by 2030 there will be a further 44,000 aged over 65.
- 2) 10,500 people have a **learning disability**. 2000 have a moderate or severe learning disability.
- 3) **Poverty** – 30,000 children live in poverty.
- 4) **Affordability** - the average House price is £220,000.
- 5) **Prosperity** – the average gross wage is £20,301 (85% of the national average).
- 6) **Health:**
 - a) 83% of hospital admissions are for acute services (compared with 42% nationally).
 - b) We have high numbers of people with respiratory problems admitted to hospital.
 - c) We are not achieving the national standard for the diagnosis of Dementia.
 - d) We are ranked worst in the Country for deaths from suicide.
 - f) We have 600 care worker vacancies.
- 7) **Schools Funding** – Early Years to Sixth Forms and beyond – remains in the bottom 10 LAs, with Primary funding 2.5% less than the national average, secondary funding 4.5% less than the national average and Early Years 49.4% less than the top funded LA (Camden). [*data from DSG 2018-19*]

In the month since the last Mawgan Parish Council meeting, I have attended Manaccan, St Keverne and St Martin Parish Council meetings, Community Network meeting, West Cornwall Local Action meeting, Cornwall Community Foundation – grant funding meeting, Strategic Planning Committee, Overview & Scrutiny training, Planning Training, Corserv Board meeting, Road Safety Event, Children & Families Overview & Scrutiny.

I will be attending the Cury Parish Council meeting this evening, so send my apologies for not being with you. I thank you for all your continued support.

16. To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting, having previously been circulated, be signed as a true and correct record.

17. Matters arising from the minutes – not covered elsewhere in this agenda

There were no matters arising from the minutes – not covered elsewhere in this agenda.

18. To receive planning decisions from Cornwall Council

16.04.2019 PA19/01829 APPROVED

Applicant: Mr & Mrs I Edwards

Location: Land off Langweath Lane Mawgan Cornwall

Proposal: Reserved matters application (appearance, landscaping and scale) following outline approval under ref. PA15/11967 for the open market dwelling only (Plot 3).

19. To receive report on Recreation Hall meeting and future committee members

Members were happy for Cllr Colin Chapman to remain in the Chair during discussion of this item and to give information. A meeting of the Recreation Hall Committee had been held 2 weeks earlier when 12 people attended. They were quite keen to become involved and certainly did not want it to

fail. 2 were interested in becoming Committee members but were advised to wait until the AGM. The situation was looking better than it had for a long time. Its play equipment had recently received a clean bill of health under its annual inspection and the hall was well used.

20. To further consider Feast week

A meeting would be held the following week to finalise matters. The Clerk and Cllr Lindsay Hockley both gave their apologies in advance as they would be up at 4.30/5am the following morning for a 16 hour stint in a polling station. Meanwhile, the Clerk would forward the Owl leaflet for printing as it had now been altered and proof read by Cllr Lindsay Hockley.

21. To receive update with regard to solar defibrillator

This had arrived and the electrician had been requested to install it. It was agreed that Cllr Hoskin be asked to install the mounting post into the grass before the electrician arrived.

22. To consider playground inspection report for Glebe play area

This was noted and Coastline would be asked how much it would sell the land for.

23. Correspondence

- a) To consider any subjects that wish to be addressed at 2nd MP conference Penzance

A Cormac session, similar to the one held at Scorrier on 8th May where a lengthsman scheme could be discussed along with consideration that Cormac pays Council for work it did on its behalf, similar to the LMP footpath trimming arrangement, which worked well.

24. Clerk's & Councils Direct magazine

This was noted but the article on 'Danger Zone for Cllrs' would be scanned and emailed to members.

25. Items for inclusion on next month's agenda

Items 8 & 9, report on Feast Week, to consider future projects within parish.

26. To receive the financial statement

£45,745.99 was in the bank before taking into account the cheques below.

27. To approve the following outstanding accounts:

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| a) Clerk's pay May (net tax & pension) | £514.68 | f) SSE bus shelter electricity | £3.80 |
| b) Clerk's expenses (May) | £25.99 | g) Zurich insurance renewal | £569.44 |
| c) Cornwall Pension Fund (May) | £131.80 | h) Trim Recreation Ground x 2 (Apr) | £240.00 |
| d) Gold 2-cut paths 1 st cut | £282.88 | i) Playground inspections | £164.40 |
| e) Trim churchyards x 2 (Apr) | £504.00 | | |

28. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – For information only

Trevassack Quarry would be open the following Sunday for the public to see how HRCST planned to use its £1.7m pounds of funding it had just received to create a year round sail training facility and accommodation for disabled children. It was noted.

29. Date of next meeting – 19th June 2019. There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.09pm.