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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2020 AT SHORTLANESEND VILLAGE HALL AT 7.05PM

405/2020 PRESENT: CLLRS. I HOLROYD (CHAIRMAN), M HARRY (VICE CHAIRMAN), B HILTON, D GREEN, K HART, R YEXLEY, T HEWITT, F J DYER MBE, M HOLROYD, A GAMMON, A WILLSHEE

MRS K J HARDING – CLERK TO THE COUNCIL

Also present: one member of the public

406/2020 APOLOGIES: CLLR. W ROBINSON

407/2020 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO DECLARE DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AS REQUIRED BY THE KENWYN PARISH COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS AND BY THE LOCALISM ACT 2011.

No declarations of interest.

408/2020 QUESTIONS FROM PARISHIONERS (10 MINUTES MAXIMUM, 3 MINUTES PER PARISHIONER)

Cllr. Yexley – asked for an update on the report she gave at the last meeting regarding a path that needed maintenance.

The Clerk advised it was not in the ownership of Kenwyn Parish Council and she was still trying to find out who was responsible for it but she believed it was probably Cornwall Council.

409/2020 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements.

410/2020 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 12th February 2020 were agreed and signed.

The minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 12th February 2020 were agreed and signed.

411/2020 REPORTS OF MEETINGS

Cllr. Green – had attended the recent Community Governance Review meeting where Cllr. Roden and Cllr. Tudor spoke as individuals but not as councillors maintaining their view that Gloweth should be taken inside the city council's boundary. Cllr. Green was able to refute all the reasons they put forward. A final decision will be made on the boundaries in July 2020.

Cllr. Dyer – read the following report and later gave it to the Clerk to reproduce in the minutes.

The report below is the exact copy of that handed to the Clerk by Cllr. Dyer and is not the work of the Clerk.

*Central Planning Committee – Monday 17th February 2020
Application by Miss M Hoare at Idless*

Because a member of this council declared a 'non pecuniary' interest in her application which was an agenda item for consideration to this parish council.

Miss Hoare was present with a planning consultation from Laurence Osborne Associates. The meeting was held at St. Austell.

On Tuesday 18th February questions were asked by this planning consultant or Miss Hoare to Cornwall Council's Code of Conduct Team.

They then 'phoned me and asked if I would take this answer further. My response was that I would not, my responsibility was to deal with the planning situation. I was also made aware of the, to me, very sad atmosphere between Miss M Hoare and her older sister Miss Marion Hoare.

The planning officer was recommending to me 'a refusal' of the application. I thought, knowing the geographical situation that the application was marginal, and rather than make a delegated refusal with the planning officer I requested the application be placed on the full planning committees agenda.

When an item is 'called' to committee the local ward or division member cannot vote so the committee of 15 elected members was reduced to 14 in fact in this case it was 13 members because Dulcie Tudor had sent her apologies. On a 'call in' case the relevant parish council is also invited to send a spokesperson. The planning officer maintained his refusal but admitted it was marginal.

The committee voted 9 in favour and 4 against granting permission. So what was very sad to me was one Miss M Hoare went home unhappy but the other Miss M Hoare went home very happy.

Cllr. Yexley - along with Cllr. Hewitt, Cllr. Green and Cllr. Hart had attended the public meeting organised by Cllr. Tudor at Threemilestone Community Centre to discuss the current problems in the village such as arson, anti-social behaviour and vandalism.

A group had been formed and were patrolling, in a non-confrontational way, at night. They had set up a Facebook Page which was being run very responsibly. It was suggested by the agencies present that a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme should be formed and those running these patrols should join with other like-minded groups to form this. The Clerk had advised that CALC had agreed with her view that parish council funding could be used to assist with this.

The meeting was very well attended with over 100 members of the public present.

Cllr. Yexley relayed a query from the meeting regarding the CCTV Installation at the playing field and whether or not the cameras were infra-red and could pick up images at night. Cllr. Harry advised the cameras were night vision cameras and they would be capable of picking up images at night.

Cllr. Green advised the Inspector Millburn and Cllr. Tudor had joined one of the night-time patrols and he and Cllr. Hewitt would do the same soon.

Cllr. Yexley advised the playing field was being included in the night-time patrols.

412/2020 S106 TENDERING AND APPOINTING CONTRACTOR TO FORMULATE TENDER DOCUMENT FOR REMAINING S106 FUNDS TO IMPROVE PLAY AREAS ACROSS THE PARISH

Cllr. Green – advised Rachel Gaunt had offered to do this work free of charge via a Landscape Architect who was currently working on the Langarth development. He would be funded via his work at Langarth. There was a meeting on 3rd March where this could be progressed.

Cllr. Harry expressed his concern about a conflict of interest here given Rachel Gaunt was progressing the project at the school.

Cllr. Willshee raised concern about anyone carrying out this work for free and whether their insurance would cover them in these circumstances.

The Clerk queried whether the Architect's indemnity cover would stretch to this. She also asked if this person was conversant with local government financial regulations. She urged members to think carefully about this as it had to be done legally and lawfully and the council must not breach its financial regulations on this. She urged caution as did Cllr. Harry.

The Chairman advised the Clerk had submitted applications to the S106 Officer to draw down funding for improvements at Threemilestone and Shortlanesend. One quote was still awaited for the Chyvelah Ope application and this would be submitted as soon as it was received and members had chosen their preferred contractor. Again, this would be done via email given the time constraints.

413/2020 TO APPROVE THE WEED SPRAYING QUOTE FOR THE 2020 SEASON

RESOLVED: TO APPROVE THE WEED SPRAYING QUOTE FOR THE 2020 SEASON

Proposed by: Cllr. Hilton

Seconded by: Cllr. Yexley

Vote: unanimous

414/2020 TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDED OPERATION LONDON BRIDGE PROTOCOL

RESOLVED: TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDED OPERATION LONDON BRIDGE PROTOCOL

Proposed by: Cllr. Harry

Seconded by: Cllr. Hewitt

Vote: 11 in favour, Cllr. Hilton abstained.

415/2020 ANY OTHER ITEM THE CHAIRMAN DEEMS AS URGENT

No other urgent items.

The meeting closed at 7.31pm.