

**Minutes of the meeting of South Petherwin Parish Council held on
Wednesday 10th January 2024, at 7.00pm, in South Petherwin Methodist Chapel
Schoolroom, South Petherwin.**

Present: Cllr P Parsons (Chairman), Cllr A Barham (Vice Chair), Cllr A Finnimore, Cllr M Lewis, Cllr J Butler and Cllr R Kneebone.

In Attendance: L Coles, Parish Clerk and Cllr A Parsons, Cornwall Councillor.

There were two members of the public present.

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| | Prior to the start of the meeting the Councillors and members of the public reflected on the work and life of the recently deceased acting Parish Councillor Mike Screech and former Councillor John Edwards. Both had played an active role in both Parish Council life and that of the community which the Council Members are planning to arrange some formal recognition on the next meeting agenda. The Council and members of the public stood for a minute silence in their memory. | |
| 1 | Chairman's welcome. All were welcomed to the meeting. | |
| 2 | Apologies. Cllr A Jasper and Cllr J Barlow | |
| 3 | Declarations of Interest. a) Agenda Items. None declared. b) Gifts. None declared. | |
| 4 | Consideration of written requests for dispensation. None received. | |
| 5 | Unitary Councillor's Report Cllr Parsons said that Cornwall Council has decided not to cut the free school transport services across the County. There has been a legislative change to the AONB in Cornwall but this will not affect South Petherwin. It has been a busy period dealing with the storm damage and this has highlighted a need for a properly funded Highways Budget to deal with such issues. Cllr Parsons also spoke about Healthy Cornwall and will send his notes to the Clerk. | |
| 6 | Public Participation. A member of the public has expressed an interest in the Casual Vacancy created by the resignation of Sam Sleep. | |
| 7 | Response to Public Participation. Not applicable. | |
| 8 | Planning. a) Planning applications received before the agenda was finalised: PA23/09810 , Land South of Chapel House, South Petherwin, Launceston, Cornwall. Reserved matters for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale following outline consent for PA22/01444 dated 29.04.22. Following discussion it was agreed that due regard needs to be given to the turning circle for vehicles, as shown on the plans; it does not appear that there is enough room for a car to turn. It was RESOLVED to support this application with the proviso that a strong emphasis is put on consideration of the turning circle; that this is revised to allow a vehicle to manoeuvre, i.e. turn round, inside the curtilage of the property without having to reverse out onto the highway, proposed by Cllr Finnimore, seconded by Cllr Butler with all in favour. b) Planning applications received after the agenda was published: None. c) Planning decisions notified by Cornwall Council: d) Other Planning Matters. None brought forward. | |
| 9 | Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 13th December 2023: It was RESOLVED that the Minutes are a true record of that meeting. Proposed by Cllr Barham, seconded by Cllr Butler with those who had been present at the meeting in | |

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| | favour. | |
| 10 | Matters Arising from the above Minutes. No matters brought forward. | |
| 11 | Bio Diversity Policy. It was RESOLVED to adopt the policy as read, proposed by Cllr Barham, seconded by Cllr Butler with all in favour. | |
| 12 | A30/B3257 Junction at Bodmin Services (Plusha). An announcement from National Highways to the Community Area Panel (CAP) is expected early this year. | |
| 13 | Parish Matters. a) Church Lighting. The Chairman reported that this is ongoing but there is a need to be conscious of bio diversity. b) School Transport. Already reported but the decision indicates a good exercise in lobbying. c) D-Day Celebrations June 2024. The Chairman suggested a Memory Day to encourage residents to come forward with memories of the 6 th June 1944. There will be a Parish Beacon on the Thursday (6 th June) and the Clerk will contact Bruno Peak for details. It was agreed to hold a Forties Cream Tea on Saturday 8 th June as a Memory Day. | Clerk |
| 14 | Highway and Footpath matters a) Daws House, ongoing issues with speed and visibility. Cornwall Council Highways' proposals have been accepted by the Parish Council as minuted at the last meeting, and the Clerk will check to see what the delivery dates for the proposals are. b) It was reported that official confirmation has been received from Cornwall Highways that it has adopted the footpath at Tiny Meadows and this will be included on future maintenance schedules. c) The Clerk will ask Oliver Jones about a public consultation for the 20mph scheme. | Clerk Clerk |
| 15 | Correspondence. a) Request for Parish Council to consider getting Hedgehog warning signs. Noted b) Cornwall Council's Resettlement Service. Afghans in Cornwall. Noted c) Cornwall Council's adoption notification at Tiny Meadows. Noted d) Planning fees and planning consultation responses update. Noted. It was agreed to look at the Parish Council's protocol for dealing with applications that fall outside of meeting dates for a decision. | Clerk |
| 16 | Finance. a) Payments. It was RESOLVED to make the following payments for December, proposed by Cllr Barham, seconded by Cllr Finnimore with all in favour. Online – L Coles, Clerk's salary, expenses and office for December Online – HMRC, Clerk's PAYE for December Online – Angel Peerless cleaning of toilet & bus shelter December - £56.00 Online – L Coles, RBL Remembrance Sunday Wreaths - £50.00 Online – St Paternus Church PCC, grant for churchyard maintenance - £500.00 Online – EDF Energy, Quarterly bill for toilets - £128.35 Receipts: Deposit Account Interest - £149.72 b) Reconciliations. To RESOLVE to approve the bank reconciliations for December. It was RESOLVED that this is a true record, proposed by Cllr Butler, seconded by Cllr Kneebone with all in favour. The bank balance 31/12/2023 stands at £34,898.40. c) The Wind Turbine funding. No further update. d) Preferred Maintenance Contractors. The Clerk will draw up a list of local contractors to be consulted when maintenance issues occur and ask if they wish to be included. A 'No Smoking' sign will be purchased for the toilets. The Clerk will contact Oliver Jones about the site for the dog bin in the lay-by in Tregaller Lane, and will contact Biffa for the contract to empty. | Clerk Clerk Clerk |

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| | e) Quotes for Bus Shelter. The Clerk has received the quote for the repairs to the bus shelter from Andy Crocombe and it was RESOLVED to appoint him to carry out the repairs. Proposed by Cllr Barham, seconded by Cllr Kneebone with all in favour. | |
| 17 | Any Other Business Cllr Kneebone said that a Salt Bin is needed at Trevozah Cross to be put on the 10ft wide verge towards Little Comfort where the water rises and freezes. The Clerk will liaise with Highways regarding the position and will get a price for the next meeting. | Clerk |
| 18 | Items for inclusion in future meetings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salt Bin • Dog Bin Contract • Casual Vacancy | Clerk |
| 19 | Date of next meeting. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 21 st February 2024 at 7pm in the Methodist Chapel Schoolroom, South Petherwin. *** | |
| 20 | Closed Session. Pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, members of the public and press left the meeting at this point. The Clerk also left whilst staffing matters were discussed. | |

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.42 hrs.

Signed.....Chairman Dated.....

*****PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WHICH WILL BE HELD ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF FEBRUARY, THE 21ST.**