

CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Constantine Parish Council held on Thursday January 15, 2015 at 7.00pm in The Vestry, Constantine.

Present: Cllr N.Wiseman Cllr Miss C.Evans
 Cllr J.Andrew
 Cllr A.H.Bolt Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors: CCllr Hatton.

In the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman, Cllr Bolt proposed and it was agreed that Cllr Wiseman should take the Chair. The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the January meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No matters were raised during Public Question Time.

1 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Mrs D'Alton (indisposed), Cllr Carter (otherwise engaged), Cllr Mrs Dunstan (otherwise engaged), Cllr Gray (indisposed), Cllr Nicholls (work) and PCSO Wood sent their apologies for absence. Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded, all in favour to accept those apologies.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

in items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

of gifts (received as a result of being a member of the Council) of a value greater than £25

There were no declarations of gifts of a value greater than £25.

3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded, Cllr Miss Evans being absent from the last meeting abstained, all others in favour that, with the hand-written amendment, the minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday December 11, 2014 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES BUT NOT INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA

There were no matters arising which were not included on the agenda.

5 POLICE REPORT

Through the Clerk, PCSO Wood reported that during December six crimes (of assault, of theft, of criminal damage and three vehicle related incidents) were reported to the police and that four 999 calls were logged, (two domestic incidents, an incidence of anti-social behaviour and a road traffic collision).

6 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

CCllr Hatton reported that

- at long last the historic fingerpost at Calamansac has been repaired. (Speaking on behalf of the Parish Council the Chairman thanked CCllr Hatton for his tireless efforts in achieving this milestone!)
- using delegated powers, the Planning Officer concerned is minded to grant planning permission for development at Treetops in Trewince Lane. CCllr Hatton stated that he is aware that the Parish Council does not agree with this decision and asked members to consider relevant material planning reasons to seek refusal. It

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was suggested that the cumulative visual impact of additions to the built environment on both the historic village and the AONB militates against permission being granted

- a change in government policy which previously required an element affordable housing on exception sites now means that a site of less than eleven new homes does not have to include an affordable housing component
- the house-building target for the local Community Network Area identified in the emerging Cornwall Local Plan has already been met, indeed it has been exceeded
- he is concerned that Planning Officers are required to give their opinion about applications before the matter has been properly debated. Elected Councillors are not permitted to do this: they would be pre-determining the application contrary to the Code of Conduct.

7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Parish Councillors

The Clerk reported that he had received no expression of interest from members of the public in co-opting onto the Council.

Fields in Trust

Members considered renewing membership of Fields in Trust (which is the Custodian Trustee of the Alice Hext Recreation Ground) in the sum of £50. Following discussion, Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded, all in favour that, using the General Power of Competence (adopted by Constantine Parish Council on May 16, 2013), Constantine Parish Council should forward the sum of £50 to Fields in Trust and so renew membership.

8 PARISH MATTERS

To consider siting a public light on Clinton Road

Members noted that the matter is in hand: the bracket has been made and is presently with the galvaniser.

9 PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

PA14/11568 Lamanva Developments – Construction of a garage – Comfort View, Well Lane. Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

Decisions

PA14/09956 REFUSED – Erection of triple garage, gardener's store with residential annex over – Hendrawna House, Polwheveral – *noted*

PA14/11526 APPROVED – Proposed access improvements and replacement side and rear extensions to existing dwelling – 13 Brillwater Road, Constantine – *noted*

Correspondence

Cornwall Council notification of an appeal against the Planning Authority's decision to refuse permission for the development of solar photovoltaic panels and associated works including substation housing, boundary fencing and cameras (installed capacity 2.1 mW) at Butteriss Farm – *noted*

10 CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Cornwall Blind Association acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter – *noted*

Peninsula News NHS newsletter – *noted*

11 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk presented Councillors with a statement of Constantine Parish Council's financial position as at January 15, 2015. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

Members considered a request from the Trustees of Constantine Church Hall for financial help towards the purchase of new chairs. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Miss Evans, seconded by Cllr Andrew, all others in favour that, using the General Power of Competence, Constantine Parish Council should forward the sum of £400.00 to Constantine Church Hall.

Members noted payment of the following account consequent upon the report given at the meeting in December

	GROSS	NET	VAT
Mrs T.Clowes (Christmas lights expenses)	£ 577.56		

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The following accounts were presented for payment

	GROSS	NET	VAT
Mr G.Jorey	£ 304.00		
Mrs J.Jennings	£ 52.00		
R.Sanders (cemetery)	£ 375.00		
Travis Perkins (public convenience sundries)	£ 17.72	£ 14.77	£ 2.95
Viridor Waste Management Ltd	£ 49.18	£ 40.98	£ 8.20
E.On UK plc (public lighting)	£ 63.24	£ 60.23	£ 3.01
Kernow Tree Surgery (overhanging trees)	£ 270.00	£ 225.00	£ 45.00
Colin Chapman			
salary (December)	£ 502.26		
telephone	£ 22.04		
office expenses	£ 46.44		
travelling	£ 35.36		
use of home	£ 25.00		
total	£ 631.10		

Proposed by Cllr Bolt, seconded by Cllr Miss Evans, all others in favour that the above eight accounts be paid.

The following account in relation to expenses for the Recreation Ground was presented for payment

	GROSS	NET	VAT
Pilgrim and Treloar (youth shack)	£ 2,681.34	£ 2,234.45	£ 446.89

Proposed by Cllr Bolt, seconded by Cllr Andrew, all others in favour that the above account be paid.

Members noted the following receipts

Mrs Jewell (donation)	£ 50.00
Keith Penrose (Mrs Edna Richards)	£ 250.00

12 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

No reports were tabled.

13 COMMENTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Cllr Bolt reported that following correspondence with Cornwall Council he had been informed that Highways will re-surface the road through Seworgan in the coming financial year.

14 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday February 19, 2015 at 7:00pm in The Vestry, Constantine.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8:01pm.

Signed.....

Dated.....

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