

CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Constantine Parish Council held on Tuesday July 21, 2016 at 7.00pm in The Vestry, Constantine.

Present: Cllr E.Nicholls Cllr Miss C.Evans
Cllr J.Andrew Cllr Mrs T.Thomson
Cllr H.Bolt Cllr N.Wiseman
Cllr A.Carter
Cllr Mrs S.Dunstan Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors: CCllr J.Bastin, Mr Cook and Mr and Mrs Platt.

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice-Chairman, Cllr Nicholls, assumed the chair and welcomed members and visitors to the July meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Platt asked for the Council's support for his and his wife's planning application.

Speaking as the agent for Mr and Mrs Gilewicz, Mr Cook said that the application for the erection of garages and a garden store at Hendrawna House had been comprehensively revised: the present application was of a very different design from either of the two preceding. The building itself is smaller and lower and its impact upon the landscape will be less than the existing building. Moreover, being constructed of natural stone and slate, the visual effect will be considerably more pleasing than the existing building. All the trees are being kept: they are considered to have an important amenity value.

The Clerk drew members' attention to a complaint from a resident of Brillwater Road concerning the loss of enjoyment from her garden as a result both of the ever-growing trees bordering her property and the spread of grass from the Recreation Ground. Cllr Bolt offered to go and speak to her about the problem.

The question of long-term parking on the Parish Council's new car park was raised and it was suggested that a notice banning this practice might be put on site.

1 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr P.Carter (holiday) sent his apologies for absence. Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Wiseman seconded, all others in favour to accept his apologies.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

in items on the agenda

Cllr Mrs Thomson declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Planning Application PA16/02728

Cllr Nicholls declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Planning Application PA16/05971

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 Mrs Dunstan proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded, all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on June 2, 2016 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as being accurate.

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

In answer to a question, the Clerk reported that the launching slip at Port Navas has now been repaired.

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5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

CCLlr Bastin reported that

- Cornwall Council has not only adopted the Living Wage Foundation's recommended minimum of £8.25 an hour for its lowest paid employees, but has raised the pay scale of all other employees by a single step
- there is much talk at County Hall about the involvement of Parish Councils in the pre-application planning process (with all costs to be absorbed by the developer)
- Neighbourhood Plans appear to have increasing weight when planning decisions are made. The fact that a Position Statement published before the final document is also of considerable influence possibly means that all Parish Councils should seriously consider the creation of a Plan
- Cornwall Council is hoping to increase the rate of recycling from the present 34% to 50%

6 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Co-opted members

The Clerk reported that he had received no expression of interest in co-option.

Neighbourhood Plan

Members considered a proposal from Mawnan Parish Council to collaborate with both Mawnan and Budock Parish Councils in the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Nicholls agreed to meet with a Councillor from Mawnan Smith to discuss the matter.

Constantine Community Land Trust

Members considered a proposal from the CCLT to hold a Parish Meeting in early November to discuss the future provision of Local Needs housing within the community. Members agreed that the Council would stand by what had been said and would host a Public Meeting in early November.

Constantine Social Club

Members noted receipt of a report on the present situation of and future plans for the Social Club together with a copy of the annual accounts. The Clerk was authorised to forward a letter offering the Council's support to Constantine Social Club for use in applying for grant funding.

Delegated Powers

Members considered giving delegated powers to the Chairman and the Clerk to deal with day-to-day matters relating to the Parish Council during the month of August 2016. Following discussion, Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded, all others in favour that the Chairman and the Clerk should have delegated powers to deal with day-to-day matters relating to the Parish Council during the month of August 2016.

Fish and Chip Van request

Members considered a request from Mr Penney of Mullion to park a fish and chip van on the Parish Council car-park once a week. Following discussion, it was agreed to reply to Mr Penney stating that on the understanding that he has all the necessary licences in place (and will arrange for any litter created as a result of his business to be cleared), the Council would be pleased to welcome him to the village. However, members felt that the Parish Council car-park, which is extremely well used and usually full by the time he would arrive in the evening, is not quite the right place.

7 PARISH MATTERS

Alice Hext Trust: repair of the pavilion

Members noted that

- the doors and their frames have been purchased together with Yale locks (which, it was thought, may cause problems in the future)
- the front of the pavilion and the windows have been painted
- there is a great deal of untidy equipment in the pavilion
- the plumbing system needs a new pressurised hot water tank (which would solve the problems of the cold water pressure) and the pipes all need insulating
- rather than floating a new floor thought might be given to installing a corrugated rubber matting

Members noted that the Club has a new manager and appears to be re-invigorated.

Welcoming Stones

The Clerk reported that he has not, as yet, had the opportunity to liaise with Cornwall Highways about the location of the proposed welcoming stones.

8 PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

As the immediate neighbour of the applicant Cllr Mrs Thomson declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in the following application. She was not required to leave the room, but took no part in the discussion or the voting

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PA16/02728 Mr and Mrs Gilewicz – Erection of garages and garden store (amended plans) – Hendrawna House, Polwheveral. Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded, Cllr Mrs Thomson abstained, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Subject to a condition requiring the use of this building to be incidental to the use of Hendrawna House, Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/04310 Mr G.Norris – Non-material amendment following grant of planning permission PA15/06180 (First floor extension with balcony and alterations including replacement roof covering) to extend ground floor dining room forward 1.5m to align with the front of the garage to support the first floor balcony that has been granted permission directly above it. Replace existing window in new front wall – Skylarks, Brill. To note the return of this application marked with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council has no further observations.*

PA16/04657 Mrs G.Pollard – Proposed plot division, creation of new dwelling, and new access to existing dwelling, as per lapsed planning approval PA12/05952 – Rose Cottage, Bowling Green. Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr A.Carter seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application with the proviso that the exterior finish is similar to that of the adjoining property to the north, Rose Cottage, and therefore in keeping with granite characteristic of the Conservation Area. The Council requests the applicant to give consideration to the creation of a footpath rather than a visual splay along the boundary wall fronting Bowling Green to allow safer pedestrian access between the footpath to Penbothidno and Clinton Road.*

PA16/04919 Simon Ainge Jon Pearson Ltd – Application for the removal or variation of Condition 13 of Application Number: APP/D0840/A/11/2161600 (PA11/02976) dated 26/03/2012 to enable occupation of dwellings prior to provision of off-site S278 highway works – Nans Avallon, Brillwater Road. Members noted that this application has been withdrawn

PA16/04926 Mr N.Pentreath – Replace existing conservatory – 3 Clinton Road, Constantine. Cllr Mrs Dunstan proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/04953 Little T Solar Limited – Variation of condition 9 attached to decision notice PA12/04124 dated 26th October 2012 to allow for 5 years extension to the operational life of the solar farm. Replace the words “25 years and six months” with the words “30 years and six months” – Little Trevease, Constantine Cllr Mrs Thomson proposed, Cllr Miss Evans seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council endorses Wendron Parish Council’s observations concerning this application and requests the Planning Authority to refuse to make any variation of the existing conditions.*

PA16/05011 Ms Val Bruce – Erection of a dwelling identical to the existing planning permission (PA13/05622). A residential dwelling utilising the infill plot at Magpie Hill – Magpie Hill, Brillwater. Cllr Wiseman proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/05463 Mr and Mrs Fletcher – Proposed garage/store – The Carhouse, Trevaney, High Cross. Cllr Miss Evans proposed, Cllr Mrs Dunstan seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/05411 Mr L Hodges – Householder application to cut down Cornish hedge to create 15x20ft parking space – 1, Inow Terrace, Port Navas. Cllr A.Carter proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/05464 Mr S.Platt – Variation of conditions 6 and 7 attached to planning decision PA03/01257/F dated 17.12.03 (conversion of redundant barn to form self-contained unit for holiday use) to allow full residential use ancillary to the main house – Tresahor Veor, Tresahor. Cllr Mrs Thomson proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/05508 Mr R.Denny – Proposed two storey extension and modifications to Trewince Lodge – Trewince Lodge, Lane Port Navas. Cllr A.Carter proposed, Cllr Wiseman seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/05791 Mr G.Norris – Garage conversion and ground floor extension – Skylarks, Brill. Cllr Wiseman proposed, Cllr Mrs Dunstan seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/05929 Mr and Mrs Rowe-Papastavrou – Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of the building as a dwelling – land at Tucoyse Lane Higher Brill. Cllr Wiseman proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council can neither confirm nor refute the applicants’ declaration that this building has been used for residential use since its construction.*

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As the immediate neighbour of the applicant, Cllr Nicholls declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in the following application. He was not required to leave the room, but took no part in the discussion or the voting.

PA16/05971 Mr Ben Harris – Change of use of a timber cabin within a residential garden to provide self-catering holiday accommodation – land at Trewardreva Mill, Constantine. Cllr Mrs Dunstan proposed, Cllr Miss Evans seconded, Cllr Nicholls abstained all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council believes this application requires a statement indicating the method of foul and surface water treatment and accordingly requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.*

PA16/06011 Mr & Mrs R.Lyford – Proposed extensions, roof conversion including roof-lights, side porch and rear balcony – Why Worry, 8 Well Lane. Cllr Wiseman proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council makes no further comment.*

PA16/06069 Jon Pearson Ltd – Variation of condition 6 (No dwelling shall be occupied until the access road junction build-out has been constructed) to read No more than two dwellings shall be occupied until the access road junction build-out has been constructed. Application Number: PA15/04318 dated 15.07.16 refers) – Nans Avallon, Brillwater Road. Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr A.Carter seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *Constantine Parish Council makes no further comment.*

Decisions

PA15/10900 APPROVED – Erection of a single storey local needs dwelling – land NE of Trewarne, High Cross – *noted*

PA16/04310 Not acceptable as amendment – Non-material amendment following grant of planning permission PA15/06180 First floor extension with balcony and alterations including replacement roof covering) to extend ground floor dining room forward 1.5m to align with the front of the garage to support the first floor balcony that has been granted permission directly above it. Replace existing window in new front wall – Skylarks, Brill – *noted*

PA16/04600 APPROVED – Replacement dwelling – Samarkan, High Cross – *noted*

Correspondence

Mr J.Kent copy of a letter to the Planning Authority concerning differing S106 Agreements – *noted*

RTP Surveyors copy of letter addressed to the Planning Authority concerning PA16/05464 – *noted*

Mr Croftson letter of support for planning application PA16/05411 – *noted*

9 CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Constantine Silver Band acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter – *noted*

Constantine Social Club update on financial progress and future development plans – *noted*

10 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk presented Councillors with a statement of Constantine Parish Council's financial position as at July 21, 2015. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

The following accounts were presented for payment

	GROSS	NET	VAT
Mr G.Jorey	£ 299.80		
Mrs J.Jennings	£ 72.00		
E.On (public lighting)	£ 69.16	£ 65.87	£ 3.29
Viridor Waste Management Ltd	£ 51.66	£ 43.05	£ 8.61
Constantine Stores (public convenience)	£ 160.90	£ 134.09	£ 26.81
Spiral Construction Ltd (bus shelter perspex)	£ 624.00	£ 520.00	£ 104.00
Mrs E.Moore (HM the Queen's birthday tea)	£ 119.26		
R.Sanders			
Churchyards	£ 700.00		
Recreation Ground	£ 350.00		
Bowling Green/Penbothidno	£ 48.00		
	totals	£ 1,317.60	£ 219.60
Colin Chapman			
Salary (June)	£ 603.69		
telephone	£ 21.77		
office expenses	£ 37.41		
travelling	£ 21.22		
use of home	£ 25.00		
	total	£ 709.09	

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Proposed by Cllr A.Carter, seconded by Cllr Mrs Dunstan, all others in favour that the above nine accounts be paid.
 The following accounts in relation to expenses for the Recreation Ground was presented for payment

	GROSS	NET	VAT
EdF Energy	£ 28.04	£ 26.70	£ 1.34

Proposed by Cllr Nicholls, seconded by Cllr Mrs Dunstan, all others in favour that the above account be paid.

Members noted the following receipts

Ronnie Richards Memorial Charity	£ 272.40
Western Power Wayleave (Recreation Ground)	£ 43.63
Electricity meter (Recreation Ground)	£ 23.00

11 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr Mrs Thomson reported that she had attended the recent Community Network Meeting. The evening had mostly been spent discussing student accommodation at Falmouth University, but it had become clear that the Cornwall Plan was now back from Central Government and the final consultation period would begin shortly. Following that it will be discussed by Cornwall Council at a full meeting and, following adoption, will (all being well) be in place in November. The Chairman thanked Cllr Mrs Thomson for continuing to represent Constantine Parish Council at these meetings.

12 COMMENTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Cllr Andrew reported that the public convenience is still being locked before 8.00pm and that the internal light is on throughout the night.

Members noted that the bus shelter has yet to be painted and that thoughtless parking outside the Social Club makes it very difficult for motorists.

13 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday September 15, 2016 at 7:00pm in The Vestry, Constantine

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.42pm.

Signed.....

Dated.....

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