

CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Constantine Parish Council held on Thursday October 20, 2016 at 7.00pm in The Vestry, Constantine.

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

Visitors: CCllr J.Bastin, Mr Bradley and Mrs Parnell.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the October meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mrs Parnell expressed concerns about the number of mature trees that have recently been felled, particularly to the west of the village. Members agreed with this sentiment feeling that their removal detracts from the landscape character of the village. It was noted that Cornwall Council has insisted that trees overhanging the road are trimmed or removed to allow the passage of double-decker buses.

1 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr A.Carter (previous engagement) and Cllr Nicholls (business) sent their apologies for absence. Cllr Wiseman proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded, all others in favour to accept their 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 Andrew proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded, all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on September 15, 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

There were no matters arising from the minutes which are not included on this agenda.

5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

CCllr Bastin reported that

- the Local Plan is scheduled to be signed off at a full meeting of Cornwall Council on November 22 – although county-wide housing allocations are still out for public consultation
- the Unitary Authority has signed up to pilot the retention of Business Rates: this does mean that grants from Central Government will not be forthcoming and the position regarding small business rate relief is unclear
- on November 4 at the Methodist Chapel in Falmouth a presentation 'Thinking Differently' will examine how Cornwall Council will look in ten years' time. One suggestion is that the present Cabinet should act much as Cornwall County Council did in the past and that the Community Network Areas with their elected Councillors should act as the District Councils used to do
- Public Rights of Way enforcement issues have been taken back in house by Cornwall Council. The new Head of Enforcement is Gavin Smith.

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6 PARISH MATTERS

Alice Hext Trust: repair of the pavilion

Members noted that no further work on the pavilion has been undertaken by the Football Club.

The Alice Hext Trust: replacement of a section of the chain-link fencing

Members noted the lack of any progress on the replacement of the chain-link fencing between the Social Club and the pavilion. Mr Atkinson had been instructed to undertake the repair in November 2015 and that instruction was re-stated in April 2016. In the circumstances it was agreed that the Council acting as the Management Trustee should seek quotations from other suitably qualified fencing contractors.

Welcoming Stones

The Chairman suggested that he and two or three other Councillors should meet at the quarry and pick out three blocks of granite for engraving. The Clerk was asked to seek advice from Wearne's as to the size necessary for the chosen form of words.

The new car-park

Members considered a proposal to add a tarmac strip to the car-park both to prevent stone being washed down the road and into the drains and to act as a footpath. Following discussion, during the course of which it was noted that quotations for the work had been obtained from D.A.Giles and from Cormac, the Chairman proposed, Cllr Wiseman seconded, all others in favour that Cormac (which originally constructed the car-park) should be instructed to carry out the work, but that the Clerk should do his best to negotiate a better price.

7 PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

PA16/07802 Mr C.Perry – Works to Beech tree, Chestnut tree and 2 Oak trees – Treetops, Trewince Lane, Port Navas. Cllr Wiseman proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded all others in favour that this application should be returned marked *Subject to the agreement of the County Tree Officer, Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/08371 Mr and Mrs J.Martin – Proposed new replacement garden room, new roof lantern to kitchen and replacement balcony to first floor bedroom – Menthownick, Port Navas. Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded all others in favour that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA16/08495 Bosvathick Riding Stables – Variation to condition 5 of PA11/06671 – Bosvathick Riding Stables. Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Mrs Dunstan seconded all others in favour that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council supports the intention of Condition 5 but equally would support a variation which will give financial institutions the confidence to invest in the holiday aspect of the business.*

Decisions

PA16/04953 APPROVED – 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 – *noted*

PA16/06011 APPROVED – Proposed extensions, roof conversion including rooflights, side porch and rear balcony – Why Worry, 8 Well Lane, Constantine – *noted*

PA16/06161 REFUSED – Outline planning permission with all matters reserved: Proposed construction of a single local needs dwelling – land adjacent The Old Smithy, Jobs Water – *noted*

PA16/06328 Decided not to make a TPO – Works to Sycamore tree. Crown lifting/reduction to provide 2.5m - 3m clearance to building – 3 Clinton Road, Constantine – *noted*

PA16/07003 PART APPROVED/PART REFUSED – Various tree works – The Old Kiln, Quay Road, Port Navas – *noted*

PA16/07064 APPROVED – Proposed rear extension with Juliet balcony – 3 Well Lane, Constantine – *noted*

PA16/07460 APPROVED – Erection of dwelling, identical to dwelling approved in PA16/05011 but revision to position of driveway – Magpie Hill, Brillwater – *noted*

PA16/07474 PART APPROVED/PART REFUSED – Various tree works to trees subject to a TPO – Linden Lea, Trewince Lane, Port Navas – *noted*

PA16/07710 APPROVED – Application for amendment to application PA15/09347 (Extension to dwelling) to raise the roof of the single storey dining room extension – 52 Fore Street, Constantine – *noted*

PA16/08048 NOT ACCEPTABLE AS AMENDMENT – Non-material amendment following grant of planning permission PA16/02728 – Hendrawna House, Polwheveral – *noted*

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PA16/08200 APPROVED – Proposed garden store shed – Ponsaverran Barn Cottage, Port Navas – *noted*

Correspondence

CC Planning Conferences for Local Councils – *noted*

8 CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Cruse Bereavement Care acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Mr David Biggs concerning the material state of the surface of Brillwater Road – *noted*

Elizabeth Rose Play Area Safety Inspection certificate – *noted*

Mr Biggs further concerns about the material state of the surface of Brillwater Road – *noted*

The Royal British Legion invitation to lay a wreath at the War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday

Mrs Scott Port Navas Village Hall – *noted*

9 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk presented Councillors with a statement of Constantine Parish Council's financial position as at October 20, 2016. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

Members considered a request from Victim Support for financial help with the work it is doing. Following discussion, Cllr Mrs Dunstan proposed, Cllr Wiseman seconded and it was agreed that, using the General Power of Competence (adopted by Constantine Parish Council on May 16, 2013), Constantine Parish Council should forward the sum of £25 to Victim Support.

Members considered a request from Tanya's Courage Trust for financial help towards the cost of supporting young people suffering from cancer and their families. Following discussion, the Chairman proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded and it was agreed that, using the General Power of Competence (adopted by Constantine Parish Council on May 16, 2013), Constantine Parish Council should forward the sum of £100 to Tanya's Courage Trust.

Members considered a request from the Christmas Lights Committee for financial help towards the celebration of Christmas in the village. Following discussion, Cllr Mrs Thomson proposed, Cllr Wiseman seconded and it was agreed that, using the General Power of Competence (adopted by Constantine Parish Council on May 16, 2013), Constantine Parish Council should forward the sum of £500 to the Christmas Lights Committee.

The following accounts were presented for payment

		GROSS	NET	VAT
Mr G.Jorey		£ 299.80		
Mrs J.Jennings		£ 72.00		
R.Sanders				
	Churchyards	£ 700.00		
	Recreation Ground	£ 370.00		
	Village boundary site	£ 16.00		
	total	£ 1,303.20	£ 1,086.00	£ 217.20
E.On (public lighting)		£ 80.31	£ 76.49	£ 3.82
Viridor Waste Management Ltd		£ 16.02	£ 13.35	£ 2.67
SSE Enterprise Lighting (Valley View)		£ 745.85	£ 621.54	£ 124.31
Colin Chapman				
	Salary (September)	£ 583.73		
	telephone	£ 44.97		
	office expenses	£ 37.82		
	travelling	£ 35.36		
	use of home	£ 25.00		
	total	£ 726.88		

Proposed by Cllr Mrs Dunstan, seconded by Cllr Bolt, all others in favour that the above seven accounts be paid.

The following accounts in relation to expenses for the Recreation Ground were presented for payment

	GROSS	NET	VAT
Elizabeth Rose (Play Area Inspection)	£ 150.00		
EdF Energy	£ 31.48	£ 29.98	£ 1.50

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

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Members noted the following receipts

The Green Funeral Company (Mrs Henning)	£ 550.00
St Germoe PCC (churchyard maintenance)	£ 150.00
Electricity meter (Recreation Ground)	£ 18.00

10 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

There were no reports from Committees or representatives

11 COMMENTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Cllr Miss Evans reported that users of the Church Hall have said how very grateful they are for the motion activated light on the gable end of the public convenience.

12 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday November 17, 2016 at 7:00pm in The Vestry, Constantine

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.22pm.

Signed.....

Dated.....

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