

CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Constantine Parish Council held on Thursday March 15, 2018 at 7.00pm in The Vestry, Constantine.

Present:

Cllr P.Carter	Cllr A.Carter
Cllr J.Andrew	Cllr Mrs S.Dunstan
Cllr H.Bolt	Cllr Mrs T.Thomson
Cllr Mrs P.Bradley-Davis	Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors: There were no visitors.

The Chairman welcomed members to the March meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

1 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Mrs Dunstan (prior engagement) and Cllr Nicholls (family) sent their apologies for absence. Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded and it was agreed to accept their apologies.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

in items on the agenda

There were 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 Wiseman who was absent from the last meeting abstained, all others agreed that the minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday February 15, 2018 should be adopted as a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

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

In reply to a question from Cllr Wiseman concerning the state of the surface of Brillwater Road, the Clerk stated that the road is in fact a bridleway and, as such, is the responsibility of Cornwall Council (and not the Parish Council). He has reported the problems to Cornwall, but the advice is that it is passable for pedestrians and horse riders. It was suggested that residents might like to consider joining together to make any necessary repairs.

5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

In the absence of CCllr Bastin there was no report.

6 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Co-opted members

The Clerk reported that he had received an expression of interest in standing for co-option as a Parish Councillor from Mr Roger Wickins, but that he is unable to attend this meeting. He will be present at the meeting in April.

Public Rights of Way

Members considered an invitation from Cornwall Council to continue with the Local Maintenance Partnership scheme. The grant offered for the year to March 31, 2019 is £3,005.46 (or 100% of eligible costs, whichever is the lower). Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Wiseman seconded all in favour that Constantine Parish Council should accept the terms relating to the Local Maintenance Partnership as offered by Cornwall Council for the year to March 31, 2019.

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Alice Hext Trust: Use of the Recreation Ground

Members considered a request from the Constantine Carnival Committee for permission to use the Recreation Ground on Saturday August 18, 2018. Following discussion, the Council, acting in its role as the Management Trustee of the Alice Hext Recreation Ground, agreed to grant permission to the Constantine Carnival Committee to use the Recreation Ground on Saturday August 18, 2018 with the proviso that any damage to the field is repaired at the expense of the Committee.

Insurance Policy

Members reviewed the terms of Constantine Parish Council's Insurance Policy and considered an invitation from Came and Company to renew insurance cover with Ecclesiastical in the sum of £1,303.92. Following discussion, Cllr Wiseman proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded, all others in favour to renew Constantine Parish Council's insurance with Ecclesiastical through Came and Company in the sum of £1,303.92.

7 PARISH MATTERS

Welcoming Stones

The Chairman reported that, yet again, the weather has been against putting the new Parish Welcoming Stones in position. The ground needs to dry considerably before using heavy machinery on it.

8 PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

PA18/01266 Mr and Mrs D.Jenkin – Provision of a log cabin for an agricultural worker – Little Trevease, Constantine. Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA18/01599 Mr W.B.Bowden – Erection of a general purpose agricultural building for livestock housing and machinery storage (Phase 2) – Boswidjack Farm, Tucoyse Lane, Higher Brill. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Wiseman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council wonders quite what the red line from the outline of the proposed barn to the road, as shown on the location plan, indicates. If, as members suspect, it represents the line of a new access track then, because it runs through an agricultural field, they believe it requires planning permission. The Council supports the erection of the barn, but, as indicated, has reservations about access.*

PA18/01601 Mr W.B.Bowden – Erection of a general purpose agricultural building for livestock housing and machinery storage (Phase 3) – Boswidjack Farm, Tucoyse Lane, Higher Brill. The Chairman proposed, Cllr Wiseman seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council wonders quite what the red line from the outline of the proposed barn to the road, as shown on the location plan, indicates. If, as members suspect, it represents the line of a new access track then, because it runs through an agricultural field, they believe it requires planning permission. The Council supports the erection of the barn, but, as indicated, has reservations about access.*

PA18/01754 Mr J.Agnew – T1 Ash taller than 12m - Fell – Polly's House 2 Clinton Road. Members noted that this application will be decided using delegated powers.

PA18/01041 Mr J.Morrison – Continued use of agricultural land for car parking area, including removal of soil and addition of hard core – High Cross Garage. Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

Decisions

PA17/06460 APPROVED – Proposed interior remodelling of converted barn, addition of rear extension & window to front elevation – Ponjeravah House, Constantine – *noted*

PA17/06609 APPROVED – Listed building consent application for proposed interior remodelling of converted barn, addition of rear extension & window to front elevation – Ponjeravah House – *noted*

PA17/12139 WITHDRAWN – Demolition of 20th century stone porch and replacement with lantern-roofed timber conservatory. – Bonallack Farmhouse, Bonallack Lane – *noted*

PA18/00314 APPROVED – Proposed alteration to existing outbuilding to create home office | 'Spingo's Barn', Merthen Manor – *noted*

9 CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported that the mains supply to the public conveniences, which was broken in the recent severe weather has been repaired by South West Water and that Mr Day has dealt with the broken pipes in the loos themselves. The cistern timing mechanism for flushing the urinal still needs attention.

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He has received an estimate for the refurbishment of Constantine's conveniences from APS and will now look into the possibility of grant funding.

Correspondence

Cornwall Rural Housing Association advertisement for the Association's services – *noted*

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

Constantine WI acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Constantine Cottage Garden Society acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter – *noted*

Mr J.Hawes suggestion that the Parish Plan might be revised – *members noted the suggestion and the fact that they have considered and, for the time being, believing that the Parish as a whole already enjoys considerable protection from development, rejected the idea of creating a Neighbourhood Development Plan (which is just one of the documents used by the Planning Authority when determining planning application)*

Mr Steve Moore seeking suggestions for a lasting memorial to Liz – *the Clerk was asked to contact Mr Moore to seek further details*

10 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk presented Councillors with a statement of Constantine Parish Council's financial position as at March 15, 2018. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

The following accounts were tendered for payment

	GROSS	NET	VAT
HM Revenue and Customs	£ 499.00		
Mr G.Jorey	£ 305.00		
Mrs J.Jennings	£ 60.00		
Mrs A.Lucas	£ 50.00		
R.Sanders (Cemetery and Recreation Ground)	£ 1,429.69	£ 1,191.41	£ 238.28
SSE (lighting in The Square)	£ 24.32	£ 23.17	£ 1.15
Viridor	£ 54.36	£ 45.30	£ 9.06
Cornwall Council (Car Park rates)	£ 388.80		
Cornwall Council (Cemetery rates)	£ 189.41		
Colin Chapman			
salary (February)	£ 585.46		
telephone	£ 31.80		
office expenses	£ 30.06		
travelling	£ 28.29		
use of home	£ 25.00		
	total	£ 700.61	

Proposed by Cllr A.Carter, seconded by Cllr Mrs Bradley-Davis, all others in favour that the above ten accounts be paid.

11 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

There were no reports either from committees or from representatives.

12 COMMENTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Cllr Andrew stated that long-term use of the Parish Council's car-parks by individual vehicle owners is growing. It was agreed to purchase a sign stating clearly that the car-parks are for short-term use only

13 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday April 19, 2018 at 7:00pm in The Vestry, Constantine

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.52pm.

Signed.....

Dated.....

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