

CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL

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

Present:

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

Visitors: CCllr J.Bastin, Mr Papastavros and Mrs Rowe-Papastavrou.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

With reference to planning application PA18/10133 for the construction of an access lane on land south-east of Panoramic View, members noted that

- the proposed access will be considerably safer than the existing
- the lane hosting the existing access is becoming increasingly well-used by vehicular traffic
- following refusal of an earlier application for a similar access, the Planning Officer concerned had recommended that the applicants attempted to make the proposed entrance off the road more agricultural in appearance. This they had tried to do.

1 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Nicholls (business) and Cllr Wickins (prior appointment) sent their apologies for absence. Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded and it was agreed 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 Mrs Dunstan proposed, Cllr Painter seconded, and it was agreed that the minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday October 18, 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

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

5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

CCllr Bastin reported that

- Cornwall's budget for the coming financial year is based on a proposed increase of 3.99%
- Central Government has given the Unitary Authority some £30 million to spend on repairing potholes
- the necessary cash for a lay-by outside the school has been allocated, although plans have yet to be drawn up.

6 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Parish Councillors

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

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7 PARISH MATTERS

The Alice Hext Trust - Pavilion

Members noted that the electrics have now all been checked and that the Pavilion can again be used by the community.

An informal meeting with John Bryant of Eco Architectural in Falmouth had proved useful and had raised hopes that the Trust can improve pavilion facilities in the Recreation Ground, making it fit for use on both sporting and community occasions.

The Lawn Cemetery

Members considered the scale of charges for the Lawn Cemetery, which were last altered in December 2014. Cllr Bolt proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded and it was agreed to raise the fee for a burial plot to £300 and to raise all other fees proportionately. A copy of the revised fees is attached to these minutes.

8 PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

PA18/10276 Mr J.Meadows – Various works to trees – Poltoge, Port Navas. Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA18/10133 Mr Papastavros and Mrs Rowe-Papastavrou – Construction of access lane – land South East of Panoramic View. Cllr Mrs Thomson proposed, Cllr Bolt seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council has not altered its opinion of the impact this application will have on the character of the countryside in the area. The necessity for visual splays either side of the proposed entrance off the road will result in the loss of a considerable length of Cornish hedging. It is the Council's opinion that the harm the proposed access will do to the rural nature and appearance of the Area of Great Landscape Value outweighs the benefits of development, Constantine Parish Council therefore requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.*

On a technical note, the Certificate of Ownership - Certificate B for the field south of the proposed track appears to be missing from the application.

PA18/10389 and PA18/10390 Mr and Mrs J.Hawken – Proposed ground floor garden room extension together with the reopening of a door and window opening in the rear elevation of the farmhouse – Treworval Farmhouse, Mawnan Smith. Cllr Mrs Thomson proposed, Cllr Mrs Dunstan seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

Decisions

PA18/07036 APPROVED – Proposed conversion and extension of existing barn to form offices – Barn East of Bosahan Farm, Trewardreva – *noted*

PA18/07229 APPROVED – Demolition of garage and the construction of a self contained annex – Thatch Cottage, Higher Tregidgwith – *noted*

PA18/07877 APPROVED – Proposed extensions and alterations, internal alterations and single storey extension to rear – 1 Valley View, Bowling Green – *noted*

PA18/08268 APPROVED – Extension of a farmhouse with an improved entrance elevation; a two story side extension to the west and a garage at the rear, north of the house – Seworgan Farmhouse, Seworgan – *noted*

PA18/08525 APPROVED – Various tree works – Inow House, Port Navas – *noted*

PA18/09124 APPROVED – Construction of new rear balcony and porch along with internal alterations – Linden Lea, Trewince Lane, Port Navas – *noted*

PA18/09500 Decided not to make a TPO – Fell Group of 4no Cypress and ornamental Cherry. Crown lift mature Ash – Brook Cottage, Bridge – *noted*

9 CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

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

Cornwall Hospice Care acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

Mrs Scott (Chairman Port Navas Village Hall) acknowledgment of and thanks for donation towards the new notice-board – *noted*

Constantine Christmas Lights Committee acknowledgment of and thanks for donation – *noted*

War Memorials Trust bulletin – *noted*

Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter – *noted*

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10 FINANCIAL MATTERS

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

The following accounts were tendered for payment

| | | GROSS | NET | VAT |
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| Mr G.Jorey | | £ 306.20 | | |
| Mrs J.Jennings | | £ 62.64 | | |
| Mrs Pleasance | | £ 243.37 | | |
| SSE (public lighting) | | £ 79.22 | £ 75.45 | £ 3.77 |
| Viridor Waste Management | | £ 48.90 | £ 40.75 | £ 8.15 |
| Travis Perkins | | £ 45.77 | £ 38.14 | £ 7.63 |
| South West Water (public convenience) | | £ 130.40 | | |
| South West Water (Cemetery) | | £ 16.62 | | |
| Mrs Pleasance (public convenience sundries) | | £ 13.34 | £ 12.13 | £ 1.21 |
| EPS Plumbing (public convenience) | | £ 30.00 | £ 25.00 | £ 5.00 |
| R.Sanders | | | | |
| Recreation Ground | £ 230.00 | | | |
| Cemeteries | £ 560.00 | | | |
| | total | £ 948.00 | £ 790.00 | £ 158.00 |
| Colin Chapman | | | | |
| Salary (October) | £ 595.47 | | | |
| telephone | £ 38.93 | | | |
| office expenses | £ 28.01 | | | |
| travelling | £ 28.29 | | | |
| use of home | £ 25.00 | | | |
| | | total | £ 715.70 | |

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Dunstan, seconded by Cllr Bolt, all others in favour that the above twelve accounts be paid.

Member noted the following receipts

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| Port Navas Village Hall (donation) | £ 1,127.47 |
| CC (Closed Churchyard payment) | £ 433.01 |
| CC LMP payment | £ 3,005.46 |

11 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr Andrew reported that he and Cllr Mrs Thomson had attended the recent Community Network meeting at which there had been two presentations. The first had concerned the Unitary Authority's budget for the coming year and the precept that it will set. It is already apparent both that Central Government's contribution will be cut by £70 million (and that somehow that sum needs to be shaved from the budget) and that the Health and Social Welfare and the Children's Services departments will be given extra funding. Clearly, services in other areas will have to be cut. Stating that it was sensitive information, Cornwall would not answer questions concerning the cost to rate-payers of wages and pensions. It is envisaged that by 2022 all the Authority's revenue will come from within the county.

The second presentation was given by Devon and Cornwall Police Force at which it was noted that the plan to merge the Devon and Cornwall Force with that of Dorset had been dropped.

Questions were asked and concern expressed about Corserv and its dominance in the provision of services throughout Cornwall. No answers were forthcoming.

The Group that is creating Mawnan Smith's Neighbourhood Development Plan has invited those interested to attend a presentation from a representative of the Cornwall Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty at Mawnan Bowling Club.

12 COMMENTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Members reported that

- the War Memorial needs cleaning before next year's Remembrance Sunday Service
- the road-side salt bins need to be cleared of rubbish, the salt broken up and, where necessary, replenished
- a dehumidifier for use in the Vestry should be purchased
- concerns have been expressed about the length of time the repair to the Cornish hedge in the Recreation Ground is taking.

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13 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

Thursday December 13, 2018 at 7:00pm in The Vestry, Constantine

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.13pm.

Signed.....

Dated.....

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