

Zennor Parish Council

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Clerk: Mickey Downing, 9 Lower Gurnick Road, Newlyn, Penzance, TR18 5QN. 01736 366556

Minutes of Meeting Tuesday 12th January 2016

Present: Cllrs Jon Brookes (Chair), Sam Nankervis (Vice Chair), Lottie Millard, Roy Mann (Cornwall Council)

Also Attending: Mickey Downing (Clerk)

Members of the public: Cllr Kevin Hughes (TPC Chair); Charles Downing; Milly Ainley

Apologies: Cllr N Lambert

Not Present: Cllrs Sandy Martin; Nicky Monies

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair wished all present a Happy 2016

As above.

2. Minutes 12th December 2015

Minutes signed as read, correct and agreed

3. Matters Arising

Cllr Hughes stated that concerns of flooding remained high on the Towednack agenda and that trustees would be meeting next week. He agreed to inform ZPC when appropriate training became available. He went on to say that the 'Dark Skies' policies continues to progress, that a group had been formed along with MP backing, it was hoped that the Dutchy would also become involved and that Enya would become the patron. Cllr Hughes reminded the council that there remained a TPC councillor vacancy.

4. Declaration of Interest

Cllr J Brookes regarding parish paths cutting.

5. Public Participation

Cllr R Mann; Cllr K Hughes; Milly Ainley

6. Parish Council regulations & procedures

None

7. Planning

- a) Planning application PA15/12096 Bos-Hen Cottage, Zennor ~ deadline to be checked and contact made with Peggy Rickaby (**clerk**) {deadline 25th February 2016}.
- b) Planning application PA15/10527 Ladydown Farm, Newmill has now been approved with conditions.
- c) Planning application PA15/10829 Bridge House, Zennor has now been approved with conditions.

8. Parish Plan (standing item)

- a) Parish environmental plan ~ Cllr Brookes continues to endeavour to arrange a date with respective parties. **Action:** co-ordinate/arrange meeting, create posters and flyers (**Chair & Cllr Martin**).
- b) Cllr Millard made enquiries regarding underground power lines (a long standing item) being informed by the Chair that the application remained ongoing.

9. Finance (standing item)

- a) A review of last months' discussions took place regarding the £2,000 increase precept request for those unable to attend. We are informed that Cornwall Council expect ZPC to hold £1,000 reserve in view of possible election, plus 3 month operating reserve. The council felt it was important to maintain the local footpath network whilst retaining funding for parish path cutting in view of possible withdrawal by Cornwall Council (Cllr Hughes informed the council there were no plans for cuts in 2016 though there would be in 2017); Footpath grants have remained the same for many years and is presently underfunded. Extra revenue is also required in view of possible raise in clerk salary.
- b) Cheques were signed by Cllr Millard and the Chair regarding the purchase of the Pentreath painting and framing. Discussions took place regarding the remainder of the donations resulting in agreement that this should remain banked until the presentation of the painting when discussions would take place with Cllr Bert Biscoe (**unanimous**)
- c) A donation of £75 was agreed to be paid to Jenny Gourley for transporting the ZPC Christmas tree from Liskeard (**unanimous**). **Action:** The cheque to be delivered along with personal thanks (**Chair**).

10. Parish Paths (standing item)

Discussions took place regarding costing for 2016 path cuttings. In view of Cllr Brookes (Chair) 'declaration of interest' it was agreed Cllr Nankervis (Vice Chair) would take the lead on this matter. It was agreed (**unanimously**) that in view of tenders having been sought in 2015 it would be prudent to request costings from contractor Sam Brookes who undertook the work in 2015 (**clerk**)

11. Transport (standing item)

None.

12. Correspondence

None

13. Forthcoming Meeting

- a) ZPC 7.30pm Tuesday 9th February 2016
- b) TPC 7pm Friday 26th February 2016

14. Other Business

- a) Website update ~ No information available from Cllr Lambert who was unable to attend this evenings meeting. **Action:** contact to be made with Cllr Lambert regarding an update and clerks' training dates **(clerk)**
News of the closure of the Zennor Museum was announced Cllr Lambert having been asked to remove the respective information from the web-site.
 - i) Discussions continued (December 2015) regarding the decision to purchase a projector and screen jointly with the WI. The Chair stated he had liaised with Jillie Stillwell (WI Chair) regarding the purchase of these items **Action:** matter to be pursued **(Chair)**
 - ii) Also regarding the purchase of a ZPC printer, able to print A3, and laptop **Action:** research to be undertaken regarding suitable equipment **(Cllr Millard)**
- b) Councillor vacancy ~ Milly Ainley and James Allen have expressed a wish to be co-opted onto the ZPC. The Chair suggested to have 2 councillors (i.e. 1 more than previously) would be an asset to the parish seeking further guidance regarding the possibility of such. **Action:** Respective research/contact to be undertaken and a brief resume to be request from both Milly Ainley and James Allen expressing the reasons for their interest, etc. **(clerk)**.
- c) Pentreath painting ~ arrangements to be made to display the painting in the village hall January 2016 have not been possible due to other commitments (mainly the village pantomime). **Action:** liaisons to take place with Cllr Biscoe regarding a future date towards the end of February/beginning of March 2016 **(Chair)**
- d) Dark Skies ~ discussions continued regarding taking forward the protest against unnecessary lighting within the village (neon lights, spot lights etc.,) which detract from the beauty of the dark skies and general evening landscape. **Action:** liaisons with TPC and other local parishes with a view to submitting a joint policy **(Chair)** Contact to be established with local 'sky watchers', Cllr Millard and Milly Ainley with a view to establishing a local committee **(Chair)**

- e) Parish newsletter ~ an article regarding 'Dark Skies' to be included, also regarding the Pentreath painting exhibition **(Chair)**

15. Future Agenda Items

- a. Decision regarding acceptance of CC Local Maintenance Partnership Grant ~ agreed **(unanimous)**
- b. Tenders for footpath cutting ~ quote from S Brookes to be sought **(clerk)**
- c. Police Department (Terry Webb) to become a future default agenda items.
- d. Towednack Parish Council & Flood reports to become agenda items.

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Minutes signed as correct by Chairperson

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Date.....