

# ST KEW PARISH COUNCIL



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## **Minutes of St Kew Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 pm in St Kew Parish Hall**

**Present:** Chairman: Cllr J Parnell, R Godden, E Hambly, J Lethbridge, J Rowe, R Hawken A Godden J Rickard

**Apologies:** Cllr T Mott

Cllr S Knightley and 10 members of the public

### **721. Chairmans Announcements**

The Vice Chairman opened the meeting and sent good wishes to Cllr Mott who is having an operation today. The meeting was adjourned to allow comments from members of the public.

### **722. Adjournment**

County Councillor Knightley said that the Wadebridge Neighbourhood plan exhibition held in the Town Hall was well attended, although the plan to use Wadebridge Football Club land for housing had not been well received, and other ideas could possibly be in place. The free bus service should be in service at St Kew Highway from 24<sup>th</sup> April and may run three times daily. Mr J Godden asked that in view of the Lanow turbine appeal PA13/08848 would the Parish Council make representations as they had previously opposed the application. The Chairman said that this could be discussed under Item 5 for Planning Applications. Cllr Rickard said that he would declare an interest in Item 5 - PA14/01864.

### **723. Council Meeting Minutes – To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2013**

Cllr Hambly indicated that Minute 720 inferred that prior notice was given to the closed part of the meeting. She proposed that the Minutes be amended to read “despite being asked to stay” This was seconded by Cllr Rowe.

Cllr R Godden proposed that the existing Minutes were correct. This was seconded by Cllr Parnell.

The second proposal by Cllr R Godden was voted for with 5 in favour and Cllr Rickard abstaining as he was not at the meeting.

The first proposal by Cllr Hambly was voted for with 2 in favour and Cllr Rickard abstaining as he was not at the meeting.

The second proposal by Cllr R Godden was carried.

Cllr Hambly said that Minute 720 (3) stated that she was “offered a chance to address her fellow Councillors” but as she was not at the meeting she was not given the opportunity. This was incorrect as it was one of the three objectives and the purpose of the meeting.

Cllr R Godden said that if she had attended the meeting with all other Councillors, she would have had that opportunity.

Cllr Hambly proposed that objective 3 be struck from the Minutes. There being no seconder it was proposed by Cllr A Godden, seconded by Cllr Hawken it was AGREED that the Minutes of this meeting be a true and accurate record. Cllr Hambly and Cllr Rickard abstained. All others in favour.

### **724. Matters Arising**

Cllr R Godden said that the wooden sign post at Tregellist (704) had been removed by Highways and replaced with a metal one. There was therefore no need for the repair quote

Cllr Rowe asked if the Clerk had received any information re bonfires (717). The Clerk advised that there was no legal redress, only if they were frequent and a nuisance, this had been put in the Parish

Magazine. Cllr Rowe said that there were bonfires on the allotments and Cllr R Godden said that he would look into the matter as it was not in the allotments constitution.

#### **725. Correspondence**

Cornwall Council - Local Plan – Strategic Policies Document had been circulated to all Councillors by email.

#### **726. Planning Notices**

**PA14/01864** – Mr & Mrs Rickard – Chyryn, Chapel Amble – Construction of a pair of two bedroom semi detached houses in the back garden of Chyryn.

Cllr Rickard declared an interest and left the room. This was viewed by Cllrs R Godden and Hawken. It was proposed by Cllr Hawken and seconded by Cllr R Godden that the application be **APPROVED**. Cllr Hambly abstained. All others in favour.

**PA14/00915**- Ms Sara Miles –The Old Forge, Chapel Amble - Listed Building consent to replace roof windows and doors. Repair and strengthen walls, new gutters and soil connection drain to install a w.c.

This was viewed by Cllrs Parnell and Hambly. It was proposed by Cllr Hambly and seconded by Cllr Parnell that this application be **APPROVED**. All in favour

**PA14/02657** - Mr and Mrs D Pullen – Lower Tregellist – Renovate the stone barn to become a one bedroomed holiday let.

This was viewed by Cllrs Lethbridge and Rickard. It was proposed by Cllr Lethbridge and seconded by Cllr Rickard that this application be **APPROVED**. All in favour

#### **PA13/08848 – Lanow Farm Turbine appeal**

Cllr Hambly and Cllr Hawken declared an interest and left the room. It was proposed by Cllr R Godden and seconded by Cllr Rowe that the Clerk send a letter reiterating the original refusal decision with a copy to County Councillors Knightley and Penny. Carried unanimously.

#### **Planning Decisions**

None this month

#### **727. Vote of Confidence in the Responsible Finance Officer (707)(720)**

It was proposed by Cllr Rowe and seconded by Councillor Parnell that a vote of thanks be given to Cllr R Godden for his excellent work as Responsible Finance Officer. Cllr Hambly abstained and all others were in favour.

#### **728. Schedule of monthly accounts for March 2014**

It was proposed by Cllr Rowe and seconded by Cllr A Godden that the monthly accounts be approved en bloc. Cllr Hambly abstained. All others in favour.

#### **729. Acceptance of Annual Accounts**

It was proposed by Cllr Rickard and seconded by Cllr A Godden that the Annual Accounts be approved. Cllr Hambly abstained. All in favour

Cllr Lethbridge asked Cllr Hambly why she was again abstaining and she replied that there was no reflection on the ability of the RFO but she had not had a chance to go through the accounts. Cllr Lethbridge requested via the Chair that the Clerk put this item on the Agenda for the next meeting to allow Cllr Hambly time to read the accounts.

#### **730. Signing of Audit Form**

It was proposed by Cllr Rowe and seconded by Cllr Hambly that the Annual Audit form be duly signed and returned. All in favour.

#### **731. Grass Cutting Tenders**

##### **St Kew Grass Cutting**

Tenders were received from

John Collier £1050

Mark Beare £1440

Graham Tiplady £1080

After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Lethbridge and seconded by Cllr Rickard that the tender from Graham Tiplady be accepted. All in favour.

**Chapel Amble Grass Cutting**

A Tender was received from Graham Tiplady in the sum of £360.

It was proposed by Cllr R Godden and seconded by Cllr Rickard that this be accepted. All in favour.

**732. Report on AONB Forum**

Cllr Rickard attended the forum and said that it had been an interesting meeting, particularly with the speaker on the subject of the Neighbourhood Plan which will replace the District Plan. He proposed approaching other Parishes, possibly St Mabyn, St Tudy and St Teath to investigate the possibility of a joint venture. Seconded by Cllr Rowe. All in favour.

**733. Facilitated mediation session**

Cllr Rickard said that he felt that there was tension within the Council and proposed that an independent person could attend a meeting to have discussions on a non-confrontational basis possibly in about 2 months' time on the Chairmans' return. Seconded by Cllr Hambly. All in favour. The Clerk was instructed to find who could be available.

**734. Parish Councillors Reports and any other matters**

Cllr R Godden reported that he had been speaking with Cormac regarding the poor state of the roads. He was told that by the end of the year it was possible that there would be no funding for minor roads and there was a possibility that the Parishes would be asked to fund repairs. It is hoped that County Councillor Biscoe will attend the Annual Parish Meeting to speak on this matter.

Cllr Hambly asked should the Parish Council knowingly sign illegal Minutes. She had asked the question elsewhere and was advised to question the Clerk. The Clerk replied that she did not understand the question as any Minutes was put to a vote of the whole Council and the question of "correctness" was subjective. Cllr Hambly then asked for a copy of the Clerks handbook.

**735. Items for Pieces of Eight**

Bus Service, and Annual Parish Meeting

**736. Register of gifts and hospitality for Councillors and Staff**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.35