

ST KEW PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of St Kew Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8 January 2013 at 7.30 pm in St Kew Parish Hall

Present: Chairman: Cllr R Godden, Councillors R Davey, J Parnell, E Hambly, T Mott, J Lethbridge, B Gabriel,

Apologies for absence : Councillors A Godden, T Wellington, J Rowe and R Hawken,

2 members of the public were present.

514 Chairmans Announcements

The Chairman opened the meeting and gave a report on how the Clerk, Cindy Powell, was progressing following her operation. Flowers have been sent on behalf of the Parish Council. Sandra Woods was thanked for helping out in taking the minutes today.

515 Adjournment

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow public discussion. As there were no matters raised the meeting was then reconvened.

516 Council Meeting Minutes – To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 11 December 2012

Cllr Hambly apologised for the incomplete sentence in item 511 as she should have furnished the Clerk with further information. It was agreed that this was of no real significance.

On a proposal by Cllr Parnell, seconded by Cllr Gabriel, it was AGREED that the Minutes of this meeting be a true and accurate record. All in favour

517 Matters Arising

Item 507 PA12/10791 Cllr Parnell reported that the finish on the control panel box would have a finish on it that would look like wood so it would not be obtrusive.

Item 511 Since the Clerk was ill, it had not been established if the vandalism on the box at Tregellist had been followed up with Royal Mail or the further attempt to have a flashing speed sign in St Kew.

518 Correspondence

- a) Notice of Road closure between Trequite and St Kew Highway. Now in effect. Cllr Mott was concerned about the safety of the signing at St Kew Highway end as the sign was in the middle of the road on a sharp bend with no lighting. Cllr Godden agreed to phone Highways.

519 Planning Notices

Planning Applications.

PA12/11252 W T Shute & Son Retrospective planning on feed houses and silo on land east of Treburgett Piggery, Trelill.

This was viewed by Cllrs Hambly and Mott. Concern was expressed that there are a number of alternative plans pending for the same site to house an increase from 400 to 750 pigs. The slurry pit,

for which permission has already been granted, has not been started and there have been reports of dumped slurry. This is a concern for local residents who are all reliant on private water supplies.

It was proposed by Cllr Hambly and seconded by Cllr Mott that the parish council recommend REFUSAL on the grounds that there is insufficient information and a follow up letter will be sent to the planners from the Parish Council to urge them to look at all the plans for this site en bloc when considering this application, with particular regard to the lack of a larger slurry pit to deal with the number of pigs now housed there. All in favour.

PA12/11007 Mr P Webber Alteration and extension of existing single-story part of cottage including replacing small pitched roof with flat roof, insertion of new window in rear wall of cottage and replacement entrance porch Myrtle Cottage Chapel Amble This was viewed by Cllrs Parnell and Godden. It was felt that the proposed alterations represented a visual improvement to the property.

It was proposed by Cllr Parnell and seconded by Cllr Godden that the parish council recommend APPROVAL. All in favour.

PA12/11101 Mr J Brown, erection of timber chalet at Benbole Farm St Kew Highway Mr Brown refused permission for councillors to visit the site. In accordance with policy, it was therefore proposed by Cllr Parnell and seconded by Cllr Gabriel that the parish council recommend REFUSAL on the grounds that the applicant had refused permission to assess the application. All in favour.

520 Schedule of monthly accounts for December 2012

Cllrs Gabriel and Davey declared an interest. It was proposed by Cllrs Parnell, seconded by Cllr Hambly that the monthly accounts be approved en bloc. Remaining Cllrs in favour.

521 Grass cutting tenders for Chapel Amble, churchyard and other areas 2013-01-07

It was proposed that the grass cutting tenders be split into two – one tender to cover the grass cutting at Chapel Amble and the second for grass cutting of the churchyard in St Kew and other small areas in the parish. Invitation to tender is to be placed in the February edition of 'Pieces of Eight' to say that tenders to be in by March 31st and further details from Cllr Godden. Proposer Cllr Parnell, seconded by Cllr Davey. All in favour.

522 Parish Awards

Cllr Godden proposed that the notice of parish awards to go in February's 'Pieces of Eight' with similar wording to last year and closing date of March 31st. Seconded Cllr Gabriel. All in favour.

523 Floodlight in churchyard

Cllr Parnell reported that the 500w halogen floodlight on the church kept tripping the electrics over the Christmas season and had to be reset on several occasions. He proposed that the lighting was replaced by a 50w LED light in warm white at a cost of £45. This would represent much cheaper running costs and enable the church to be floodlit throughout the year. Seconded by Cllr Davey. All in favour.

524 Flooding in St Kew Highway

Steve and Wendy of the Red Lion sent apologies for being unable to attend this meeting. Several Cllrs had spoken to them about the two recent floods that affected the Red Lion and Cllr Godden had been in touch with South West Water, Environmental Agency and Highways. It was reported that SWW had visited the site and explained why the flooding occurred but, as yet, had not come up with any proposals for rectifying the problem. The flood water was fouled by sewerage and it was felt that the council must keep chasing this matter as there were two food outlets involved. Cllr Godden will continue to liaise with the proprietors of the Red Lion on this.

Concern was also expressed on the drainage under the old railway bridge and that this must also be raised with SWW.

525 Parish Councillors Reports and any other matters

The potholes on Trelill Road had been reported by Cllr Parnell and Cllr Godden had reported the potholes at Peppermint Cottage and Rose-in-Vale. They had been told that the Neighbourhood Steward had been informed. Cllr Godden felt that the pothole at Peppermint Cottage was so bad that he would place a traffic cones there.

Cllr Godden said that he was concerned about the lack of interest on the Parish Council account. In the past year, interest of £1.26 had been earned on a balance of £3386. He felt that the bulk of the money might be better in premium bonds but wanted the opinion of the other councillors. It was felt that this might well be better option. Cllr Godden agreed to find out if it was possible for premium bonds to be purchased by an organisation.

526 Items for Pieces of Eight

Cllr Mott suggested that the bus shelter had been repaired following vandalism to the roof.

527 Register of gifts and hospitality for Councillors and Staff

None to report

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.20.