

# ST KEW PARISH COUNCIL



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## **Minutes of St Kew Parish Council Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 14 May 2013 at 7.30 pm in St Kew Parish Hall**

**Present:** Councillors R Godden, T Mott, J Lethbridge, E Hambly, R Hawken, A Godden, J Parnell, J Rowe, J Rickard

County A Penny and 52 members of the public were present.

The Clerk opened the meeting and asked for nominations for Chairman. Proposed by Cllr R Godden seconded by Cllr Rowe, that Cllr Mott should be nominated Chairman. There were no other nominations. Carried unanimously.

### **567.**

The Chairman then asked for nominations for the following Officers:

#### **Vice Chairman**

It was proposed by Cllr Rowe and seconded by Cllr Lethbridge that Cllr Parnell be nominated as Vice Chairman. All in favour

#### **Responsible Finance Officer**

It was proposed by Cllr Mott and seconded by Cllr Parnell that Cllr Godden continues in this position. All in favour.

#### **Churchyard Liaison Officer –**

It was proposed by Cllr Godden and seconded by Cllr Hambly that Cllr Lethbridge be nominated in this position. All in favour

#### **Tree Officer – Currently Mrs J McGann**

It was proposed by Cllr Godden and seconded by Cllr Rowe that Mrs McGann continues in this position. All in favour

#### **Madam Nation Trust**

It was proposed by Cllr Parnell and seconded by Cllr Rowe that Cllr Davey and Mr Godden continue in this position. All in favour

The Chairman then asked for nominations for the following Committee members:

### **COMMITTEES**

#### **Footpath Co-ordinator (Committee)**

It was proposed by Cllr Parnell and seconded by Cllr A Godden that Cllr Hawken be the Footpath Co-ordinator. All in favour.

#### **Parish Hall Committee**

It was proposed by Cllr Parnell and seconded by Cllr Godden that Cllr Rowe be nominated for this position. All in favour

#### **Community Hall Committee-**

It was proposed by Cllr Godden and seconded by Cllr Hambly that Cllr Lethbridge continues in this position. All in favour

### **Parish Newsletter Committee – currently Cllr J Rowe**

To be decided

### **Playing Field Committee .**

It was proposed by Cllr Rowe and seconded by Cllr R Godden that Cllr Parnell continues in this position. All in favour

### **Planning Co-ordinator**

It was proposed by Cllr R Godden that a new committee member be elected to co-ordinate all Planning applications and site visits. He nominated Cllr Parnell and this was seconded by Cllr Lethbridge. All in favour

### **Community Network Co-ordinator**

It was proposed by Cllr R Godden that a new committee member be elected to advise on the Network and Parish Plan. He nominated Cllr Hambly and this was seconded by Cllr Parnell. All in favour.

### **568. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned to allow for members of the public to speak and the Chairman announced that there would be a further adjournment during the Planning Applications PCSO Claire Drennan gave the police report for the past month and said that the crime figures were pleasingly low. However there are rising thefts from building sites and advised all to be vigilant.

Mr Finnemore said that there was a problem with the drivers of Western Greyhound buses approaching from Camelford refusing to turn into the bus shelter area, and residents were having to cross the A39 to board. Cllr Lethbridge suggested that the Clerk write to the bus company and to Cornwall Council to advise of the dangers of this practice.

### **569 Council Meeting Minutes – To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 9 April 2013**

Proposed by Cllr R Godden and seconded by Cllr Hawken it was AGREED that the Minutes of this meeting be a true and accurate record. All in favour.

### **570 Matters Arising**

(563) After inspection it was agreed that the “hedge” in Pendoggett had been put in situ to prevent tractors parking and turning.

Cllr Hambly had information for the Council and it was agreed that this be put on the Agenda for the next meeting.

### **571 Correspondence**

The following correspondence has been distributed and read:

- a) Letter from the Auditor regarding the approval of the Audit. Thanks were given to Cllr R Godden for his excellent work.
- b) St Kew School – proposed federation between St Kew School and Upton Cross School
- c) S Fraser letter – Case against the federation

After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk complete the questionnaire and state that the Parish Council was against the Federation as the schools were geographically too far apart.

d) CPD – Local Character Assessment workshop. Details were given and Cllr Hambly said that she had attended in the past and it was of use

### **572 Planning Notices**

**PA13/02548** – Mr G Williams, Lanow Farm – Installation and operation of 500KW wind turbine on agricultural land on Lanow Farm

Cllrs R and A Godden, Hawken and Hambly declared an interest and left the room. The meeting was adjourned to allow comments from the large number of members of the public. The applicant said that his windmill would be preferable to the pylons that are already there. Other points raised were:

The proposed site stands at the watershed of one of the highest points in this area, on a rise parallel to this stretch of the North Cornwall coastline, with a full 360 degree panoramic view. It follows that this point, without the additional height of a wind turbine, is in turn already visible from all directions, east to the moors, Roughtor and St Breward, from St Austell Clays in the south, Wadebridge, St Columb Downs to St Merryn in the west. St Endellion Church also sits on this contour height and is visible not only from inland but along the National Trust coastline and all our coastal waters.

It sits within an area of great landscape value (AGLV) and skirts an area of outstanding natural beauty (AONB) and will be visible from many kilometres away from a number of public vantage points in all directions.

The proposed turbine would be a massive structure, dwarfing the surrounding countryside and would pose a danger to birds and bats as well as other wildlife including an historic badger sett close by.

Not for direct benefit of Lanow Farm, as the applicant does not reside there. The farmland itself, being predominantly used for sheep production, has minimal if any, electricity requirements.

A recent neighbouring proposal was subsequently refused planning permission for a much smaller wind turbine just a few hundred meters from this proposal, despite providing significant economical savings to the electrical consumption of the resident farmer and his dairy farm.

The proposed site is within some 400 metres of the two dwellings at Lane Park and would create multiple health impacts for the local residents.

The visual and aural impact will be detrimental to Tourism, a major employer in the area.

Cornwall has exceeded its renewable energy targets

A show of hands from the public was requested with 7 for the proposal and 45 against.

It was proposed by Cll Lethbridge and seconded by Cllr Rowe that the application be **REFUSED**. All in favour

**PA13/02689** – Mr S Hawkey, The Olde Mill House, Chapel Amble, - Proposed garage to existing dwelling.

This was viewed by Cllrs R Godden and Hambly. It was proposed by Cllr Hambly and seconded by Cllr Godden that the Parish Council recommend **APPROVAL**. All in favour.

**PA13/03421** – Mr & Mrs Blackiston, Treamble, Chapel Amble – Detached boathouse and store

This was viewed by Cllrs Lethbridge and A Godden. It was proposed by Lethbridge and seconded by Cllr Godden that the Parish Council recommend **APPROVAL**. All in favour.

**PA13/12044 – 12045** – Mr & Mrs Harkness, Trewane Manor – Listed building consent for alterations to existing building (amended plans). It was proposed by Cllr Godden and seconded by Cllr Rowe that the Parish Council recommend **APPROVAL**. All in favour.

**PA13/03326** – Mr A Jorgensen – Land south of Mallards Reach – Proposed new dwelling  
Cllr Rickard declared an interest. (See Minute 560) Proposed by R Godden seconded by Cllr Hawken that the Parish Council recommend approval. Cllr Hambly and Rowe abstained. All others in favour

### **Planning Decisions**

**PA13/02203** – Mr & Mrs Derbyshire, Maidenland Cricks, St Kew – Demolition of existing rear and side extensions and construction of new single storey rear extension and 2 storey side extension. **REFUSED**

**PA13/01948** – Mr A Moore, Bryally Barn, Chapel Amble – Construction of storage shed – **APPROVED**

**PA/01455/6** – Mr & Mrs Harkness, Trewane Manor – Listed building consent for conversion of existing barn into 2 bed holiday let - **APPROVED**

**PA/01004** – Mr Jorgensen, Mallards Reach – Alterations for Car Parking - **APPROVED**

### **573 Schedule of monthly accounts for April 2013**

It was proposed by Cllr Parnell seconded by Cllr A Godden that the monthly accounts be approved en bloc. All in favour.

### **574 Tenders for Footpath Cutting**

Cllr Rowe declared an interest and left the room

Tenders were received from:

Mark Wellington	£900
John Collier	£895
Adrian Sleep	£975
Mark Beare	£1296
Chris Kenyon	1500

It was proposed by Cllr Parnell and seconded by Cllr Lethbridge that the tender from Mark Wellington be accepted. Cllrs Hambly and Rickard abstained. All other were in favour

### **575 Parish Councillor Reports and any other matters**

Cllr A Godden said that he had received a quote in the sum of £180 for the repair of the post at Trewethern (563 ) from Andrew Hartley. It was proposed by Cllr Parnell and seconded by Cllr A Godden that this be accepted. All in favour

Cllr Rowe said that the ford was in a poor state of repair and the Clerk was instructed to contact Highways

Cllr R Godden remarked that potholes were not being repaired when reported

### **576 Items for Pieces for Eight**

Public advised to write to Western Greyhound to complain about the buses at St Kew Highway.

Public advised to be aware of thefts from building sites

### **577 Register of gifts and hospitality for Councillors and Staff**

None to report

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.45