St Breward Parish Council 2023/24

Minutes of the Council meeting for

Monday 4th September at 7 30pm

Held in St Breward Institute & War Memorial Hall

1) Parish Councillors Present: Veronica Stansfield, David Cornelius, Paul van der ben, Patrick Lucas, David Poxon, Denis Lusby

Unitary Authority Councillor Present: Dominic Fairman

Clerk to the Parish Council: A Cornelius

Members of the Public Present: Mr & Mrs Kirby Harris, Norma Harbinson, Jan Chivers

	Minutes	Action req'd/Person responsible
Public concerns and issues raised prior to start of the PC meeting	Norma Harbinson – gave overview with regard to the Luncheon Club and the current plan to fund raise for a replacement cooker, extractor fan and other items. The Luncheon Club is an important group within our village which provides companionship, nutritious food, and conviviality often preventing social isolation. Mr & Mrs Kirby Harris advised the PC of their interest in the watercourses and leats within the village, and explained the maintenance role they have undertaken in their property.	
2) Apologies	Darren Wills (work), Fiona Camboropoulos (holiday), Stephen Nankivell	
3) Declaration of members registerable, non-registerable and disclosable pecuniary interests (in accordance with Part 3, 5A & 5B Code of Conduct)	None	
4) To receive & approve the minutes of the meeting held on 7 th August and the extraordinary meeting on 20 th June 2023	 a) The minutes of the meeting held on 7th August were approved - Proposed by DP, seconded VS – all in favour b) The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 20th June were approved. Proposed by VS, seconded by PL – all in favour. 	
5) Matters Arising	 a) Monster signs are producing the 20 is plenty signs (10 in total for: Hallagena x 2 – one near cattlegrid at Hallagena and one approaching Rough Ground from Rylands Delank x 2 - One each direction on the approach into the De Lank Hamlet where most of the houses are situated. Penvorder - Going downhill: 1) Cattle Grid, 2) On Pedestrian Sign Post on the verge outside Moorgoods [to re- enforce the SLOW signs on road prior to dangerous bend/Craigleith gateway], 3) Opposite Bolts Quarry Farm, 4) Penvorder Cottages. Going uphill from Higher Lank: 1) Where the road narrows opposite the land of Phil Harper [on the Road Narrows sign] 2) Where the road first narrows by Penvorder House. These will cost £50 aprox and aim to be delivered within the next month. Clerk has contacted Community Heartbeat Trust re Row telephone box – they still don't have this listed as their asset but are still makes further enquiries and will report back to Clerk. DW confirmed that he has asked S Kay to source granite to complete the seat at Colans Cross. He also confirmed that the second traffic speed control is currently on charge and will be erected within the next week. 	

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	DL thanked DW for all that he has done.4) Clerk to still order the replacement bench for higher lank.	
6) Public Concerns & Comments	Already on the agenda	

7) Planning matters &	i) Applications: None	
planning applications	 ii) Decisions: PA22/10217 – land south of the Old Cottage Chapel - withdrawn iii) Correspondence: Mount Pleasant development – Mr Mason feedback iv) Training: CALC are offering training – circulated to all Coucillors 	
8) Police Report will be received	The Police Report has been circulated to Councillors and posted on PC website.	
9) Updates from CALC	None	
10) St Breward Luncheon Club request for grant funding	Norma Harbinson and Jan Chivers gave the PC a presentation about the Luncheon Club. The PC discussed the request for support of replacing the cooker at the Football Club – the PC resolved to offer their support for any grant applications and to donate £100. In addition the PC advised that if more grant funding was required – to let the PC know. Proposed by DCC, seconded by DP – all in favour. DF suggested that the Luncheon Club apply to the Cornwall Community Foundation as well as Awards for All.	
11) Play Areas at Rylands	DL – advised that the swings are squeaking and need oiling. The Play Area is looking well. It was agreed to get a graphic on gate to encourage it is shut – as recently cows/horses have been accessing when gate left open.	
12) Village Seats, grit bins, bins & notice boards	Noticeboards – VS proposed that the PC scrap the following notice boards - Memorial Hall, Higher Lank & Penvorder Lane and just have a new one at Hill. Suggest that a local tradesman makes it and a local carpenter has offered agreed to provide a specification in order to receive quotes.	
	Telephone Box at Row – Community Heartbeat Trust – Clerk will pursue. Proposal to write to charity and remove box, the PC think its on private property and current owner checking with Land registry. Proposed by VS and seconded by PvdB – all in favour.	

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13) Bus Shelters	The PC reviewed the emails from 2 different departments in Cornwall Council and asked the Clerk to respond to both in ascertaining the outcome of the structural survey on 21 st August and the process of devolution for this community asset. DL has counted the tiles and yet to calculate dimensions to see if they can be utilised in the shelter. The PC agreed to focus on the Claylands bus shelter after the Rylands project is completed.		
14) Cattle grazing on the common at Rylands and straying down into village	Following last months discussion and proposals – the Clerk contacted NoFence to get a quote for 6 collars and the monitoring of the app and related equipment. It would be approximately £2398. They would require the consent of the cattle owner and for the owner to have the tech to monitor and use the equipment.		
	The Clerk has contacted Mr Blackburn to discuss the complaints that the Parish Council have received from various parishioners. He confirmed that only one of these complainants has spoken to him directly. He confirmed that he would not have the technology to use collars for his animals. His common land grazing rights allows him to turn out 14 cattle, but he has only turned out 7. He is obliged to return them to the farm each evening, which he does – and although he accepts the concerns – he recognises that this agreement has been in place for many years in previous generations – including his father. The Parish Council discussed the information and thanked the Clerk for her work in this matter.		
	The PC acknowledged the various view points surrounding this item, but agreed again noted that the Highways Act 1980 Section 155 states that there are penalties for straying animals, but livestock straying off a common are exempt from these penalties. And only a court of law could decide how far down the highway from the common would this exemption expire.		
	Therefore, the PC resolved to share the notes from this meeting with Mr Blackburn and continue to monitor this with him and the Commoners. The collar solution would not be pursued at this stage.	AC	
15) Watercourses & Leats	PC to ask CC to inspect Waterfall Cottage & Tor Lodge due to the issues raised at the last meeting and captured (August item 15) – Clerk to request. Parish Council to print and distribute CC's leaflet on Land Drainage:Rights & Responsibilities.		

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	Cover letter required. Clerk and Chair to draft.	DL & AC
16) Footpaths 20:39hrs	 a) FP 6 Mill Lane – Chris Monk has provided an update – the PC and his department will work together in providing a specification for the works, so quotes can be received to supply and lay new stones. b) The PC were advised that the Footpath Signage Project scheduled for wb 24th August 2023 Mr & Mrs Kirby Harris, Mr Fairman and Mrs Harbison left the meeting. 	
17) Public Conveniences	Nothing new to share	
18) The PC will note all reports made to Cornwall Council in the past month and update on progress	a) CORN231857894 – run off problems in Penvorder Lane – whole line is to be jetted	
19) Reports will be received by Unitary Councillor Fairman and/or the members of the Parish Council	 i) DF – Government are looking at the phosphate issue (amendment to go to the House of Lords) ii) DF - CAP – Bodmin/Wadebridge – DF will be the chair for the active travel group and will make proposals for quiet lanes. iii) PvdB & VS discussed the Information Board at Mine Hill & The Holy Well. Both in a poor state and it is the responsibility of the Parish Council to replace. VS to send the photo of the Mine Hill to DL. VS suggested that the maintenance of these 2 boards are included in future maintenance schedules. Proposed by VS, seconded by DP – all in favour. iv) DL - complaint received about hedge trimming requirement – DCC will discuss with landowner. 	
20) Financial Matters	 The PC noted that the current account has £1034.17 on 04.09.23 prior to August expenses being paid The PC noted that the savings account has £26498.97 on 04.09.2023. The Clerk confirmed that the precept will be received in September. The PC reviewed all payments, BACS payments and inter account transfers and all actions supported. Proposed by DP, seconded VS – all in favour. Payments in September 2023: 	

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	PAYE: £103.40 Cleaner: £240 Clerk: £413.72 Payroo: £6 Flowers by Bruallen £60 (Power Section 137) Church Flower Festival – PC display for enjoyment of parish Tom Preedy – grass cutting @ Rylands play area and Higher Lank triangle & verge on B3266 £108	
	General & Earmarked reserves – reviewed and understood by PC. The PC reviewed the Luncheon Club's request and agreed to grant £100 at this stage.Proposed PL and seconded PvdB. <i>Insurance renewal information questionnaire has been received and will be reviewed prior to</i>	
21) Correspondence	 <i>renewal in October.</i> a) Request for standards committee recruitment b) Town & Parish Council bulletin – changes to rubbish recycling and food waste will be done in 5 stages with Mid Cornwall going first. 	
22) Forthcoming Training/Meetings/seminars	 a) a) Updating clean air for cornwall strategy engagement workshops – 16th Oct 7 – 830pm via TEAMS, 18th Oct 7 – 8 30pm via TEAMS or 19th October – venue & time tbc. No one interested. b) Lets Talk Water webinar 14th September 2023 2-4pm No one to attend. c) Local Action Energy Plan engagement event Falmouth 5th September Theatre Room, Princess Pavilion. No one to attend. d) Shared prosperity fund events – 7th Sept Saltash 10 30 – 1pm or 12th Sept Wadebridge Town Hall 10 45 – 1pm. No one to attend. e) Camel Valley Community Area Partnership 18th Sept Wadebridge Town Hall 6 30 – 8 30pm – DL intending to attend. VS hopes to join via TEAMS. 	
23) Items for discussion at next meeting	Casual Vacancy Alter December meeting to 11 th December 2023	
24) Date & time of next meeting	The PC agreed to hold the next meeting on Monday 2 nd October 2023 at 7.30pm Meeting closed at 21:31hrs.	