

WEEK ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Meeting took place on Monday 18th July 2011 under the chairmanship of Mr L Davies with 8 Councillors, Mr P Tucker Cornwall Councillor and 0 members of the public present. The following matters were discussed:

Highways – repairs made to water leak on the Canworthy Water road. Tractor parking overnight outside public toilets causing danger of damage to paving and limit visibility for traffic – Mr L Davies will speak to the person concerned. 12 street lights at Week Green and two at Lower Green reported as faulty, and now repaired. Accident at Old Hill on 25th June-various methods of calming the traffic there were discussed, but costs prohibitive, and might cause more accidents to walkers and cyclists. Clerk to write an article for Parish Magazine. Cornwall Council have drainage problems on the road by The Willow/North Corner House in hand. Mr P Tucker and the Highways Steward had looked at possibilities for traffic calming down Green Hill: marked parking bays might slow traffic by creating a slalem effect (this might be effective at Week Green).

Forward planning: Queen's Diamond Jubilee 2012 Mr L Davies will write another article and call an open meeting in the Parish hall on Monday September 26th. Ms T Kabler agreed to call representatives of village organisations to invite one representative from each organisation

Playing Field: - Paul Sachs attended a Health and safety at play workshop. And will make changes to playing field inspection routines as a result including badges and/or high-visibility jacket to show that playing field committee members doing the inspections are on official business. Changing rooms – electricity and water now connected. Planning conditions have still not been discharged; the Playing Field Committee feel aggrieved at the enormous delay, especially as all conditions have been complied with at great expense. Skate Board park A petition from youngsters in the village has been received asking for a skate park on the playing field. This idea is supported by Parish Council, and the youngsters and their parents will be invited to help out with fundraising. The cost is high (about £30,000) and grants hard to come by. Any grant funding would have to prove community involvement in fundraising and raise 10-15% locally.

Disorderly behaviour in Week St Mary Two incidents were reported of disorderly behaviour following parties in the village, which resulted in the police being called and damage to the (closed) gents toilet door. Paul Sachs will fit a hasp, bar and padlock to the closed toilet and paint on a notice that it is closed, and to use the other toilet. Members of the public should dial 999 rather than confront disorderly persons, to prevent anyone getting hurt.

Registration of paths around greens It was agreed the Clerk to consult the Internal Auditor for advice concerning procedure and possible liability if the Parish Council were to adopt the paths, also to contact Footpaths Officer at Cornwall Council to explore the possibility of having them adopted as footpaths.

Correspondence was dealt with (for full list see agenda on Parish Notice Board and the village website)

Flying Visit of helicopter: it was agreed Clerk to write to commanding officer thanking him for allowing the visit, which was a great success, in the hope that a visit or fly-by could be arranged for the Diamond Jubilee event next year

Finance Cheques were raised for the following: South West water – water and sewerage at Playing Field and public toilets; Mr JLA Race- Toilet cleaning; R Heckbert (Info signs) -“No Dogs” sign; Mr N Barriball - Materials to repair benches; Booker Farm Services - Paper for Parish Magazine;

Income - Week St Mary Football Club – 50% of advertising on playing field and £7400 grant for play equipment.

Footpaths Clerk to report exact locations of missing signs (New Park at Westcott Lane End; Swannacott Lane sign on the main road). Footpath 5 repairs approved. New footpaths co-ordinator: Mr Phil Dorren had volunteered, Clerk to write to thank him and accept his offer.

Dog bins – the dog warden will be invited out to find a site for the replacement dog bin at Back Lane. Dog fouling there has been getting worse lately

The following have been received:

1. Maycott, Week Green, Week St Mary, Modernisation of Cottage and rear extension for Mr and Mrs Jones PA11/03732 application withdrawn and replaced with PA11/05422.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Monday 15th August 2011 in the Parish Hall

It was agreed to change the date of the September meeting to Tuesday 20th September to accommodate the Harvest Supper

Nicky May - Parish Clerk