

WEEK ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meeting took place on Thursday 13th June 2013 at 7.30pm under the chairmanship of Mr J Ward with 6 Councillors, the Clerk and 2 members of the public present. Apologies: C Cllr N Chopak and Ian Saltern, Cleaner Seas.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST were received and requests for Councillor Dispensations were discussed.

The following matters were discussed:

Four councillors agreed to attend a CC Planning meeting in Liskeard. Interest had been expressed by some councillors to attend CRCC Local Landscape Character Assessment (LLCA) Workshop for Community Planning but it was felt that as the only venue is Redruth it is too far away. Mr L Davies had agreed to continue as the holder of the Lottery License and the application has been approved.

PLANNING - No Decision Notices

PLANNING Applications - PA13/04569. Construction of extension and new garage.

Greenleigh Week St Mary. Mr Steve Clark. There were no comments on the application

PLANNING QUERIES, INFRINGEMENT & ENFORCEMENT MATTERS - It was agreed that a written request is required and an agenda item is published to enable planning matters to be discussed by the councillors.

FOOTBALL FIELD LEASE & TIPPING LICENSE PLANNING APPLICATION – a response is awaited from the council's solicitor.

STANDING ORDERS - Following some amendments it was unanimously agreed to accept the NALC recommended STOs.

DISCUSS SETTING UP AN INDEPENDENT, CONFIDENTIAL ADVICE GROUP FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING STRESS OR WORRIES ABOUT RENEWABLE ENERGY PROPOSALS IN WEEK ST MARY

Despite enquiries, it has not been possible to find any details about a group or groups that have been set up to offer support and it was agreed not to pursue the matter.

CLERK'S ANNUAL SALARY REVIEW - The Chairman advised the meeting that the Clerk has been keeping a time sheet for the previous 11 weeks and time spent on clerking duties exceeds the allocated hours. The Chairman will contact Cornwall Association of Local Councils (CALC) and it was agreed to defer the review until the July meeting.

PLAYING FIELD – It is hoped to install the skateboard in a few weeks and to progress with the replacement swings.

PARISH HALL – the grant bid to assist with the costs for the new boiler was unsuccessful.

POOR MAN'S PIECE – Some repairs have been done to stop the sheep escaping and there were some suggestions for ways to deal with the drainage in the field.

CORRESPONDENCE was dealt with and in addition to the list on the agenda, items discussed at the meeting included: Bude Community Network meeting Agenda 08.07.13 and CALC opening times and details of training.

FINANCE - Cheques were raised for the following: Clerk's salary and reimbursement of petty cash; Parish Hall quarterly donation; Zurich Municipality annual insurance premium; IT, broadband and printing; Village green grass cutting; repairs to broken glass in toilet door and Information Commissioner's Office (Data Protection). There was no income and current bank and building society balances were reported.

Financial Regulations and Nat West Bank Mandate were amended stating that one of the four signatories is the Chairman, Vice Chairman or Clerk.

Insurance renewal – the decision to insure with Zurich Municipal was given full approval.

Renewal/tenders for contracts (toilet cleaning). The cleaner has sent a letter of resignation and it was agreed to advertise for tenders in the parish magazine.

Section137 Grants – it was agreed to donate to Cornwall CAB, Cornwall Air Ambulance, Stratton Hospital of Friends, Farm Crisis Network, Victim Support and Bude Street Pastors.

PARISH OFFICE - BT have agreed to refund the £9 charge for a paper bill and to set up a direct debit. The timing on the PIR sensors has been reduced.

FOOTPATHS LMP It was agreed to request the resident, adjacent to a footpath, to remove a large flowerpot which could be hazardous to walkers.

HIGHWAYS – CC will be contacted about potholes from Geenamoor Cross to Floddon Tor and the overgrown grass banks at Cherry Cross and on the road from Floddon Tor to the B3254.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF COUNCILLORS & CLERK FOR WEEK ST MARY WEBSITE – councillors were requested to forward their photographs for the website.

COUNCILLOR VACANCIES – CO-OPTION – There were 3 applicants for 2 vacancies and CALC recommended co-option process was used for the secret ballot voting. The applicants with the majority vote were Mrs N Johns and Mrs C Slade.

NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA_- Annual Risk Assessment Review; Clerk's Review; Ian Saltern Cleaner Seas.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING Parish Council Meeting Thursday 11th July 2013 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.