

# WEEK ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meeting took place on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 7.30pm under the chairmanship of Mr J Ward with six Councillors and the Clerk. C Cllr N Chopak was in attendance, no other members of the public were present.

## ***The following matters were discussed:***

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST were noted and no requests for dispensations were received.

MATTERS ARISING – The exact location of the holding tanks at Ashbury Grove remains in question and the Clerk will contact Pearce Construction for information. A Holsworthy Hamlets councillor is co-ordinating a community response relating to the threat of bed closures in Holsworthy Hospital. As a result of the news that Devon Healthcare are planning to close wards throughout the county, the Clerk will write to oppose the cuts. No response received from the Police Commissioner about plans to reduce police stations and the long time 'on-hold' when calling the non-emergency telephone number 101. The Clerk will write to the Police Chief Constable, the MP and the Home Office expressing deep concern about news that police officers from Devon and Cornwall will be seconded for neutral aid duties and planned further cuts to police officers.

PLANNING – 1 x Decision Refusal Notices from CC - PA14/02894 - Application for Lifting of Condition 2 on Decision Notice 96/0245 for the Construction of an Agricultural Dwelling (agricultural occupancy condition). Green Acre at Greenamoor Week St Mary. Mr & Mrs W Hannaford. 5 x Planning Applications. PA14/03215 - Outline planning permission with all matters reserved: Temporary Licence for an essential workers dwelling. Week Orchard Farm. Miss L Congdon, the parish council recommended refusal. The parish council made no comment respectively to PA14/04358 - Single storey rear extension- porch. Detached single storey garage and store. The Barn Week Green. Mr P Cartwright and PA14/03262 - Listed Building Consent for front window replacement. Hayescott Week St. Mary. Mr N Breen. PA14/04539 – Proposed new access drive and vehicle hard standing. 3 Week Green.. Mr & Mrs K Lewis, the parish council request that the County Tree Officer is notified a tree is to be removed. PA14/04417 - Works to tree in Conservation Area - namely fell one sycamore (T1) Wentworth House Week St Mary. Mr R Sowerby. The notification is for information purposes. Planning Queries Other Planning Matters - the date for the determination by Cornwall Strategic Planning Committee in Truro of PA14/02107. The Big Field Wind Farm and PA14/12113 Change of use of Little Exe Cottage is 3rd July. (the date has since been changed to 31<sup>st</sup> July).

COUNTY COUNCILLOR Mrs N CHOPAK updated the council on some County matters including: due to lack of resources there are no plans to implement better recycling for plastic; she is in regular contact with CC Highways Manager about potholes and road defects and although the mobile library consultation is ongoing, one option which is gaining favour is keeping 1 van to cover the whole of the county rather than scrapping them all.

DISCUSS HAVING A WIND TURBINE PARISH POLICY - it was agreed to await the results of the Good Energy Wind Turbines planning application.

PLACE NAME FOR CHURCH MEWS - CC has agreed to order a sign.

POOR STATE OF ROAD BETWEEN THE SQUARE AND THE CHURCH GATE – C Cllr N Chopak offered to speak to CC for clarification about maintenance responsibility.

SITE OF DERELICT CARAVAN - CC Environmental Health Officer is investigating whether any of their legislation can be used to deal with clearing the site.

ANNUAL REVIEWS of: Governance & Finance; Financial Regulations; Internal Audit; Risk Assessment and Councillors' Register of Interest were undertaken.

CORRESPONDENCE – 14 items had been circulated.

FINANCE - payments were approved; there was no income; bank balances were noted.

PLAYING FIELD - Annual safety checks have been carried out. Week St Mary Football Club have agreed to cut the grass for 2014/15.

COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES - Footpaths LMP – Problems with dog mess, particularly in the Back Lane. Dog Bins – some options for siting a dog bin were discussed.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 10th July 2014

