

## WEEK ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meeting took place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at 7.30pm under the chairmanship of Mr J Ward with eight Councillors and the Clerk present. C Cllr N Chopak was in attendance for some of the meeting. No members of the public were present. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and the following matters were discussed:

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST were noted and those with an interest left the meeting at appropriate times and returned respectively when the matter had been dealt with.

DISPENSATIONS - no requests.

THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING were agreed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING - Parish Council Vacancy. If CC does not notify that there have not been 10 requests for a by-election by 23.01.15, the notice to fill the vacancy by co-option can be advertised.

Holsworthy Hospital - ND Healthcare NHS Chief Executive, Alison Diamond has advised that in terms of future plans for Holsworthy Hospital they are not aware of any planned changes. However, North, East and West Devon Clinical Commission Groups (N, E & WD CCG) is currently consulting on the future configuration and scale of community services in Devon and have held engagement events in Holsworthy. ND Healthcare and N, E & WD CCG have agreed to keep the parish council informed.

BT Telephone Kiosk - No further feedback from either D Rogerson or CC.

PLANNING – 2 x Approved Decision Notices i) PA14/09935 - Construction of extension and alterations. Honey Crest Week St Mary. Mr & Mrs J Sachs. ii) PA14/09117 –

Retrospective application for Siting of CCTV cameras to serve approved solar park. Land west of South Wheatley, Wheatley Road, Maxworthy, Launceston. PS Renewables. (N Petherwin parish). 2 x Refused Decisions iii) PA14/08270 - Construction of solar photovoltaic park and attendant infrastructure. Land At Hornacott West Ditchin North Tamerton. Electro Green Power Ltd (North Tamerton Parish). iv) PA14/08272 - Construction of photovoltaic park and attendant infrastructure. Villaton Farm and Killarney Boyton. Electro Green Power Ltd. (Boyton Parish).

2 x Applications – i) PA14/11511 - Change of use of mobile home from ancillary accommodation to holiday let. The Willows Week St Mary. Mrs S Williams. Following a discussion it was agreed to recommend refusal. ii) PA14/11864 - Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use or operation relating to commencement of works (Application no. E1/2009/01678 dated 19/01/10 relates). Reeve House Week St Mary. Mr S Cunningham. It was agreed to respond that the parish council have no knowledge of the date of commencement of works.

2x Queries Other Planning Matters – i) PA14/11585 Prior Approval of Proposed change of use of Agricultural Building to a dwelling house (Use Class C3) and for associated operational development. Land West of Canfield (The Shippon) Week St Mary. CC had not informed the parish council about the application but a councillor and the clerk had each received copy letters from parishioners relating to the application. CC Planning Officer has advised a consultation process is not necessary for this type of application. Cllr N Chopak will advise the planning officer that the parish council request that the proposal undergoes a full consultation process. ii) CC Enforcement Department has advised that they will investigate whether the pedestrian access to the Old School House is permitted.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR Mrs N CHOPAK advised that approximately 20% reductions in CC staff are occurring. She will follow up enquiries about responsibility of the road between the Square and the Church gate and the state of road near Flodden Tor.

PROTECTING COMMUNITY ASSETS BY HAVING THEM LISTED - it was agreed not to request to list any community assets.

## CORNWALL COUNCIL – DEVOLUTION & DECENTRALISATION – THE CASE FOR CORNWALL

CC Leader and Deputy Leader presented a draft document to Cornwall Councillors in December and they are seeking views and opinions on its content and are aiming to present an updated version to the full council on 20.01.15.

PS SOLAR FARM COMMUNITY BENEFITS - PS Solar Farm claim they are awaiting information.

CORRESPONDENCE – 8 items had been circulated and items dealt with at the meeting included details about Bude Community Network Panel Meeting and Cornwall for Change meeting at Fraddon.

A MEMORIAL IN THE VILLAGE IN RECOGNITION OF THE LATE MR I BARRIBALL – it was agreed to the next meeting.

DEFIBRILLATOR – the British Heart Foundation has advised they will pay for a defibrillator and it has been ordered.

LIST OF WEEK ST MARY CONTACTS AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY - Deferred until the next meeting.

PLAYING FIELD – A representative from Sovereign Playgrounds will visit and provide a free review of the play equipment.

FINANCE - payments were approved; bank balances were noted; there was no income and the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarterly balance sheet and bank reconciliation were approved.

## COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES

Public Toilets – It was agreed to invite for tenders to provide a urinal. An anonymous note from someone in Devon praising the state of the facilities had been left claiming they are the Best in Cornwall.

Parish Greens – It was noted that the contractor has done an excellent job throughout the year and it was agreed to offer an extension of the agreement for an additional 12 months.

Dog bins – There was concern that there is still a serious problem with dog mess in the parish and although the councillors have been unable to find an acceptable location for a dog waste bin at the top end of the village, it was agreed to investigate again. .

Highways – The Clerk has chased CC re the surface water problems at Meadow View and will notify CC re re flood water on the road opposite the Village Hall, the 30 mph limit sign which has been moved and will ask for an update from CC re the drain at Glen Grant which was damaged by BT.

Footpaths LMP –The contractor has cleared the leaves in Back Lane.

STANDING ORDERS - A draft of the new version with the changes had been circulated.

BUS SHELTER – CC can make grants to Parish Councils, toward some of the costs for the purchase of a bus shelter depending on location and usage. It was noted that there is no obvious safe, off-road site at the top end of the village but the councillors agreed to meet to investigate.

## REPORTS FROM VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS:

Football Club have agreed to provide details of their plans by the end of January.

ANNUAL COUNCIL DINNER -The Chairman advised he has made enquiries for a meal followed by Bowling at Trethorne and it was agreed to go ahead with the booking.

NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA -Invite Police Superintendent J Green and Inspector P Norlund. Internal Auditor.

DATES FOR MEETINGS IN 2015 - It was agreed to hold the February meeting one week later than normal – on 19<sup>th</sup> February. Agreeing dates for the remaining of 2015 deferred until the February meeting.

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