

MINUTES OF WEEK ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Thursday 10th September 2015 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Prior to the start of the meeting, the councillors visited the Playpark to inspect the Skateboard apparatus.

PRESENT: Mr J Ward Vice Chair, Messrs R Harris, P Sachs, W Pearce, P Coulson Mrs C Slade and the Clerk. Also in attendance for most of the meeting C Cllr N Chopak.

APOLOGIES – Mrs M Smith and Mr S Cluney. Mrs N Johns had expected to arrive at 8.15pm but was not present also not present Mr S May.

0 members of the public were present.

CHAIRMAN’S WELCOME – The Vice Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

No DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No COUNCILLOR DISPENSATIONS

CONFIRMATION of the MINUTES of the MEETING held on August 13th 2015.

The minutes of the meetings were agreed.

MATTERS ARISING

Superfast Broadband – BT are taking orders and payment for superfast but it has transpired that the infrastructure is not complete. There is dissatisfaction about the poor way it has all been handled. Cllr Chopak will make some enquiries.

Primrose Solar Farm Community Benefit – Cllr N Chopak is in contact with the CEO of PS Renewables and the relevant parish councils and it is hoped the documents will be received soon.

No OPEN FORUM AT THE DISCRETION OF COUNCILLORS

PLANNING – Decision Notices

1. PA15/05426 - Replacement dwelling. Greenleigh Week St Mary. Mr J Gubbin. APPROVED

PLANNING – Applications

1. PA15/02430/PREAPP - Planning Performance Agreement for residential development. Treetops The Square Week St Mary. Mr R Pearce. Case Officer - Mark Evans. The Pre-application stage is complete.

PLANNING – Queries Other Planning Matters

1. Queries were raised about new development activity at the site of the poultry units at week orchard. Cllr N Chopak agreed to follow up with the planning department.

PLANNING – Deal with updates from CC regarding paperless planning & Survey response

There has been no further communication from CC except a consultation survey document sent by email. The survey cannot be printed, so therefore those not on email cannot see or respond to the survey.

There have been more letters from parish councils who are strongly opposed to paperless planning.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR Mrs N CHOPAK

Cllr Chopak advised that more items of plastic and tin foil will be added to the items that can be recycled in 2016. Mrs C Slade advised Cllr Chopak that on 27th August 2015, residents receiving care in the community in Week St Mary received a letter advising that the care would cease with effect from 28th August. It has transpired that Westcountry Carers withdrew their services as CC had not renewed their contract. Residents in Week St Mary are still not receiving any visits from social services and have been left very vulnerable. Cllr Chopak will make enquiries and the Clerk will write to CC Head of Safeguarding with copies to Director of Adult Care and S Mann MP.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence circulated 05.09.15

1. NHS – Peninsula Community Health Summer 2015 Issue 10.
2. Clerks and Councils Direct.
3. Cornwall for Change email + notice of AGM in October (date tba)
4. Report from CARE meeting on 12.08.15.
5. Farming Community Network letter of thanks for grant.
6. CPRE – Voice for Cornwall.

Correspondence circulated at the meeting:

1. CRUSE Bereavement Care Cornwall 2015 Appeal. The letter will be placed on file.
2. Monmouthshire B/Soc – re the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS).
3. Nat West re Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). - Changes to protection limit. Cover reducing from £85K to £75K wef 03.07.15
4. Report from CARE meeting on 28.07.15.
5. CC Communities & Devolution Sept Bulletin
6. Tir Teg Cornwall AONB
7. CC Waste Incentive neighbourhood scheme.
8. Letter to S Newton MP from St Just in Roseland re Paperless Planning.
9. Letter from St Martin-by-Looe PC re Paperless Planning

Correspondence dealt with at the meeting:

10. CC Third Localism Summit 30.09.15 New County Hall Truro
11. SW Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust Annual Members' meeting and Showcase Exeter 17.09.15.
12. Email from a parishioner re parish council involvement with CARE. (although recorded here, with the approval of the meeting, was dealt with at the end of the meeting).

Mr J Ward left the meeting

It was resolved that the Clerk will respond advising that advice had been sought and that contributions for such a project is covered under Section 137 of the 1971 Local Government Act.

Mr J Ward returned to the meeting

PLAYING FIELD

Mrs C Slade left the meeting.

Repairs and Maintenance. Skateboard: There had been emails and telephone calls following the suggestions from the last meeting about the skateboard ramp. Mr M Slade advised he would not be able to bend 18mm –plywood as it would be too rigid and he provided costings for other options and combinations. Following a discussion, during which various points were discussed, including whether it was worth spending more money on the apparatus, it was resolved to ask Mr Slade to quote a price for a full and effective repair. Mr J Ward will liaise with Mr M Slade.

Mrs C Slade returned to the meeting

Other Play Area Matters: It was resolved that 2 replacement large swing sets (£29 each + VAT) and sets of chains (£36 + VAT) are required which the clerk will order. Mrs M Smith has purchased the safety barrier fencing. Mrs M Smith has been trying to get recycled rubber safety surface samples, but so far without success. Cllr Chopak will forward the paperwork to enable the parish council to apply for a grant towards the cost of the swings and safety ground cover.

The Football Club have emailed a copy of their insurance details: public and product liability, employers liability, officers and committee liability, professional liability and cyber liability. Following a discussion, the Clerk was directed to write to the Football Club to request that the tipping must all be complete by the end of 2015

WEED TREATMENT IN WEEK ST MARY PARISH

The quote from CORMAC is £160per km and for WSM a distance of 1.464k is £219.45 + VAT for 2 treatments. The areas treated include all footways including the areas below the kerb but if there is no footway then this would not be included. It was noted that, despite Ashbury Grove being adopted, not any of that area is included on the map. It was resolved to ask CORMAC to do the work and the Clerk will check that they will include Ashbury Grove and whether, as it is late in the season, if they will do one or two treatments.

WEEK ST MARY TOILETS

- a) Direction sign – It was noted that there is no direction sign to the toilets on the junction.
- b) Voluntary Contribution box – It was resolved to order a metal box (£21.04 + VAT) which can be fixed to the wall. Mrs N Johns has confirmed that she has the sign.

MEMORIAL FOR THE LATE MR I BARRIBALL

It was agreed that a bench can be sited on the Lower Green; the bench that is already there was placed there by the parish council and will be moved to a suitable site.

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS

Mr J Ward offered to liaise with Mr P Dorren.

FEEDBACK ON HOSPITAL BED CONSULTION MEETING IN HOLSWORTHY

Mrs M Smith had sent a letter to ND Healthcare Trust regarding the location of the 40 remaining planned inpatient beds across the region. A response to the letter from ND Healthcare Trust together with a public consultation document and feedback form had been received and circulated. Mrs M Smith and Mrs C Slade had each attended one of the meetings held in Holsworthy in August. Following a discussion about serious concerns relating to bed cutbacks, the Clerk was directed to send a letter to Holsworthy Town Council, advising that Week St Mary parish council fully support them in their endeavour against reducing bed provision in Holsworthy Hospital; copies of the correspondence with ND Healthcare Trust and Week St Mary Parish will be enclosed.

FINANCE

The Clerk advised that she had needed to order a new binder for the minutes and there had been a special offer for A4 copier paper at less than £2 per ream, 2 packs of 5 reams were ordered. An order combined with Marhamchurch Parish Council stationery requirements had been amalgamated to avoid delivery charges. Total net cost to Week St Mary £22.90.

1. Payments totalling £1,576.33 as per schedule together with additional £44.45 cheque payments (J A & M C Roberts and Marhamchurch PC) were approved
2. Income:

a) CC 2 nd half Precept	£7315.50
b) CC 2 nd half CTS Grant	£468.39
c) Western Power Distribution Wayleaves (2 payments	£50.31
3. Bank Balances as at 06.09.15

Nat West Bank Balances	££9,531.47
Monmouthshire B/Soc	£8,410.10.
4. Mr P Coulson has completed his check of the finance documents and found all to be correct and in order.
5. Changes to Pension rules – deferred.
6. Transparency Code – The Clerk is still waiting to hear from CALC about the criteria to enable parish councils to apply for grant funding towards the cost of implementing the code to meet requirements.

POLICIES AND PROTOCOLS

The Clerk will deal with these when time allows.

PARISH MATTERS & RECEIVE UPDATES

Defibrillator – There has been a delay due to the British Heart Foundation cancelling the order as records held by them show that the parish already has a defibrillator despite it being removed by SW Ambulances for re-calibrating and never being returned. Mr P Coulson is pursuing enquiries.

Details of Emergency Contacts in the Parish. – Mr Coulson confirmed that he and Mrs N Johns have the matter in hand.

Record book of Parish Councillors terms of office. – Mrs C Slade only has 5 years information left to collate; the Clerk has made no progress sourcing a suitable book

Bench repairs – Mr P Sachs is cleaning paint from a bench in the Play Area and repairing some benches as necessary.

Footpaths – Mr P Dorren is dealing with the overgrown footpath and unstable stile reported in August.

Parish Office – Some documents collated when the parish plan was prepared have been moved from the Parish Hall to the Parish Office

Community Policing – PC South has advised that PCSO S Ross will liaise with him about speedwatch after the summer holidays.

Transport/Parish Greens/Highways – Nothing to report

NO REPORTS FROM VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

CLERK'S ANNUAL REVIEW

Deferred

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

DATE FOR NEXT MEETING 08.10.15