TINTAGEL PARISH COUNCIL



'Tintagel's Great Seal'

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DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of Tintagel Parish Council held on Wednesday 3rd September 2014 at 6.50 p.m. at Tintagel Social Hall

Present: Cllrs. Dyer, Wickett, Brooks, Flower, Hockerday, Dorman, Hodge, Lewis and Goward

Apologies: Cllrs. Spurdens

Cllr. G. Brown (Cornwall Council) was in attendance.

Fourteen members of the public were present

Mr. Hart filmed proceedings. Mr. Wickett filmed proceedings.

The Chairman read out the following statement:

This meeting has been advertised as a public meeting and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media or members of the public.

Please be aware that whilst every effort is taken to ensure that members of the public are not filmed, we cannot guarantee this, especially if you are speaking or taking an active role.

Declarations of Interest

None

To consider Co-option of a Parish Councillor

Parish councillors had met informally with Ms. Jane Soutter prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr. Flower, seconded by Cllr. Hodge and RESOLVED that Ms. Soutter be invited to join the Parish Council. All in favour.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting in order for Ms. Soutter to sign her Declaration of Acceptance as a Councillor. The Clerk provided her with a Register of Interest Form and would provide additional paperwork as required in due course. Ms. Soutter was invited to join the table but asked not to take part in discussion or vote until her Rol form had been returned and forwarded to Cornwall Council.

Invitation to members of the public to speak prior to meeting regarding items on the Agenda (10 minutes allowed for this item)

The Chairman had invited Mr. David Cook to the meeting to give a brief overview of the work carried out in the 1970s to the Prince of Wales Engine House. He advised an inaugural meeting was held on 11.12.72. The majority of the funding came from the former Manpower Services Commission (£8700) with donations from other organisations and the public. Work was completed in 1974. A member of the public asked if the Duchy were interested at the time, he was advised they were not. A member of the public asked if the parish council would be attending the auction. The Chairman advised that the item would be discussed during the meeting as an Agenda item. Mrs. Patterson, a former councillor herself, also spoke about the work carried out and advised that she had written to Prince Charles.

To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting held on the 27th August 2014 and Matters Arising Cllr. Goward raised his objections to the Minutes. Given that the minutes are a summary of the discussions that took place, it was proposed by Cllr. Hodge, seconded by Cllr. Wickett and RESOLVED that the Minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting. 6 votes in favour, 2 abstentions (due to absence from meeting in question), one vote against. Carried.

REPORTS

CCC C/Cllr. Brown had nothing to report but gave the Clerk a contact number for refuse collection problems.

Christmas Lighting Committee Cllr. Wickett reported that two successful fund raising events had been held during the summer. The Switch on event was planned for the 6th December.

Minutes & Agenda Training and Minute Taking Training Days Clerk reported that she had attended.

Police Report July reports (copy already circulated to members July/August 2014) – noted.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PA14/06996 Mr. W.G. Owen, 1 Merton Cottages, Tregatta, Tintagel – Replace prefabricated garage with a block built outbuilding to incorporate a toilet, shower, storage area and summer room Cllr. Goward proposed no objection, there was no seconder. It was proposed by Cllr. Flower, seconded by Cllr. Brooks and RESOLVED that no comment be made. 9 votes in favour. Carried.

Also to consider any other applications received since the Agenda was published. None

Email from V. Regan, Cornwall Council – Update on proposed development at Mandalay Farm The Clerk read out the email received which updated on the current position with the application.

AGENDA ITEMS

Neighbourhood Development Plan – to consider the future of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Project and associated administration and funding

Cllr. Goward asked why the list of items to be discussed from previous meetings was not on the Agenda. Cllr. Hodge and Wickett noted that non-public meetings continued to be held. Cllr. Hodge noted the incorrect comments made in an email circulated by the Steering Group about his personal

information on the Parish Council website. He also noted that he had been forwarded two emails, one from the Project Manager and one from Mrs. Hudson suggesting he join the group but due to his lack of confidence in the Project Manager and the Steering Group as a whole he could not support continuance of the NDP project. Cllr. Wickett proposed that as he had no confidence in the Project Manager or the Parish Council representative on the group, he could not see a way forward and proposed a cooling down period in which the Project be put on hold and revisited at the Parish Council's convenience. Cllr. Hockerday proposed an amendment that a fixed time should be stated, Cllr. Brooks suggested 6 months and this was agreed by Cllr. Wickett. Cllr. Brooks therefore seconded Cllr. Wickett's proposal. Cllr. Goward noted there were people in favour of the plan and at a public meeting the majority were in favour and proposed an amendment that the meeting with Cornwall Council should be held before putting the project on hold. There was no seconder for Cllr. Goward's proposal. A vote was taken on the original proposal with 8 votes in favour and one against. Carried.

Tintagel Parish Council Website - to discuss amendments required to Complaints information page It was advised by the Clerk that the incorrect information had been displayed on the website. It was proposed by Cllr. Dorman, seconded by Cllr. Hockerday and RESOLVED that the Clerk upload the Parish Council's adopted Complaints Procedure. All in favour.

Tintagel Visitor Centre: Advertising 2015 – to update on progress

The Clerk advised that she had forwarded the up-to-date list of existing and potential advertisers to Cllr. Hodge. Thanks were expressed to Mrs. Bull for her assistance and continued support of the Centre.

Trevena Square - to consider any work required to the seat lighting and trees

After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk would arrange with the handyman to remove the 2 scotch firs and the dead tree at the bottom of the square. She would obtain quotes for the electrical work to be carried out to the seat/street lights.

Tintagel Parish Council – Clerk to report on rates of interest on bank accounts as requested by Cllr. Goward

The Clerk advised of the current rates of interest on the parish accounts.

Came and Company – quotations for increased insurance premiums for recent property valuations

- To consider a report from CIIr. Hodge regarding property valuations for insurance purposes (copy circulated to members with Agenda)
- To consider the response from Came and Company re: property valuations
- Consideration of amendments to the Parish Council Asset Register

After discussion regarding the high valuations provided by Cunningham Lindsey it was proposed by Cllr. Hodge, seconded by Cllr. Flower and RESOLVED that the Clerk endeavor to obtain a valuation from a local company. Anyone with any ideas as to who she could contact to advise the Clerk. All in favour.

Prince of Wales Engine House - To discuss proposed sale/auction by the Duchy of Cornwall

Following the discussion in the public session, it was proposed by Cllr. Wickett, seconded by Cllr. Flower and RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the Duchy of Cornwall and Prince Charles advising of the dismay of the Parish Council and its parishioners at the speed of the proposed sale. All in favour.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Mrs. D. Thomas re: refuse collection, Bossiney Road,

The Clerk would advise Mrs. Thomas to make contact with Cornwall Council via the information given by Cllr. Brown at the start of the meeting.

Email from No Bounds Aerial Film & Photography – to consider request to film in local area

Agreed that the Clerk should respond that contact should be made with English Heritage/National Trust.

Cornwall Council

- Leisure Options Consultation (circulated 6.8.14) noted
- Planning Conferences for Local Councils (circulated 7.8.14) noted

Email from David Flower re: future Retention of Age Concern information/documents

It was proposed by Cllr. Goward, seconded by Cllr, Dorman and RESOLVED that Mr. Flower be advised to send the documents to the county office of Age Concern in Truro. All in favour.

Cornwall Land Community Trust – Construction of 4 affordable homes, Treligga Downs Road, Delabole

The Clerk read out the contents of the letter, which were noted.

FOR INFORMATION

Cornwall Council – Assessment – Decision Notice re: Complaint against a parish councillor Noted.

Cornwall Association of Local Councils

- LAIS Briefing Deregulation Bill (circulated 22.7.14) Noted.
- Openness and Transparency Regulations with additional information received from CALC 28.8.14 - Noted.

Grant Thornton – Confirmation of completion of Audit for the year ended 31st March 2014 – Noted.

Cornwall Council

- Get involved in Cornwall Council's budget discussions 2014 event Noted
- Cornwall Community Flood Forum AGM and Conference Noted

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

It was proposed by Cllr. Hodge, seconded by Cllr. Brooks and RESOLVED that the cheques be signed. All in favour.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held on Wednesday 1st October 2014.

It was proposed by Cllr. Flower, seconded by Cllr. Wickett and RESOLVED that pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is resolved that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during consideration of the following items. All in favour.

Tintagel Christmas Lights – consideration of quotations for testing, erection and taking down of lights It was proposed by Cllr. Flower, seconded by Cllr. Dorman and RESOLVED that the quotation from Mr. Lowe be accepted. The Clerk advised that a further letter had been received from Mr. Vare regarding quotes for electrical work and the letter was noted.

STAFFING MATTERS

- To consider and approve the amendments to the following documents carried out by the Working Group, as agreed at the meeting held on the 27.8.14
 - 1. Job Description for Clerk
 - 2. Job Description for Responsible Finance Officer
 - 3. Person Specification
 - 4. Annual Staff Appraisal

It was proposed by Cllr. Flower, seconded by Cllr. Dorman and RESOLVED that the above four documents be accepted. All in favour.

• To consider and approve the draft advertisement for the position of Clerk to be prepared by the Working Group, as agreed at the meeting held on the 27.8.14

The advert would be placed in the paper for next Wednesday, 10th September. Closing date for applications would be 22nd October. It was proposed by Cllr. Wickett, seconded by Cllr. Dorman and RESOLVED that the advert be accepted and a small box ad as discussed be placed in the Cornish Guardian. All in favour.

Cllr. Hockerday proposed that the Parish Council delegate to the Working Group the decision as to whether to insert the advert in the Cornish Guardian for a second time on the 1st October depending on interest at that point. All in favour.

The advert would also be placed in the Parish Newsletter and on the Parish Website.

• To consider and approve the draft letter prepared by the Working Group to be sent to all TVC Volunteers regarding a future possible paid position at the Centre, as agreed at the meeting held on the 27.8.14

It was proposed by Cllr. Dorman, seconded by Cllr. Brooks and RESOLVED that the letter be accepted and sent. All in favour.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Chairman

