

PROBUS PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Probus Parish Council held on Monday 18th December 2017 in the Probus Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Members Present: Cllrs Gillard, Sutherland, Deards, Champion, Hull, Dalton & Goldsworthy. Cornwall Cllr Egerton.

17/241 Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs Blayney & Budden.

17/242 Declarations of Interest Register both pecuniary and non-pecuniary under the Code of Conduct.

Cllr Goldsworthy declared a non-pecuniary interest in Village Hall (committee member).

Cllrs Champion & Hull declared a non-pecuniary interest in Playing Field (committee member).

17/243 Public Participation

Resident stated he was surprised by the contents of the letter regarding Allen's Meadow; agenda item 19c. In their Planning Statement it is stated if Cornwall Council are not supportive it would go no further, in the pre-app reply Cornwall Council were not supportive of the application. He felt Kwalita had been selective in their interpretation, as we do not have a Neighbourhood Development Plan then we fall back on Cornwall Local Plan, and this application is not policy compliant. As it is an Exception Site it would need to be affordably led, also Chapel Street is very congested. The neighbouring property had not been consulted by either the owner of the Land or the Planning Agent.

17/244 To confirm the minutes of the meeting of 20th November 2017.

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 20th November 2017 were declared as correct by Councillor Deards and seconded by Councillor Goldsworthy, all agreed; the Chairman signed them as a correct record.

17/245 Matters Arising

- a) 17/157- Clock-the clock has stopped again, Clerk to report.
- b) 17/175- Cllr Champion topped up most graves, few to complete.
- c) 17/180- streetlights- authorised 2 communication devices and returned maintenance contract, SEC starting adoption process will update in a few weeks, Clerk to chase.
- d) 17/196- Playing Field Constitution, still waiting to hear from Charity Commission.
- e) 17/199- Village Hall car park signs- erected, although complaint received regarding wording not containing sanctions.
Cllr Hull declared a pecuniary interest and left the room (rents 3 spaces).
Resident has voiced her disappointment that sanctions are not included on

the signs.

Discussion took place regarding what sanctions are open to the Parish Council. Proposal by Cllr Sutherland that a letter is written if a vehicle is left for more than 3 nights requesting payment or court action will be taken, seconded Cllr Deards, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

Cllr Hull re-entered the room.

- f) 17/202 – footpaths, to carry forward to next month.
- g) 17/203- Business Rates on Cemetery- invoice received for 1 year.
- h) 17/223- Planning Application, Playing Field hedge, to complete, carry forward.
- i) 17/226- Bus Shelter repairs- builder instructed, start date January.
- j) 17/228- Anti-climb paint and removal of wire fence on Playing Field Boundary- completed.
- k) 17/235- Litter bin bus shelter- bin fitted.
- l) 17/237a- Skate Ramp noise-complainant stated due to dark evenings the noise had ceased, will re-contact the Parish Council if/when it commences again.
- m) 17/237b- Wainhomes- article submitted to magazine and Wainhomes informed of action.

17/246 Cornwall Councillor's report to Council

Cllr Egerton reported roadworks completed on Tregony Road, although some issues with the banks collapsing. Cllr Egerton will monitor and Wainhomes to rectify. Cllr Egerton has also received a complaint as due to the road alterations the parking has been reduced.

Probus Exhibition Fund AGM was held and there was a good turn out; the Fund is currently open for applications.

17/247 Police Report .

No report received.

17/248 WW1 A Nation's Tribute- Cllr Champion to report on plan re providing our own Granite Memorial, possible memorial seat and Cllrs Champion & Hull to update on meeting with volunteer researcher.

Cllrs Champion & Hull to chase meeting with volunteer researcher; Cllr Champion has emailed but received no reply.

Cllr Champion to bring measurements of the piece of granite he has sourced to the next meeting.

Proposal by Cllr Sutherland to extend the garden by the notice board and place the granite here, seconded Cllr Hull, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

Cllr Champion suggested a slate plaque with wording and possibly 2 slate plaques either side with poppies.

It was **agreed** to decide on the plaque and a seat at the next meeting.

Clerk to write to Dennis Kessell and David Dyer thanking them for quoting and informing them we have sourced our own granite, and stating we may need a

quote for engraving slate plaques and would they be interested.

- 17/249 Play Area- to review quotes received which include replacing equipment highlighted in the Annual Inspection and commemorative piece for WW1.**
Clerk circulated comparison sheet of the 5 quotes received.
Proposal by Cllr Goldsworthy to look in more detail at the Sutcliffe and Mant Leisure quote, ask about official opening and exact sizes of the Poppy Spinner, seconded Cllr Deards, carried.
The above was duly **resolved**.
- 17/250 Risk Assessments- to note clear assessments for Play Area for November.**
Proposal by Cllr Gillard to note clear risk assessments, seconded Cllr Deards, carried.
The above was duly **resolved**.
- 17/251 Well quotes (if available) and to consider reinstating the pump.**
Clerk reported builders required a spec. so members needed to consider how they would like the Well to look. The remains of the pump have been uncovered and one of the builders stated it is possible to get this working again if members require.
Cllr Deards, Cllr Champion and the Clerk to prepare spec. to try and find an old photograph of the Well, to re-agenda for the next meeting.
- 17/252 Cardiac Arrest Training- to consider and approve assoc. expenditure (if any).**
To defer to next meeting to see if there is any feedback from the magazine.
- 17/253 Speed sign- to consider and approve assoc. expenditure.**
The Chairman stated SWARCO will supply what we require for £3,500, which was the preferred option at the previous meeting.
Proposal by Cllr Gillard to accept the quote, and approve expenditure of £3,500 plus VAT, seconded Cllr Sutherland, unanimous.
The above was duly **resolved**.
- 17/254 Casual Vacancy- article placed in magazine as no requests for an election.**
Clerk reported article is for co-option at the February meeting- noted.
- 17/255 Business Electricity Prices- due to limited use the only option to save is to pay by Direct Debit (to consider).**
Proposal by Cllr Sutherland to switch to Direct Debit, seconded Cllr Deards, carried.
The above was duly **resolved**.
- 17/256 Dog Bin request for Tregony Road (near Tregony View) to consider and approve any assoc. expenditure.**
Discussion took place.
It was **agreed** to monitor.

17/257 MUGA gate- broken and needs re-welding- to consider and approve any assoc. expenditure.

The repair escalated since the despatch of the agenda and was reported dangerous by the inspector, therefore the Clerk authorised repair as deemed as urgent.

Clerk to report vandalism to the police.

17/258 Finance.

- a) To receive the financial statement of accounts for the year to date & to approve payments.

Payments schedule circulated to members totalling £6202.15 for December, monthly forecast sheet circulated.

Proposal by Cllr Sutherland to approve all payments, seconded Cllr Champion, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

- b) To note appointment of External Auditor.

Letter circulated with the agenda- noted.

17/259 Correspondence

- a) Resident basketball court noise-Email circulated with the agenda.

Proposal by Cllr Gillard to reply the terms of the S106, which funded the MUGA, states the facility has to be open 24 hours a day. We would request he contacts the police as the anti-social behaviour is occurring, and to continue to let us know, so we can help identify the culprits, seconded Cllr Deards, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

- b) CALC Newsletter and GDPR Notices – Nov -Noted.

- c) Allen’s Meadow- Letter circulated with the agenda.

Discussion took place.

Cllr Egerton stated there is a risk if this development goes ahead that a developer could come in and change the application.

Proposal by Cllr Gillard to thank them for the letter and note the comments, seconded Cllr Deards, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

- d) Cornwall Council recycling survey-Online survey open until 3rd January.

17/260 Items for the Next Agenda

- Playing Field Car Park

17/261 It was agreed the next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be 15th January 2018 7.30pm in the Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Chairman..... Date.....