

PROBUS PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Probus Parish Council held on Monday 20th June 2016 in the Probus Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Members Present: Cllrs Sutherland, Deards, Blayney, Jones, Rogers, Champion, Dart & Gillard.

16/114 Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs Williams, Russell & Cornwall Cllr Egerton.

16/115 Declarations of Interest Register both pecuniary and non-pecuniary under the Code of Conduct (to declare any changes and interests on agenda items).

Cllrs Sutherland, Blayney & Rogers declared a non-pecuniary interest in Village Hall (committee members).

Cllrs Sutherland & Jones declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Playing Field (committee members).

16/116 Public Participation

No public present.

16/117 To confirm the minutes of the meeting of 16th May 2016.

The minutes of the annual meeting held on 16th May 2016 was declared as correct by Councillor Deards and seconded by Councillor Rogers all agreed; the Vice-Chairman signed them as a correct record.

16/118 Matters Arising

a) None

16/119 To receive the financial statement of accounts for the year to date and approve payments.

Clerk produced outgoings for June 2016 totalling £3585.39.

Proposal by Cllr Dart to approve all payments, seconded Cllr Blayney, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

Appendix 1 signed by Vice-Chairman as a correct record. Monthly budget figures produced with up to date balance and internal control checks up to date.

Urgent financial- Clerk reported inside toilet handle had broken off whilst the toilet cleaner was cleaning, causing him to be locked in. The Vice-Chairman has carried out a repair today but felt it may need a new handle, as it is a security door it will require a specialist handle & lock.

Proposal by Cllr Dart to approve a budget up to £200, and Cllr Jones to take a look and report back to the Clerk what is required, seconded Cllr Gillard, unanimous.

The above was duly **resolved**.

It was reported that SLCC & NALC had agreed a 1% pay rise to the spinal column points for the clerk's salary from 1st April 2016- noted.

16/120 Police report to Council

April report available- 13 crimes in the area although no reported crimes in Probus.

16/121 Cornwall Councillor's report to Council

Apologies received.

16/122 Playing Field- update report.

Cllr Jones attended the meeting, which was also the AGM. All officers were re-elected unopposed. The Committee is having trouble accessing finance due to proposed cheque signatories not able to get together. It was reported there is £2174.09 in the account. Expenses are predominately electric, water and petrol. He stated he was annoyed the agenda was only presented at the meeting and not circulated in advance, so if any research is needed there is no opportunity, he has voiced this to the committee.

Cllr Champion offered to find out who the current cheque signatories are. Cllr Jones will phone Mr Smith to ascertain if they are receiving the bank statements.

Proposal by Cllr Dart an invitation is sent to all the officers of the Playing Field Committee, via Mr Smith, to attend the July Parish Council meeting to enquire if the Parish Council can help them with their issues and as Trustees to ensure they are operating compliantly, seconded Cllr Gillard, unanimous.

The above was duly **resolved**.

16/123 Jubilee Lamp- update and to approve any associated expenditure

Clerk read email from SSE, budget for repair is £1,500, they cannot tell why there is no power to the lamp until excavation, at which stage if it is proved the fault is due to Cormac the Parish Council can then take this up with them.

Discussion took place.

Proposal by Cllr Jones to accept the quote from SSE and request proof if the breakage is near the bus shelter, seconded Cllr Dart, unanimous.

The above was duly **resolved**.

16/124 Dead tree- Bosnoweth.

Cllr Champion stated this would be removed soon.

16/125 Footpath on The Green- request for signage.

Resident has requested warning signs are erected to alert drivers to children playing. The footpath is used by drivers as a cut through, although it is rutted. Discussion took place.

Proposal by Cllr Dart that the Parish Council view this as a private matter, although residents can put up their own signs if required, seconded Cllr Gillard,

unanimous.

The above was duly **resolved**.

16/126 Water Pumps- update.

Clerk reported the original company which we were in correspondence with has failed to respond to repeated emails, therefore she has contacted Iron Brothers in Wadebridge. They have stated that if the top of the complete water pump could be removed and it is the correct size they can probably use this as a mould for a new top, although they will need to see it.

Cllr Champion volunteered to remove the top and see if it fits broken water pump and if so drop it to Wadebridge.

16/127 Community Network Meeting- report

Cllr Gillard attended the meeting, he reported it was mainly taken with a presentation from the planning team regarding changes to the NPPF.

Local Devolution Fund deadline is 11th July if there are any projects we require funding for.

Training workshops were mentioned; Clerk is not aware of any recently.

16/128 Bus Shelter- update.

The bus shelter was due to be installed on 14th June but the installer was ill, still waiting for rescheduled installation date.

16/129 Trelawney Garden Centre- update.

Mr Danning has responded he needs to count bats until the end of September but he will contact the Parish Council when the planning application is ready.

16/130 Inter-school Link- update.

Cllr Jones has visited Probus School and met with the head teacher; he felt she was very focused and stated she had come from a school of excellence. Mrs McNamara is a trouble shooter and will be there for 12 months. She would like to come to a meeting to let the Parish Council know her plans. Cllr Jones felt a school governor should be on the Parish Council.

The issue of parking was raised at the meeting, and the police have been informed.

Mrs McNamara would like to transform the donated field into a community asset.

Proposal by Cllr Jones to invite Mrs McNamara to the September Parish Council meeting, seconded Cllr Gillard, unanimous.

The above was duly **resolved**.

Cllr Blayney stated the Village Hall Committee has agreed in principle, but still needs to be taken to a meeting, that the School can use the Village Hall in an emergency.

16/131 CCTV at Village Hall

Resident stated due to someone falling over in the car park CCTV was needed for Health & Safety.

Discussion took place regarding vandalism at the Village Hall and whether investing in CCTV was required.
Proposal by Cllr Sutherland the Parish Council does not fund CCTV at the Village Hall, seconded Cllr Champion, unanimous.
The above was duly **resolved**.

- 16/132 Blue Cedar Homes- retirement homes info** – update from Cllr Gillard.
Written report circulated, full report available on file.
Recommendation: not to invite Blue Cedar Homes for a presentation.
Proposal by Cllr Gillard to approve the recommendation, seconded Cllr Deards, unanimous.
The above was duly **resolved**.

- 16/133 Quotes, Contracts & Tendering course –report Cllr Jones.**
Cllr Jones reported he attended the training in Saltash with the Clerk, which was very interesting. Cllr Jones stated he felt we do everything correctly, although tenders, when considered by Council need to be anonymous and scored individually by Cllrs, the scores are based on value for money.

- 16/134 Ash Trees- to consider areas that could potentially be planted.**
Cllr Blayney reported he had been approached by a resident in Rosparc who has been growing ash trees to plant on the hedge with Trelawney. As Trelawney are not ready to take them he has asked whether there is anywhere suitable in the Parish.
Discussion took place; suggested location is Ladock Cricket Club as there is nowhere in the Parish.

- 22/135 To seal Exclusive Right of Burial.**
Proposal by Cllr Rogers to seal ERB 24, seconded Cllr Dart, unanimous.
The above was duly **resolved**.

- 16/136 Correspondence**
- a. A39 Cycleway survey
Proposal by Cllr Dart to support their campaign in principle, seconded Cllr Deards, unanimous.
The above was duly **resolved**.
 - b. Local Devolution Fund- covered under CNM 16/127.
 - c. CALC Newsletter- noted.
 - d. Camborne Town Council re devolution of rugby pitch.
Members to sign petition individually if they choose to.

- 16/137 Items for the Next Agenda**
- Village Hall.
 - Playing Field.
 - Jubilee Lamp
 - Inter-school link
 - Trees overhanging in path from Church View Road to Tregony Road.

- Grass verges.

16/138 It was agreed the next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be 18th July 2016 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

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