

LANDRAKE with ST ERNEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Geffery Memorial Hall, Landrake on Tuesday 6th January 2015 at 7.00 pm.

Present – Mr G Knowles, Chairman

Miss P Barton, Mrs H Cartledge-Claus, Mrs M Cornfield,
Messrs M Gingell, M J Tamblyn and Dr S Walker.

Mr C Wilton, Parliamentary Assistant to Sheryll Murray MP.

OPEN FORUM

There were no items raised for discussion under this heading.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Mr N Owen, Mrs R Savery and Mr M Webster.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 18th November 2014 having been circulated were taken as read, approved as a correct record and authorised to be signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Recreation Field

The Chairman reported that there was one person interested in becoming a member of the Recreation Field Committee and this matter was being pursued as it was hoped to form a new committee in the Spring. It was agreed that an item in 'Crosstalk' may encourage potential new members to the Committee.

Mrs C Totman had offered to pick up the rubbish in the Recreation field and to dispose of it as necessary, and this offer was appreciated by the meeting.

The Clerk reported that a representative of Viridor had recently inspected the Recreation field and found it to be acceptable and to have met their conditions in respect of the grant funding that they had provided.

3.2 Sir Robert Geffery Memorial Hall

The Chairman reported that the switching on of the Christmas tree lights and the social event with it on the 6th December was successful and whilst there was not a lot of money made from the event it was considered worthwhile.

It was noted that the next village event in the Hall would be a Valentine's Dinner and Dance on the 14th February 2015. Arrangements are also being made for a First World War weekend event in the Hall in March. It is hoped that further events in the Hall would help to get the residents of the village more involved in the community.

3.3 Village Playground and Bus Shelters

The Chairman reported that the meeting is yet to be held with Mrs H Cartledge-Claus and Mr M Gingell to consider the work that is necessary on the fence to the side of the playground, the playground safety matting and to look for sources of grant funding, but it was noted that this would be dealt with shortly.

The Clerk reported that both bus shelters on the A38 are now to be replaced with a modern version which as previously noted will be lit during the hours of darkness and will have Real Time Passenger Information. It was noted that this work will be carried before the end of March 2015.

3.4 Village Street cleaning

It was noted that all street cleaning work in the village is up to date.

3.5 Playground Maintenance and Inspection

The Clerk reported that a booking had been made for Paul Lamerton to attend a Playground Inspection training course to be held at Exeter on 10th March 2015.

4. FINANCE

4.1 Income

None

4.2 Expenditure

P Lamerton – Village Maintenance	£197.76
R Udy – Playground Grass cutting 2014	£240.00
I Biffen – Timber for Finger post signs	£77.76
I Biffen – Clerks Salary to December 2014	£1,050.16

H M Revenue – PAYE to December 2014	£5.60
R Manning – Village Maintenance 2014	£364.00
M J Tamblyn – Village Christmas tree	£50.00

The above accounts were approved for payment.

4.3 Other Financial Business

None

5. PLANNING

5.1 Planning Applications

PA14/11599 – Mr & Mrs A Walker – Proposed barn conversion, extension and internal alterations at Lantallack Farm, Landrake

Observations – No objections to the proposed conversion as detailed on the planning application. It has been noted in the Design and Access Statement that the applicants would seek to apply a covenant to the site to prohibit any future occupier of the main site from using it as a function venue which is taken to include a wedding business. If this is the case then such a commitment should be reflected in a binding planning agreement.

PA14/12212 – Mr D Beer – Application for Certificate of Lawful Development for an existing use namely continued use as dwelling house, Notter Stable, Notter, Saltash

Observations – It was noted from the details submitted by the applicant that this application will be approved and following discussion it was agreed to make the point to Cornwall Council that this Council considers that they have not done their job properly given the history of the site, and previous discussions and correspondence which clearly indicated that approval would not be granted.

5.2 Planning Decisions

PA14/10276 - Natural Generation - Wisewandra Farm, Tideford, Saltash, Cornwall, PL12 5JA. Construction of 250kW solar photovoltaic array and ancillary works.

Approved

PA14/10981 - Cornwall Community Land Trust Ltd - Land off West Lane, Landrake, Saltash, Cornwall. Non material amendment for proposed site and finished floor levels lowered, minor repositioning to amend the exact position of the proposed dwellings and provision of access path to rear of proposed dwelling no: 5 in relation to E2/08/00301/FUL: Construction of seven affordable dwellings including new vehicular and pedestrian access to highway and the provision of a new footpath.

Approved

5.3 Planning Correspondence and Reports

5.3.1 Update on Enforcement Cases

A brief report was given in respect of the current situation regarding enforcement action at Meldon Park.

A report is still awaited concerning the number of caravans at Coombe Lynher which is being investigated by Cornwall Council Enforcement Office.

5.3.2 Mera Park, Landrake

It was noted that there is nothing to report on this matter at the present time.

5.3.3 Neighbourhood Development Plan

Dr S Walker reported that the 'Emerging Themes' of the Neighbourhood Development Plan were now available on the website and an event has been arranged in the Geffery Hall on Friday 23rd January 2015 when details will be available on the progress to date of the Plan. Fliers will be distributed throughout the village and this event will be attended by Sheryll Murray MP and representatives of Cornwall Council and the Cornwall Rural Community Council.

Following this event a start will be made on writing up the final plan which should then result in a referendum being held possibly in the Summer of 2015.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Bus Service

Mrs H Cartledge-Claus commented on the much improved bus service which, in this area, has been taken over by Plymouth City Bus.

6.2 Sir Robert Geffery School

Mrs H Cartledge-Claus asked for it to be recorded in the Minutes that the KS2 pupils at the School had performed a tribute before Christmas to all those who perished in the First World War and it had been an excellent performance by all involved.

6.3 Footpath – School Road to Highertown

Mr M Gingell stated that there was a need for a reflective strip across the whole width of the steps at the top of the footpath from School Road to Highertown and the Chairman stated that he would arrange for Paul Lamerton to carry out this work.

6.4 Footpath – School Road to Highertown

Miss P Barton reported that there a mound of tar waste blocking the gateway to a field on the old road leading up to the sewage works at the bottom of the hill at Notter.

The Clerk was instructed to deal with this matter as necessary.

7. NEW CORRESPONDENCE AND BUSINESS

7.1 CORMAC – Weed Treatment 2014/15

The Clerk presented details of a herbicide weed treatment contract that was being offered by CORMAC for the 2015 season which would provide two treatments during the year on all streets within the village as detailed on an accompanying map, and at a total cost of £376.80 plus VAT.

Following consideration it was agreed to accept this quotation as it was noted that Cornwall Council will no longer carry out weed treatment, but to delete Paragraph 2.7 where it stated that the Contractor would not accept liability for the effectiveness of the herbicide product as it was considered that this was not acceptable to the Parish Council.

7.2 Cornwall Council – Proposed diversion of footpath at Blunts Car Park

Mr M Tamblyn spoke on this matter and stated that the car park in Blunts village was a necessity and benefit to the community and it was thought that Cornwall Council had been approached by a developer who was looking to buy the site but to ensure that the footpath that currently runs diagonally across the car park could be diverted to the sides.

It was also noted that the land had been given to Blunts village many years ago for the use of the community.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk would speak to Mr J Blatchford who is a member of Quethiock Parish Council and a resident of Blunts to see what the Parish Council could do to offer their support in opposing this request as it appears to have been put forward without due consideration and justification.

7.3 Cornwall Council – Consultation on car parking order

The Clerk reported receipt of information relating to a consultation on car parking orders which will run until 30th January 2015 with the intention that a new Order will come into effect in mid March 2015.

8. NEWSLETTERS AND REPORTS

- 8.1 Saltash Area Road Safety Committee – Agenda for meeting 12th January 2015 and Minutes of meeting 13th October 2014

9. DATES OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 17th February 2015

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There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

G L Knowles
Chairman, Landrake with St Erney Parish Council

17th February 2015