

**Peter Tavy Parish Council**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8 August 2018 at 7:30pm in the Chapel meeting Room**

Councillors Present:- Mr H White, Mr B Lane, Mr K Ball, Mr E Dodd, Mr J Jeffery, Mrs V Abel

Cllr T Pearce (WDBC) and Mr R Walker (member of the public)

**Public Interest**

Mr R Walker brought to the Council's attention the fact that the green waste collections have been missed from Coombe Cottages on at least 3 occasions. The reasons given for the waste not being collected were given as the hedge being overgrown thus making the roadway too narrow, the hedges were cut back but still the waste has not been collected. In order to make it simpler for the waste to be collected the inhabitants of Coombe Cottages even moved the waste down the hill into a large gateway the waste was still not collected. Mr Walker at this point emailed to WDBC to complain but was given the information that the collection had not made due to a car blocking the road, this is disputed by Mr Walker. The net reason for the non-collection has been given as the fact that the edge of the roadway is collapsing. A member of Highways has been on site.

Cllr Pearce is to raise this issue with the Council.

Clerk to take photographs and report the road problems with a view to an on site meeting.

**1: Apologies for absence**

Mr D Chanter

**2: Declarations of interest**

Cllr Jeffery declared an interest in Church Cottages.

**3: Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising**

Minutes were agreed and signed after amendment re 'repaired' rather than 'repaid' in item 8 and the deletion of 'assumed' in the financial report

**4: Reports from Outside Bodies**

The Peter Tavy Hydro Scheme Dissolution and Legacy. Cllr White reported that the hydro scheme has come to the end of their remit. They had spent the grant monies received on a feasibility study and financial model to see if the community sluice was valid. The scheme effectively stalled two years ago when Govt grants were reduced. The Scheme needs to be officially dissolved due to public monies being granted to it. The feasibility study could still be of use if the Govt grant situation changes therefore it was suggested that the paperwork should be held by the Parish Council possibly being added to the Parish Website. The committee were thanked for their work on this project.

It was proposed by Cllr Ball and seconded by Cllr Lane.

TAP Funding-Cllr Lane stated that there was TAP Funding available if the project was for the benefit of at least two parishes. It was suggested that the clerk contact Brentor Parish Council to suggest that they forward a proposal for funding 'For the enhancement of the existing playground facilities in the parish'

When we have received a response then a sub committee is to be created consisting of Cllr Ball, Cllr Lane, Cllr Pearce and Clerk

#### **5: Correspondence**

Battles Over- A short discussion was held regarding the proposed celebration of the centenary of the Armistice. Clerk is to contact Church, Chapel and Village Hall to ask what, if anything, they are planning and to liaise on any project. Timings for the Beacon etc are set out in the email received.

It was suggested that the Beacon be lit on Cox Tor Hill which has better road access.

War Memorial- A quote for £600 has been received from E Pascoe and Son for the cleaning and re lettering. It was proposed by Cllr Ball and seconded by Cllr Jeffery that the quote be accepted. All in favour

#### **6: Church Cottages**

South West Heating and P Elbow are to be contacted regarding pending work on the heating and extractor fan to bathroom respectively.

Hornets are infesting the loft space of No 1 Church Cottages. Clerk to inform WDBC Pest Control.

The damson tree in the garden has died, Cllr Jeffery has agreed to cut this down.

Clerk to get quotes from general builders re the chimney and gable wall.

#### **7: Mill Pond**

The pond is full and has been used.

#### **8: Playing Field**

The beam has been replaced and painted with a rubberised sealant. The swing has been re-rope and the spider has been repaired

#### **9: Bus Shelter**

Still to be cleaned

#### **10: Parish Emergency Plan**

All in place

### **11: Highways**

There has been a further accident at Peter Tavy Cross on the A386 with a car waiting to turn in to the village being hit from behind. Police and ambulance were called but luckily no injuries. A parishioner questioned the police on site to ask whether or not this accident would actually be recorded in their figures and was assured that it would be.

Cllr Pearce then shared a near miss situation that he had been in recently.

Clerk is to formally contact Highways to ask for a site meeting to be attended by Councillors and Cllr Pearce on behalf of WDBC.

Cllr Dodd commented on the size of the chippings that had been surface dressed on the road past his farm he stated that the sweeper had been out at least twice.

### **12: Planning**

Cllrs White, Ball and Lane attended Will farm regarding the proposed barn. They reported that the barn appeared to be well sited, well planned and would improve the farming ability. The only caveat raised by Cllr White was the issue of a gap in the trees which would stop the full screening of the barn from White Tor.

Proposed that the Council support the application by Cllr Ball seconded by Cllr Lane- all in favour.

The above Councillors also attended the former garage site to discuss the proposed amended plans for the new dwelling, the amendment being that the former proposed use of block and lime mortar be dropped and now the building was to be random stone at ground floor level with hung slate from first floor level.

It was proposed that this be supported by Cllr Ball seconded by Cllr Jeffery- all in favour

### **13: Defibrillator**

It was noted that the defibrillator had recently been taken to the pub but not used. It is proposed that a second set of pads be sourced, this will mean that we have two sets with a difference in 'shelf life' of 6 months.

Proposed by Cllr Lane seconded by Cllr White all in favour.

Clerk to provide better signage re the positioning of the defibrillator by having signs in the bus shelter and on the panelling outside the gent's toilets in the Village Hall. It was also suggested that a sign be provided for the pub.

**14:Finance**

**Precept Account (end of July)** £ 18,321.31

**Outgoings**

Clerks Expenses	
Use of Home as office (July)	£ 27.50
Salary (July)	£ 226.63
PAYE not payable last month refund	£ 45.20
Paper	<u>£ 3.00</u>
Printer Ink	<u>£104.98</u>
Total	<b><u>£ 404.31</u></b>

**Incomings**

Church Cottages Admin	£26.66
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**Balance of Account (exc Lsman)  
(End of July)** **£ 16,988.06**

**Lengthsman Money Held (Emergency)** **£ 925.76**

**Church Cottages (end of July))** £15,164.90

**Outgoings**

Precept Account	£ 26.66
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**Incomings**

1 Church Cottages Rent	£ 349.00
2 Church Cottages Rent	£ 309.00

**Balance of account (End of August))** **£ 15,796.24**

**15:AOB**

CLlr White queried whether the fact that the Parish Council was unable to field a team for the petanque competition held during Carnival Week was conveyed to the organisers, Clerk confirmed that she had phoned and left a voicemail message as soon as it was realised that the Council would not be able to take part.

Clerk is still to price up a laptop.

Meeting closed at 8:35