

PETER TAVY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9th November 2016 in The Chapel Room

Councillors present: Mr E Dodd (late), Mr D Chanter, Mrs N Litwinska, Mr J Jeffery, Mr B Lane, and Cllr T Pearce (WDBC).

Absent: Mr K Ball, Mrs V Abel

Also Present: Mr V Nail & Mr & Mrs Mortimer members of the public.

The Chairman opened public time. Mr V Nail attended the meeting to discuss flood prevention. He proposed that the Council decide on a village plan to prevent future flooding as the potential for it to happen again is high. Cllr Chanter suggested that a public meeting be arranged for all parishoners to attend including the DNP and the Environment Agency. Cllr Lane is going to try to obtain funds from the TAP fund to help with the parish plan.

Mr & Mrs Mortimer expressed their concern over the revised plan for the Old Garage site. A contemporary design, property height and flood issues were all mentioned. The Council were in agreement that the proposed plan was not suitable for the site.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm.

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
Mr K Ball & Mrs V Abel.
- 2. Declarations of interest.**
Cllr Jeffery declared an interest in Church Cottages and Finance.
- 3. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th October 2016.**
Cllr Lane stated that in section 14 the word telephone should be change with telecommunications (in reference to the telephone box).
After these amendments the Minutes were agreed and accepted as an accurate record and signed by the acting Chairman.
- 4. Matters arising from the Minutes.**
None.
- 5. Correspondence.**
The correspondence was circulated prior to the meeting. Items were discussed as follows:
Devon Highways – Cllr Lane will be accepting the invitation to attend the parish and town council conference.
- 6. Reports from outside bodies.**
None.
- 7. Church Cottages.**
The Council asked the Clerk to write a letter to Mr Malloy again stating the terms of his rental contract and to give him 3 months to set up a standing order.

- 8. Mill Pond.**
Cllr Dodd stated that the Mill Pond has too much water in it and needs alterations further up to rectify the issue.
- 9. Playing Field.**
Came & Co confirmed that fortnightly inspections of the playground would be sufficient. The Council asked the Clerk to get another quote for a playground assessor.
- 10. Parish Emergency Plan.**
Although Cllr Abel was absent it was mentioned that she had asked parishoners to volunteer to help with the parish emergency plan.
- 11. Highways.**
Councillors expressed their concern over the amount of leaves in the village that could potentially block drains and cause issues for the village. Cllr Pearce agreed to contact WDBC to arrange a visit from the leaf sweeper.
Cllr Dodd expressed that Bus Corner on the junction of the A386 is still creating issues for drivers especially now that the hedge is overgrown causing limited visibility. The Clerk is to contact Highways to report the issue.
- 12. Planning.**
0552/16 Erection of first floor extension over garage and ground floor extension to garage and porch at Oak Cottage. The planning committee decided not to support the application.
- 13. Finance.**
The Clerks salary was discussed briefly however Cllr Lane wanted further information on the date of the last pay rise.
The Clerk circulated the summaries of both accounts and the cheques for payment were agreed as follows:
£18.50 Bill Lane – poppy wreath
£476.75 Jim Jeffery - Lengthsman
£48.00 The Parishes of Tavistock – Piper publication
£270.00 Grant Thornton – annual return fee
£9.40 HMRC – C.McDowall tax
£194.98 Mrs McDowall - Salary for October
£27.50 Mrs McDowall – Expenses
- 14. Any additional business.**
A letter was received from David Dodd regarding reinstating the parish Christmas party for the village children. Cllr Chanter proposed to support the idea, agreed by all. £150.00 was agreed to be donated to the cause.
Cllr Lane has made observations and commented on the Dartmoor National Plan.
Cllr Dodd stated that the Lengthsman needs to rod the stream to clear it.
The printing of the Piper was discussed and it was agreed by all that payment was to be made quarterly and reviewed annually.

The meeting was closed at 9.10pm

Signed:

Dated: