

Peter Tavy Parish Council – APPROVED
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 13th April 2022 7:30pm at the Chapel Meeting Room

Present: Cllr. J. Jeffery, Cllr. A. Barton, Cllr. E. Dodd, Cllr. K. Ball, Cllr. P. Randall & Cllr. M. Stephens

Others Present: The Clerk and Mrs. R. Myott

1: Apologies for absence

Cllr. T. Pearce (W.D.B.C)

2: Declarations of Interest

No.1 Church Cottages - Cllr. J. Jeffery

3: Approval of previous Minutes & matters arising

The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9th March 2022 were approved to be a true and accurate record.

Proposed by Cllr. P. Randall seconded by Cllr. A. Barton, all in favour & signed as a true record by Cllr. J. Jeffery.

Matters arising not covered by the following Agenda (None).

4: Reports from outside Bodies

None.

5: Correspondence

An email had been received from Mr. R. Taylor (D.N.P) offering to attend a Parish Council Meeting in the future. The Clerk was asked to invite him along to our AGM on Wednesday 11th May 2022.

A letter from the planning department of D.N.P had been received stating that due to covid Planning Applications and appointments with planning officers will be delayed. The Clerk was asked to find out if this is temporary and when they expect to catch up.

Candidates for the DNP elections had been sent a Mr. Richard Glanville and Mr. Mark Williams the choice from Peter Tavy Parish Council was Mark Williams proposed Cllr. J. Jeffery, seconded Cllr. M. Stephens all in favour

6: Covid-19

This item was passed over as it should have been removed from this Agenda now that restrictions in England have been lifted. It was noted that the rates are still very high.

7: Mill Pond

The water level is now empty. The clear up should take place sometime in May.

8: Playing Field

The rotten wood elements of the play equipment have now been dismantled and The Chairman expressed thanks to all of the Councillors who made up the working party to get this done.

Sutcliffe Play are the preferred quote at £10,850.00 plus VAT. This is because they use galvanised steel that has a powder coating. They give a guarantee of 25 years. A recommendation had been received from the former Clerk of Princetown PC for the quality of their play equipment and after sales service.

It was agreed to instruct Sutcliffe Play to go ahead – Proposed Cllr. A. Barton seconded by Cllr. E. Dodd all in favour.

Regarding the funding of the replacement of play equipment a grant from W.D.B.C has been applied for and another is going to be applied for by the Clerk from Cllr. P. Sanders (Devon County Council) Localities Budget. The remainder will be met by the Parish Council.

9: Highways

There are deep pot holes on the road near to Coppythornes. These have been reported once but will be mentioned again to the new Neighbourhood Highways Officer once they have taken office after the 20th April.

The Clerk was asked to contact the new N.H.O once in office to arrange a site meeting so that all the highways issues in the Parish can be discussed and prioritised, including the willow tree growing from Harford Bridge which will cause damage if left to grow there.

The gate at Lower Mill has been removed and Cllr. K. Ball expressed that this should now be the end of the matter as far as the Parish Council were concern.

The dropped drain outside of Spring House (belonging to SWW) has been reported.

The broken gate on the bridlepath from the Coombe to Southditch has been reported to DNP.

10: Planning

The application at The Oaks for change of use of land has been supported by the Parish Council.

The planning appeal by Gatehouse Mill needs no further comments from the Parish Council and the original comments on the application stand.

11: Church Cottages

Quotes are now in for new carpets, kitchen floor covering and screeding of the kitchen area.

Cllr. E. Dodd said that in the past Tenants have bought their own floor coverings and these had not been supplied by the Parish Council. It was discussed that the Council should hold off getting new flooring for the time being.

Messrs. A.C. Worth Builders have quoted for the decorating (light or white paint) and repairs and the Clerk was asked to go ahead and tell them to carry out the works and to also get them to give a price to screed the kitchen floor. Proposed Cllr. A. Barton seconded Cllr. E. Dodd all in favour.

Gemma Cole had quoted for the cleaning of No.2 Church Cottages and it was agreed to instruct her. Proposed Cllr. E. Dodd seconded Cllr. A. Barton all in favour.

Charlie Nankivell has been and cut the grass to tidy it up at No.2 Church Cottages.

The Clerk reported that so far there had been 4 local people who had registered an interest in renting the Cottage.

12: The Queen's Jubilee Beacon etc.

The Clerk was asked to find out timings for the beacon fire to be lit. The Clerk will also chase samples of the jubilee mugs

The boundary stone marked with PT & MT will be laid at Hillbridge after the bounds have been beaten. The Clerk will find the previous risk assessments for the bounds walks.

Cllr. P. Randall is providing a tree to be planted up near the bench and horse-chestnut tree but it will need protection when it first gets planted.

13: Finance

A report was given as to the bank balances up to date as follows

PRECEPT ACCOUNT - £21,537.83

CHURCH COTTAGES ACCOUNT - £25,599.81

It was agreed to pay the outgoings from the precept account of

Clerks Salary £345.00 & use of home office £26.00

WDBC green recycling subscription £80.00

Tinhay Building Supplies – ply board for play park £16.72

Devon Association of Local Councils – subscription £67.82

It was agreed to pay the outgoings from the church cottages account of

Admin fee to the precept account £26.66

EDF – electricity for no.2 Church Cotts £361.84

Mac Vac – chimney sweep no.2 £65.00

Sparling – Skip hire £222.60

Proposed Cllr. M. Stephens, seconded Cllr. K. Ball all in favour

14. Any Other Business

There have been two people who have expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council, Ruth Myott and Natasha Litwiska and the co-option needs to be put on the Agenda for next time before the AGM giving both candidates time to speak.

In the recent edition of the Peter Tavy Piper a piece was placed asking for people to register their interest in faster broadband. A decision as to how to proceed will happen at the next PC meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.51 hrs.

Signed

Dated