

# ST VEEP PARISH COUNCIL.

## **Minutes of Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2011, in the Memorial Hall, Lerryn, at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present,** *Councillor's J Halkes, D St John, R Briggs and S Eddy. M Tubb (clerk), G Shakerley ( Cornwall Councillor), PCSO Tom Barnes and one member of the public.*

- 1. Apologies** *were received from Cllr P Philp (On Holiday) and Capt Tim Jones (Fowey Harbour Commissioners).  
Members stood in a minute's silence to remember Cllr K Hoskin and ex Cllr L Turpie who had both passed away since our last meeting.*
- 2. Declaration of Members Interest.**  
*Cllr Briggs declared a personal interest in item 8.2 on the agenda, being a near neighbour.*
- 3. To consider the position of Chairman and Vice Chairman for the Remainder of 2011/2012.**  
*Members discussed the vacant position of chairman and it was;  
**0182 Resolved** that Cllr Halkes be appointed Chairman for the remainder of the year.  
Proposed by Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr St John and unanimously agreed.  
**0183 Resolved** that Cllr St John be appointed as Vice Chairman for the remainder of the year.  
Proposed by Cllr Eddy, seconded by Cllr Halkes and unanimously agreed.*
- 4. To approve the minutes of meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2011.**  
***0184 Resolved** that the minutes be accepted and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.  
Proposed by Cllr St John, seconded by Cllr Briggs, resolution carried.*
- 5. Matters Arising.**  
*The clerk reported that he had received confirmation from Mr David Moore (Conservation Officer) that Lowertown Bridge was defiantly listed. He also reported that new way markers had been erected at the western end of Tivoli Park, (footpath 12) also, the path had been widened at the point where it was extremely close to the bank. Dave Wood the countryside officer had also served notice on the owners of "Polpreave" Cliff that their stile was in need of repair. Mr Wood had also installed a new sign at Manely Flemming (footpath 10) and a Byway sign at the Village end of Byway 18.  
It was also noted that the weeding work at Lerryn Bridge had been done along with some of the potholes in Couches Mill Lane. Members felt that the potholes had not been filled properly and asked the clerk to contact Cornwall Highways to that effect.  
The clerk reported that he had written to BT and Western Power re overhead lines and received no reply to date.*
- 6. Reports from Outside Authorities.**  
*Devon & Cornwall Police. PCSO Tom Barnes reported that there were no crimes reported in the parish in August or to date in September. During the same period there had been 56crimes reported in the Looe Police area compared to 85 for the same period last year.*

Cornwall Council. Cllr Shakerley reported that the Lerryn Speed limit was now in the pipeline and he was hopeful this would soon come to fruition. He also said that Cllr John Pegg (Lostwithiel Town Council) would be discussing the Lostwithiel Flood management plan on the 17<sup>th</sup> November and suggested that this might be of interest to this council. Members then discussed with Cllr Shakerley the implications of the localism bill and the proposed new planning controls.

Fowey Harbour Commissioners. The clerk gave Capt Jones apologies due to the short notice of the meeting.

The Memorial Hall. Cllr St John reported that the new kitchen had now been completed, with new floor cabinets and professional equipment. The official opening would be on the 18<sup>th</sup> September at 12.00 noon.

Lerryn Area Minibus. Cllr St John reported that they would be taking delivery of a new bus from Gorran this month, it is second hand and cost £20000.00 + VAT.

Lerryn School. Cllr Halkes reported that term started on 6<sup>th</sup> September with 36 pupils on the roll. Major internal alterations and improvements were carried out to the building over the school holidays. The Harvest Festival service will be held at St Veep Church on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.30 p.m.

The Red Store. Members congratulated the Red Store CIC on its recent newsletter.

#### **7. Public Participation.**

There were a number of issues raised, these being the latest planning application for "Penn Cottage". Members will take on board the comments when discussing the application later. The poor quality of road repairs being carried out by Cornwall Highways; clerk to write to Cornwall Highways. It was hoped that the Fowey Harbour Master would attend meetings when possible.

The subject of some second home owners not putting out refuse for collection on the correct day was raised, as a number of bags were being broken open by dogs or vermin and the contents spread around the village. Members agreed to endeavour to identify all the second homes and a letter be sent requesting owners support in this matter.

#### **8. Planning Applications.**

Application No: PA11/01712. Conversion of redundant barn to residential dwelling at "Trevollard" Penpol, Lerryn.

Application No: PA11/05737. Construction of outbuilding as dwelling and garage, land adjacent to "Penn Cottage", Lerryn.

**0185 Resolved that a decision on both applications be deferred to a special meeting, to be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2011. at 4.00p.m. When members will have visited both sites.**

Proposed by Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr St John, resolution carried.

The state of the land at "The Boathouse", Lowertown, was raised and agreed that further discussion should take place at the next meeting.

**9. Planning Results.** The clerk said that we have not received any decision Notices for some time but according to a weekly list that is emailed each week, Application PA11/04831 for a garden equipment store and woodshed at "Prinzey" Cliff, has been approved.

#### **10. Finance, to approve the following cheques,**

Cheque No: 628 for £34.61 to EDF for car park light.

Cheque No: 629 for £166.66 to the clerk for August/ September salary.

Cheque No 630 for £20.00 to The Memorial Hall for room hire.

**0186 Resolved that cheque No's; 628, 629 7630 be drawn**

*Proposed by Cllr St John, seconded by Cllr Eddy, resolution carried.  
To consider request from St Veep PCC for grant towards repair of churchyard wall.*

**0187 Resolved to make a grant of £500.00 towards the repair of the churchyard wall and cheque No: 631 be drawn to that effect. The PCC be requested to furnish the parish council with a copy of their most recent accounts, together with list of other grant funders. These being required for audit purposes.**

*Proposed by Cllr Eddy, seconded by Cllr St John, resolution carried.*

*10.5. To receive external auditors comments on annual returns for 2011.*

*There were no items of concern to bring to the council's attention.*

#### **11. Correspondence & Circulars.**

*All items of correspondence were presented to members in the folder and accepted.*

#### **12. Public Convenience update.**

*The Chairman reported on the meeting held between members of this Council and two members from Cornwall Council, which indicated that Cornwall Council were looking to cut the cost of providing public toilets from £3m to £1.4m by 2013/14, this could only be achieved by closing non-important toilets or getting local councils/organisations to take them over. Cornwall Councils current running cost for Lerryn toilets is £6273 per year. If the Parish Council were to take over the toilets Cornwall Council would give a grant of 50% of the current running cost for a period of 3 years.*

*Members felt that running the service locally could reduce these costs. It was agreed to hold a joint meeting with St Winnow parish council to consider running the toilets jointly, when we have received confirmation on ownership of building*

#### **Parking and Highway Issues.**

*Lerryn Car Park. Nothing further to report.*

*Ice & Snow Plan. The chairman had completed draft 4 of the plan, which had been sent to Lostwithiel & Lanteglos, awaiting their replies.*

*Lerryn Speed Limit. Is now moving forward with Cllr Shakerley submitting a Local Member Scheme Request to the Regional Engineers for a 20 mph limit across the village.*

#### **13. Parish Plan Update.** *Cllr Briggs reported that progress was being made with*

*The questionnaires, he also said that Parish Plans would play a greater part in decision making with the introduction of the Localism Bill.*

#### **14. Council Vacancy.** *The clerk said he had discussed the vacancy with the Electoral Dept and it would be most suitable to them if we put out the first advertisement on the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2011. Members were agreeable with that.*

#### **15. Tree Report, Mill Corner.**

*The clerk had circulated members with the County Foresters report prior to the meeting, it was;*

**0188 Resolved that we seek quotes from 3 specialists in tree surgery, asking them to quote for (A) the work to be carried out in 6 months. (B) the work to be carried out in 1 to 2 years. (C) work to be carried out in 5 years. (D) to carry out all the work in one visit.**

*Proposed by Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Eddy, resolution carried.*

*The clerk said that he was aware of 2 firms that had done work in the area, these being, Lyner Vally Tree Surgeons and Jason Bellenger Tree Surgery. Cllr St John said he could recommend Derek Heyward Tree Services. It was agreed to ask then to quote.*

- 16. Date & Venue of next meeting.** *There would be a special meeting on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2011 at 4.00 p.m. at The Red Store, when there would be a limited agenda.*

**17. Any Other Business.**

*Cllr Briggs asked that when writing to Cornwall Highways about the quality of road works in the area, we also mention the grass growing through the new surfacing at Penpol.*

*It was suggested that the council should place some form of memorial in the village, in memory of Cllr Hoskin. It was agreed that a public seat, suitably inscribed would be most fitting. The clerk was asked to write to Margaret and the family expressing the council's condolences and asking if they would support such a memorial.*

*There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.*