

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF STITHIANS PARISH COUNCIL
CONDUCTED ON-LINE BY 'ZOOM' ON
WEDNESDAY 9th DECEMBER 2020 COMMENCING AT 7.00pm

ATTENDANCE

Present were Cllr P Blease (Chairman), Cllr Mrs J Thomas, Cllr Mrs C Sylvester, Cllr A Bunclark, Cllr M Whitbread-Jordan, Cllr H Jones (from point mentioned), Cllr W Thomas, Cllr S Watt, Cllr R Iles, Cllr Ms H Downing, Cllr Mrs S Maskelyne and the Clerk.

Members of the Public present were Mr I Loades, Mr J Colgate and Mr P Green.

1. APOLOGIES
There were no apologies.
2. URGENT ITEMS
The Clerk advised that there were no urgent items but reminded Members of a late item – 8.3 (f).
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION
 - 3.1 There were no declarations of interest.
 - 3.2 The Clerk advised that he had had no written requests for dispensation to speak at the meeting.
- 4.1 MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 2020 COUNCIL MEETING
 - 4.1.1 The Clerk advised that he was not aware of any suggested amendments to the Draft Minutes circulated prior to the meeting.
 - 4.1.2 **RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17th November 2020 as a true record of the proceedings.**
Proposed by Cllr Mrs J Thomas, seconded by Cllr Watt and carried unanimously.
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The Chairman will sign the minutes as a true record of the proceedings when the opportunity arises.
5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 2020 COUNCIL MEETING NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA
 - 5.1 The Clerk advised that the application for funding from the Ireland Funds Great Britain for playing field development had been unsuccessful.
The Chairman closed the meeting at this point at 19.07 to allow Public Participation.
6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
 - 6.1 John Colgate advised that he had no comment.
 - 6.2 Ian Loades advised that he was attending in connection with his planning application and would be happy to answer any questions.
 - 6.3 It was agreed that Peter Green would contribute as necessary when his planning application was under consideration.
There being no further matters raised under Public Participation, the Chairman re-opened the meeting at 19.09.

7. CLERK'S REPORTS
- 7.1 *Council's Current Financial Position:*
- 7.1.1 The Clerk presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.
- 7.1.2 **RESOLVED to note the Council's current financial position.**
Proposed by Cllr W Thomas, seconded by Cllr Iles and carried unanimously.
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- 7.2 *Christmas Lights:*
- 7.2.1 Cllr Mrs Sylvester gave a verbal report and advised that the lights had been turned on, which had created a good turn-out given the current restrictions. She was extremely appreciative of the hard work and effort put in by the committee and the very willing helpers and reported that there was some money remaining which would go towards next year's display.
- 7.2.2 The Chairman advised that there had been some really positive feedback on Facebook and that he had used that medium to thank all those involved.
- 7.2.3 All Members expressed their thanks and appreciation of everything that the committee and helpers had done to create such a wonderful display in such a short time.
The information was duly noted.
- 8 PLANNING
- 8.1 *Notification of Planning Decisions Received:*
- 8.1.1 The Clerk drew the meeting's attention to the table of planning decisions, a copy of which is appended to these minutes and advised of the decisions made in respect of the three applications highlighted therein.
This information was duly noted.
- 8.2 *Notification of Planning Decisions received after publication of the agenda:*
- 8.2.1 The Clerk informed the meeting that he had been advised of two further planning decisions relating to:
1. PA20/09141, an application for prior approval for an extension to the rear of 5 Hendra Close, for which the applicant had been informed that prior approval was not required.
 2. PA20/10062, an application to fit two windows at Chy Skyber, Penhalvean, which had been granted unconditional approval.
- This information was duly noted.**
- 8.3 *Planning Applications Received:*
- 8.3(a) *PA20/09570 – Mr I Loades – Construction of Agricultural Shed – Land opposite 5 Southlea Terrace:*
- 8.3(a).1 Cllr Bunclark presented the report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.
- 8.3(a).2 **RESOLVED to support the application.**
Proposed by Cllr Bunclark, seconded by Cllr W Thomas and carried unanimously.
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- 8.3(b) *PA20/10062 – Mr & Mrs Raisin – Installation of 2 windows in east elevation – Chy Skyber, Penhalvean:*
- 8.3(b).1 The Clerk presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.
RESOLVED to ratify the decision made by an e-mail vote to support this application.

8.3(b).2 ***Proposed by Cllr Bunclark, seconded by Cllr Iles and carried unanimously.***

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8.3(c) *PA20/09587 – M Kemp – Two storey side extension with rear balcony – Blythe, New Road:*

8.3(c).1 Cllr Bunclark presented the report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

8.3(c).2 **RESOLVED to support the application.**

Proposed by Cllr Bunclark, seconded by Cllr Watt and carried unanimously.

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Cllr Jones entered the meeting during consideration of the following item at 19.18.

8.3(d) *PA20/10399 – Mr P Green – Demolish existing barn, build three dwellings and convert existing barn to dwelling – Ennis & Carbis Farm, Church Road:*

8.3(d).1 Cllr Bunclark presented the report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

8.3(d).2 There was considerable debate and Mr Green clarified several points and answered the many questions put by Members.

8.3(d).3 **RESOLVED that, although the Council acknowledges the need for the redevelopment of this site, it cannot support this application in its current form for the following reasons:**

1. The access to the proposed properties is not good, the number of vehicles for tenants plus deliveries and visitors raises safety concerns for this quiet family-focused cul-de-sac. (The Vineyard)
2. The size of the plot itself is not large, the volume of homes proposed constitutes over-development of the land, with the homes 'shoe-horned' into the plot and consequently little room provided for vehicles parking, turning or simply off-loading. The courtyard created by the proposal would in effect create a hazard for residents entering or leaving their homes. Having gardens separate from the properties is undesirable given that they are intended to be for families.
3. The terrace row is proposed to sit right behind the rear of the Seven Stars and alongside the boundary of the playing field. Whilst the pub is closed there will be no noise, but would residents be happy to have a busy/thriving village pub with all the associated noise? They will also experience noise from the adjacent children's play area.

Proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Bunclark and carried unanimously.

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8.3(e) *PA20/10162 – Mr & Mrs Macfall – Conservatory extension – Elm Cottage, Crellow Lane:*

8.3(e).1 Cllr Jones presented the report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

8.3(e).2 **RESOLVED to support the application.**

Proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Bunclark and carried unanimously.

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8.3(f) *PA20/10305 – Mr & Mrs Hanson – Garden Room & Groundworks – Crellow Vean, East Road:*

8.3(f).1 Cllr Bunclark presented the report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

8.3(f).2 **RESOLVED to support the application.**
Proposed by Cllr Bunclark, seconded by Cllr Jones and carried unanimously.

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9 FOOTPATHS, HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT

9.1 *Portfolio Holder's Report:*

9.1.1 Cllr Mrs J Thomas presented her report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

9.1.2 There was considerable debate over the best course of action.

9.1.3 It was noted with thanks that Mr Loades had offered to provide paving stones, should they be needed.

9.1.4 **RESOLVED:**

1. **To note the information provided re Footpath Anomalies.**
2. **That Cllr Will Thomas would cut back the tree presently obstructing the bin at Tregolls.**
3. **That Cllrs W Thomas and Bunclark will inspect all the bins in the Parish, decide upon a suitable course of action in respect of each one and, where possible carry out those actions in collaboration with others as necessary.**

Proposed by Cllr W Thomas, seconded by Cllr Mrs J Thomas and carried unanimously.

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10 PLAYING FIELD

10.1 *Footpath Access to New Playing Field:*

10.1.1 The Chairman reported verbally on the proposal to create a gap into the new playing field, following the agreement reached with Mr Peter Green..

10.1.2 He gave details of the 3ft wide gap, safety rails and granite steps and advised of the quotation received and also the offer of a £500 contribution from a parishioner.

10.1.3 **RESOLVED to accept the quotation in the sum of £1,170 submitted by Rex Andrew for carrying out the work necessary to create a gap in the boundary of the new playing field in the north-eastern corner.**

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr W Thomas and carried unanimously.

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11 CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 The Clerk presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He also presented his report on correspondence received after publication of the agenda, a copy of which is also appended to these minutes.

11.2 **RESOLVED:**

1. **To note receipt from Cornwall Council of their Town and Parish Council Covid-19 Update dated 20th November 2020.**
2. **To note receipt from Devon & Cornwall Police of the November 2020 Edition of the Police & Crime Commissioner's Report.**
3. **To note receipt from Cornwall Council of their Town and Parish Council Covid-19 Update dated 27th November 2020.**

4. To note receipt from Cornwall Council of their Town and Parish Council Covid-19 Update dated 4th December 2020.

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr W Thomas and carried unanimously.

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12 URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items for consideration at this point on the agenda.

13 AUTHORISING OF PAYMENTS

13.1 The Clerk presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

13.2 **RESOLVED to approve payment of the sums shown in the report totalling £30,602.20.**

Proposed by Cllr Watt, seconded by Cllr Mrs Maskelyne and carried unanimously.

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14 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

The following items were identified for discussion at the January meeting:

- Report from the Playing Field Development Working Group.

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next Council Meeting would take place on Tuesday 19th January 2021 at 7pm.

The Meeting closed at 20.40.

Signed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

..... Chairman

Date:.....