Minutes 10 January 2022

## **CORNWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL**

MINUTES of a meeting of Cornworthy Parish Council at St Peter's Church

on Monday 10th January 2022 at 8.00 pm

## Draft minutes subject to approval at the next parish council meeting

<u>Present:</u> Cllr Kirkland (Chairman); Cllr Bradley; (Vice Chairman), Cllr Ronson; Cllr Hunt; Cllr Fry, Cllr Carver

In Attendance: County Councillor Hawkins; District Councillor McKay, Mrs L Maby (Clerk)

### 1.0 Preambles

- 1.1 Emergency Exits
- 1.2 Apologies : none received

## 2.0 Declarations of Interest : Cllr Hunt: Item 8.2 (d)

### 3.0 Minutes

3.1 **The minutes from the meeting of Cornworthy Parish Council on** Monday 6th December 2021 were approved by all and duly signed by Cllr Kirkland

### 4.0 Matters Arising from the Minutes

4.1 (Item 4.1 Dec Minutes) New Model Code of Conduct : Clerk has requested another copy of this which will be circulated before the February meeting.

4.2 (Item 4.2 Dec Minutes) Jubilee Stone and proposed cost : Cllr Kirkland outlined the proposed design from the stonemason visited with Cllr Bradley and Clerk. He explained that there would be the official Platinum Jubilee Emblem with 'The Queen's Platinum Jubilee' inscribed around this. The words HM Queen Elizabeth II would be carved underneath this. Three weeks has been quoted for completion of the work .This has been costed at approximately £2,500 including the stone which will be approximately 1 metre above ground level with a rustic appearance to complement the landscape. Proposed by Cllr Carver and seconded by Cllr Kirkland. Cllr Hunt has agreed to allow the stonemason to carry out the work at his Furzehill premises for easy onward transport to its final standing place.

# 5.0 Local Issues

5.1 Current enforcement cases : No new cases

# 5.2 Parishioners Letters : none received

5.3 Platinum Jubilee Celebrations : a meeting of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee working group with representatives from the parish council, church, village hall and WI was held prior to the parish council meeting where a Chairman (Cllr Kirkland) and Secretary (Linda Maby) were appointed. It was a short initial meeting to discuss the location of the main event on Sunday 5th June 2022 and a short discussion was had to put forward some ideas for the event.

The next meeting would be prior to the 7th February Parish Council meeting. Cllr Kirkland suggested that the Parish Council could fly a Platinum Jubilee flag which would have to be purchased (Cllr Hawkins suggested a supplier) All in agreement.

5.4.Garden Waste Collection : a one-off collection has been arranged for Cornworthy parish with the 'Brown Bin Heroes' from Ashprington for Saturday 29th January from 9.30am. A circular has been prepared to go to all households alongside another offering assistance during the Corona Virus pandemic. This will be free of charge but they would like a donation to their charity 'National Coast Watch (Torbay). A donation of £50 was suggested. This was proposed by Cllr Hunt seconded by Cllr Kirkland. The clerk will supply a list of all parish addresses to the team.

5.5 Emergency Plan: Cllr Ronson suggested a sub committee for this. It was agreed that a further appeal for volunteers would be posted in the February parish magazine as a first step.

# 6.0 Highways

Cllr Kirkland advised of a road closure which will take place from Cornworthy Cross to Tuckenhay Cross (near Dean Prior Cottage) for South West Water works between 11th to 19th April albeit an earlier date has been applied for from 28th February to 3rd March.

# 7.0 Planning

7.1 Lower Washbourne Farm, Washbourne, TQ9 7UE: (4347/21/FUL): Replacement dwelling following Class Q Approval (3905/20/PDM) Comments by 27th January 2022. It was decided to arrange a site visit for Monday 17th January at 10.00am before submitting comments to planning. Clerk to inform applicant.

7.2 West End, Allaleigh, Blackawton TQ9 7DL (4258/21/FUL) : Replacement of existing barn with new dwelling SUPPORT

### 8.0 Finance and Records

### 8.1 Receipts

(a) 7p bank interest – 9th December 2021

### 8.2 Payments

(a) £276.90 – Mrs L Maby – Clerk's Salary for December.

Payment proposed by Cllr Ronson, seconded by Cllr Kirkland

(b) £30.00 – Cornworthy PCC for use of church/heating at meeting of

PC on 6/12/21

Payment proposed by Cllr Bradley, seconded by Cllr Ronson

(c) £35.00 – Cornworthy Village Hall for electricity used in lighting

**Christmas Tree** 

Payment proposed by Cllr Hunt, seconded by Cllr Fry

(d) £576 – Mr S Hunt for Footpath Works

Payment proposed by Cllr Bradley, seconded by Cllr Ronso

8.3 Bank Balance at 9th December 2021

Total: £25,544.08Current account: £17,479.65 Savings account: £8,064.43Allocated:Cornworthy PC: £24,509.19 CharlecombeWood: £108.01P3: £926.88

8.4 Budget 2022/23 Approval: Clerk had made the appropriate amendments discussed at the December meeting and all approved the budget. This was signed by Cllr Kirkland

8.5 Precept 2022/23: to approve a 2022/23 precept demand: it was decided not to increase the precept from last year's figure which was  $\pm$ 7,500. Proposed by Cllr Bradley and seconded by Cllr Ronson. Clerk to progress

# 9.0 Reports

9.1 Clerk : Clerk advised that there would be a second circular to accompany the Garden Waste Collection information advising parishioners of contact details they can use should they need help during the Covid pandemic. She informed councillors of a '20 MPH/ Twenty is Plenty' initiative. Cllr Kirkland asked for more information regarding signs especially for the dangerous bend coming into the village from the Abbey direction for the February agenda.

# 9.2 Tree Warden

9.3 Defibrillator : the replacement defibrillator is still in place whilst ours is being repaired

9.4 Village Hall : Cllr Carver reported that in November, the committee undertook an extensive deep clean of the village hall and employed a regular cleaner. The hall is now fully open to hire. A Building Survey will be undertaken in January by an independent

Chartered Building Surveyor. The aim of this is to establish what building works are required to the hall now and for future refurbishment and to provide costings for this. Further work will then be undertaken to ascertain whether there are grants available for this work.

**Future decisions:** The Declaration of Trust that governs how the Committee manage and operate the hall and Committee want to be able to provide as much information as reasonably possible to the village regarding the various options before we present them. At this stage it difficult to put a timescale on any recommendations as we need the results of the survey and subsequent work on establishing likely costs and researching grants for the renewal of the existing hall, but we will keep you updated on progress into the New Year

9.5 Climate Change : Cllr Fry outlined some local events of note. EVENTS of note:-

Sustainable Blackawton :Blackawton Primary School Hall regarding Soil Health. Speaker: Richard Dayment "Richard has greatly reduced reliance on purchased fertiliser and grown the same amount of feed by improving soil health and adding nitrogen fixing legumes to the swards. Richard is looking forward to getting the whole farm converted to all herbal leys over the next two years and increasing habitat and biodiversity with new banks, hedges and pollinators."

The event is put on by the Sustainable Blackawton group and they say all are welcome. They ask that people take a lateral flow first, that they respect social distancing, and wrap up nice and warm as the doors and windows will be open.

On Biodiversity within Dittisham parish, they have improved their biodiversity plan through changing their mowing regime to just once in the winter land for Parish Council Land. They started by doing a habitat assessment, is this something that could be done on any potential areas of the parish? They recommend contacting Adam Davison of South Devon AONB. They helped Wembury with a wildflower verges project – they also added in seed.

adam.davison@southdevonaonb.org.uk

#### 9.5 District Councillor : Cllr McKay gave a short report

9.6 County Councillor : Cllr Hawkins gave a short report

#### 10.0 Correspondence/Invitations and Items For February Agenda

#### 11.0 100 Club February 2022 draws

1st: Mr D Aslin

2nd: Mr R Claire

3rd: Mrs P Noble10th

Meeting finished at 9pm

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Monday 7th February 2022 at 8.00 pm