

Minutes 4 October 2021

## **CORNWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL**

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

on **Monday 4th October 2021 at 8.00 pm**

**Present:** Cllr Kirkland (Chairman); Cllr Bradley; (Vice Chairman); Cllr Ronson; Cllr Hunt; Cllr Worthington; Cllr Fry; Cllr Carver

**In Attendance:** District Councillor McKay; Mrs L Maby (Clerk)

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

### **1.0 Preambles**

1.1 Emergency Exits

1.2 Apologies: County Cllr Hawkins;

**2.0 Declarations of Interest : none**

### **3.0 Minutes**

3.1 **Minutes** from the Cornworthy Parish Council Meeting held Monday 30th August 2021

were approved by all and duly signed by the Chairman.

### **4.0 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

4.1 (Item 4.1 /4.2 Aug Minutes) Neighbourhood & Emergency Plan Volunteer Appeal

Clerk advised that an appeal had gone out on the noticeboards, council Facebook page and in the parish magazine for volunteers and there had been some response already. It was decided that this would formally start in the New Year to allow further volunteers to come forward and for a questionnaire to be prepared to identify areas for each volunteer to best be involved in.

4.2 (Item 4.3 Aug Minutes ) Code of Conduct: this was still in circulation and would be discussed again at the next meeting.

4.3 (Item 5.3 Aug Minutes) Village Photograph /Jubilee Celebrations (see Village Hall report): Cllr Carver advised that the Village Hall Committee were very happy for a sub committee to oversee the taking of the photograph. Cllr Hunt had agreed that his field could be used for the Jubilee Celebrations. Cllr Kirkland suggested that we could use a marquee in Cllr Hunt's field so there was cover if it was wet. Cllr Carver outlined the

proposals that were being discussed for the future of the village hall. Cllr Kirkland will look into the cost of items need to hold the Jubilee celebration in the field including insurance. Cllr Carver said that the community need to agree to any proposals as there are regulations governing this in that the village hall operates as a charity.

4.4 (Item 5.8 Aug Minutes) Garden Bonfires: clerk has included a link on the council Facebook for people to refer to advice regarding garden bonfires.

4.5 (Item 5.5 Aug Minutes) Waste Collections : a discussion was held about missed collections. Cllr McKay explained this was often down to admin error and that he is following up any complaints. Cllr Kirkland advised that Cllr McKay .gov e mail has been put on our Facebook page for residents to contact him with any concerns or problems regarding waste collections. Cllr Kirkland advised that SHDC had informed us that the garden waste (brown bins) will not be emptied until further notice. Clerk had put this information on the noticeboards.

## **5.0 Local Issues**

5.1 Current enforcement cases: no new cases

5.2 Parishioners Letters : none received this month

5.3 Christmas : Cllr Kirkland proposed that the parish council support the installation of a Christmas Tree again for Christmas 2021. He reminded councillors that the council already have a wooden barrel and lights but recommended that there be a lit star for the top pf the tree. All were in agreement and Cllr Kirkland will obtain the light and the clerk will sort out the tree. Cllr Kirkland checked with Cllr Carver that it would still be OK to put in hooks to to help stabilise the tree. Cllr Carver saw no problem with this.

All agreed that the Children's Decoration Competition could be run again. Clerk to enquire with Elly Jamieson if she is prepared to run this again. Cllr Kirkland suggested we could have an official lighting up of the tree. All agreed

5.4 Ash Die Back Millennium Woods: Mrs Hunt has written to the Woodland Trust about this. Cllr Kirkland expressed concern that the problem requires urgent attention as dead branches are likely to fall. Clerk to progress.

5.5 Proposed use of £750 grant offer from County Councillor Hawkins : Cllr Bradley asked if anyone had any further ideas for the use of this money as an alternative to supplying the items needed for the Jubilee celebrations. Cllr Kirkland will check with Cllr Hawkins if this would be possible. Otherwise, it was suggested that the Village Hall could use the funds.

## **6.0 Highways**

6.1 Cllr Hunt asked that the condition of the road from the Church to Furzehill Cross be reported again. A discussion was had about the condition of Bow Hill and it was

decided to include this in our communication to Highways as Cornworthy residents regularly use this route.

## 7.0 Planning

7.1 **Maynards, Cornworthy TQ9 7HB 2840/21/LBC** : Listed Building Consent for replacement roofing and remedial works (comment by 7th October): **SUPPORT**

### Decisions

7.2 **Woolcombe Farm, Cornworthy TQ9 7HL 1573/21/FUL**: Erection of general purpose agricultural building **CONDITIONAL APPROVAL**

7.3 **Draft Memorandum of Understanding**: all agreed that this was a positive move for assessing planning applications and clerk will draw up a formal document for signature at the next meeting.

## 8.0 Finance and Records

### 8.1 Receipts

(a) 7p bank interest – 9th Sept 2021

### 8.2 Payments

(a) £276.90 – Mrs L Maby – Clerk’s Salary for September

(b) £31.75 – Mrs L Maby expenses for 2nd quarter 2021/22

Payment was proposed by Cllr Bradley and seconded by Cllr Carver

### 9.4 Bank Balance at 20/9/2021

Total: £22,944.29    Current account: £14,880.06    Savings account: £8,064.23

Allocated:    Cornworthy PC: £21,909.40

Charlecombe Wood: £108.01    P3: £926.88

## 10.0 Reports

9.1 Clerk : nothing this time

9.2 Tree Warden

9.3 Defibrillator : all working fine.

9.4 Village Hall : see Cllr Carver’s previous comments

9.5 Climate Change : Cllr Fry reported that SHDC are looking at Car Charging Points points in Steamer Quay, North ST Car Park, Duncombe Car Park KB, Lower union Road They support the principle of the Carbon Fee and Dividend system and are lobbying government to appraise impacts of carbon pricing based on this approach. The CEO has been asked to write to Sec of State for business energy and industrial strategy to express these views. There are various grants available for climate projects.

Cllr Fry reported back on the South Hams Climate Change and Biodiversity Community Forum from September. She advised that there are Energy advice services available through SDCE and LEAP for anyone in need of advice and guidance. South Hams Sustainability are looking to set up a Sustainability Centre in the South Hams.

9.5 District Councillor : discussed the problems with the waste contractor. He commented that they have been running waste collections successfully in other areas but have not been able to properly migrate that expertise to the South Hams area which has lead to problems. It's a joint contract with West Devon which works better for them but it is an onerous task for SHDC to extract themselves from. Cllr Kirkland offered thanks to Cllr McKay for helping to sort the problems out with our residents. All supported this. Cllr Mc Kay discussed carbon emissions and meetings and steps which are taking place to address this. The A3081 was discussed and the automatic traffic survey which had recently been carried out to measure the speed and classification of vehicles going through Harbertonford. In a week over 1,000 cars had exceeded the speed limit in that time i.e. driving over 35 miles per hour. Cllr McKay asked would the council support his efforts in trying to address this situation. All Cllrs agreed that they supported what Cllr McKay was trying to achieve.

9.6 County Councillor : not present

## **11.0 Correspondence/Invitations and Items For November Agenda**

11.1 Community Broadband: clerk to put link on Facebook page for residents to consider.

## **12.0 100 Club October draw**

1st: Mr M Boughton

2nd: Mrs R Shewen

3rd: Mr H Quartly

The next **Parish Council Meeting** is on **Monday 1st November 2021 at 8.00 pm**