

Minutes 6 December 2021

CORNWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

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

on **Monday 6th December 2021 at 8.00 pm**

Draft minutes subject to approval at the next parish council meeting

Present: Cllr Kirkland (Chairman); Cllr Bradley; (Vice Chairman), Cllr Ronson; Cllr Hunt

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

1.0 Preambles

1.1 Emergency Exits

1.2 Apologies : received from Cllr Fry, Cllr Carver and Cllr Worthington

2.0 Declarations of Interest : Cllr Hunt: Item 5.3

3.0 Minutes

3.1 **The minutes from the meeting of Cornworthy Parish Council on Monday 1st November 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) Code of Conduct: Clerk was asked to e mail this to Cllrs Ronson, Carver and Fry and print off another copy to sign to the next meeting.

4.2 (Item 4.3 Minutes) Proposed use of £750 grant offer from Cllr Hawkins/ Signposts. This was discussed as there are other signposts which need attention. Cllr Kirkland suggested that one is replaced first and assess this before ordering more. All agreed the design for the Abbey Cross signpost replacement. Cllr Hawkins suggested that a 'Jubilee' stone could be placed next to this first sign at the entrance to the village. Cllr Kirkland to progress the order of the signpost and investigate a local stonemason to carve the commemorative stone.

4.3 (Item 11.1 Minutes) Platinum Jubilee Celebrations : Cllr Kirkland suggested a sub – committee comprising the Parish Council and representatives from the Church, Village Hall and WI. Clerk to organise a meeting for 7.15pm prior to the PC meeting on the 10th January 2022.

5.0 Local Issues

5.1 Current enforcement cases: Cllr McKay has asked that all cases are reviewed. He will pay particular attention to those in Cornworthy which are now long standing. Clerk to e mail Cllr McKay the details of these.

5.2 Parishioners Letters

5.3 Donation to Dame Elizabeth Harris & John Peter Charity: this would be awarded in April 2022

5.4 Donation to Cornworthy Parish Hall: this was requested to help with solicitors fees to look at the alternatives for refurbishing or replacing. Again this would be awarded in April 2022.

5.5 Defibrillator training from St Johns Ambulance: this was priced quite highly at £1200 + VAT for 12 participants. As an alternative Cllr Kirkland has approached the Red Cross for a quote and will report back next month.

5.6 Suspension of Garden Waste Collection : Cllr Mc Kay to discuss in his report.

5.7 Are you Ready For Winter Grant: Cllr Kirkland suggested we should apply for this which will help with costs associated with Clerk's extra activities related to supporting parishioners through the winter and during the Covid pandemic. All agreed. Clerk to progress.

6.0 Highways

6.1 Cllr Kirkland had received a communication from a parishioner about the dangers of the junction at North Park Corner. Cllr McKay said this was in the Blackawton parish. Cllr Hawkins suggested that DCC Highways could confirm this. Clerk to look into obtaining a boundary map.

7.0 Planning

7.1 **Dartmouth Golf and Country Club, Blackawton:** Outline application with some matters reserved for proposed extension to hotel accommodation including ancillary and office accommodation, landscaping and parking facilities and repositioned golf buggy store :

3954/21/OPA (information only)

Decisions

7.2 **Tideford Park Farm, Cornworthy, Totnes TQ9 7HL:** Approval of details reserved by conditions (discharge) consent (0256/21/FUL) : **2085/21/ARC.**

DISCHARGE OF CONDITION APPROVED

8.0 Finance and Records

8.1 Receipts

(a) 6p bank interest – 9th November 2021

8.2 Payments

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

(b) £35.13 – Mrs L Maby – Expenses for 3rd quarter 2021/22

Payments a and b proposed by Cllr Ronson and seconded by Cllr Bradley

(c) £70.00 – Bugford Nurseries for Christmas Tree

Payments c proposed by Cllr Ronson and seconded by Cllr Bradley

(d) £30.00 – Cornworthy PCC for use of church/heating at meeting of PC on
1/11/21

(e) £17.25 Best Host Invoice 23337 for standard hosting package (28/12/21 to
27/3/22)

Payments d and e proposed by Cllr Ronson and seconded by Cllr Bradley

(f) £ 24.00- Best Host Invoice 23222 (**paid**) for SSL certificate (4/11/21 to
3/11/22)

8.3 Bank Balance at 9th November 2021

Total: £25,973.29 Current account: £17,908.93 Savings account: £8,064.36

Allocated: Cornworthy PC: £24,938.40

Charlecombe Wood: £108.01 P3: £926.88

8.4 Budget 2022/23 Discussion : Clerk explained the documents which showed budget projections for 2022/23. This was discussed at length and clerk will prepare final budget figures and receive money details for the January meeting.

9.0 Reports

9.1 Clerk: clerk will distribute information about upcoming training courses for councillors.

9.2 Tree Warden : tree warden feels that there is nothing of particular concern regarding dangerous branches from Ash dieback. However councillors felt that this needs to be further progressed with the Woodland Trust as there are several branches overhanging the footpaths which could be a danger. Clerk to progress. Tree Warden has

asked that the Oak Tree can be pruned by the village hall. Cllrs said there was a TPO on this tree and an approach would need to be made through the proper channels.

9.3 Defibrillator : this needed technical attention and has been temporarily replaced.

9.4 Village Hall : following the village meeting, a building surveyors has been appointed to investigate the current state of the hall and its potential. A result is expected in the New Year.

There will be mulled wine and mince pies organised by the VH to coincide with the turning on of the Christmas Lights on Saturday 11th December.

9.5 Climate Change

9.5 District Councillor : Cllr McKay said waste collection was an ongoing issue and things are coming to a head. There is a move to encourage parishes to do their own green composting.

Regarding biodiversity, he talked about a more realistic route whereby larger organisations can achieve funding.

9.6 County Councillor: Cllr Hawkins discussed budget setting for SHDC and DCC. He mentioned Cllr Hart's briefing session which is the subject of a forthcoming webinar focuses on social services, especially children's welfare. Highways will be lobbying the council to try and achieve a healthy budget for 2022/23. He also discussed the Housing Crisis and the Dartmouth Food Bank which has recently moved to Townstal town hall as well as the free Youth and Leisure nights at the Dartmouth Leisure Centre which will start on the 14th January 2022. He discussed green Composting and the new site at Jawbones. He mentioned Ashprington Parish Council will be setting up one off collections of green waste and will contact us regarding a Cornworthy collection.

10.0 Correspondence/Invitations and Items For January Agenda

10.1 DALC: Neighbourhood Planning Webinars : clerk outlined the webinars planned for next year and will circulate this again to councillors

10.2 DALC: Autumn Briefing with Leader Cllr John Hart : no one was available on the 15th December to attend this.

11.0 100 Club December and Christmas 2021 draws

December Draw:

1st: Mrs J Matthews; 2nd: Mr T Carter; Mrs V Tozer

Christmas Draw:

1st: Mr Quartly; 2nd: Mr I Finn; Mr T Carter

The next **Parish Council Meeting** is on **Monday 10th January 2021 at 8.00 pm**