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Minutes of Warleggan Parish Meeting Thursday 7 December 2017, at the Jubilee Hall, Mount

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Present / Apologies - see Parish Clerk's copy of the minutes for list of those (12 people) recorded as attending, and of the (1) apologies received.

The minutes of the Parish Meeting of 5th October were read and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising

1. Planning application at Polventor Warleggan was approved in full.
2. PKF Littlejohn LLP have been appointed as our new external auditors.
3. Mr John K has emailed Cardinham Parish Council regarding knotweed on Treslea Downs. It is believed that this may not have been sprayed.
4. An enforcement notice has been served upon occupants at the site adjoining Colliford Tavern for the removal of the tyres, pallets and two caravans; however, the chicken house can remain. It is likely that there will be an appeal and go to court. This is likely to delay things for a further 6-12 months.
5. Mr John K will continue his consultations regarding repairs of the notice board at Warleggan.
6. Potholes on Treslea Downs, below Chy-Pendra Mount and along Chapel Lane will be reported by Mr John K with Mr Eddy copied in.

Other business

1. County Councillor's Report: Mr Eddy explained that the Housing Minister has announced a new white paper linking local affordability and wages to a formula (?) for housing development. This means that Cornwall needs to build 10% more homes than those already planned by private builders. Cornwall Council will take up this deficit and build affordable homes using the capital account and borrowing.

Mr Eddy also explained changes proposed in rubbish collection, whereby recycling and food waste will be collected weekly with black bag waste having a fortnightly collection.

Mr Eddy explained that the pothole reporting will switch to a map-based system. Finally, My Eddy explained that while council tax will increase, a further £34 million worth of savings need to be made.

2. Boundary Commission Proposal for Cornwall Council was discussed, with its implications for Warleggan Parish. Our preferred option was to be linked to St Neot, St Cleer, Dobwalls and St Pinnock. A draft response to Cornwall Council was formulated, which Mr John K will forward as outlined below.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION CONSULTATION ON DIVISION BOUNDARIES FOR CORNWALL WARLEGGAN PARISH MEETING

At a meeting of the Warleggan Parish Meeting held on 7th December 2017 a discussion took place on the division boundaries for Cornwall in the light of the reduction in the number of Councillors.

At present Warleggan Parish is represented at the Cornwall Council by Martin Eddy who also represents St Cleer and St Neot Parishes.

The unanimous decision of the Parish Meeting was that we should continue to be represented by the Councillor who represents those parishes. In particular it was noted that Warleggan has extremely strong connections with St Neot Parish.

- A. Warleggan Parish is similar in topography and composition to St Neot and St Cleer Parishes which all run from the higher Bodmin Moor down to the valley of the River Fowey.
- B. The Rector of St Bartholomew's Church Warleggan also serves St Neot Church which together with St Cleer Church form an established cluster group.
- C. The Methodist Chapel is in the Liskeard Circuit as is the St Neot Chapel.
- D. The Members of Warleggan Young Farmers' Club not only come from this area but a large number reside in St Neot Parish.
- E. The Archive established in the Community Buildings at St Neot represents both Parishes – it is the "St Neot and Warleggan Community Archive".
- F. Warleggan lacks social facilities such as a Public House and the London Inn at St Neot is "our local".
- G. Warleggan does not have an affinity with any other parish on the scale that it does with St Neot and hence the strong feeling that we should continue to be represented alongside that parish.

3. Planning Application [PA17/10773](#) at Castle Dewey for "Alterations and extensions to the existing farmhouse. New two storey extension incorporating new master bedroom, improved internal staircase and new sitting room. Removal of existing PVC conservatory, replaced with new timber and glass veranda. Opening up of internal around floor to create lighter and more spacious kitchen/dining/living area." Mr Andrew L described these proposals and answered questions. Mr Geoff S has spoken to the chairman in advance and supported the application. The Planning Subcommittee supported the application unanimously (see clerk's copy for list of names).
4. Mr John J explained that the seat in memory of the late Mr Noel Watson on Mount crossroads was in need of re-varnishing. He agreed to do this voluntarily when the weather permits. The parish meeting agreed to pay for materials estimated at about £20.
5. Mr Andrew M explained that he has received an invoice for the defibrillator monitoring for next year at a cost of £378, which he will pay. However noted that by setting up a direct debit we would save 3% off the bill; the meeting agreed to pay this way in future.

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6. It has been noted that the gorse is overgrown on Warleggan Down and towards Castle Dewey and coming over the road by up to two feet. The commoners and owners won't pay to cut it. Concern was expressed regarding cattle hidden in the bushes and if cut this would improve visibility and safety. It is thought that flailing the affected area would take about four hours and cost about £150. The meeting agreed to pay for this and Mr John K will approach Mr Geoff S about this.
7. We have checked the salt bins which appear adequate.
8. The parish have been advised that part of the road in Noel's Meadow has been adopted by Cornwall Council.
9. Mrs Pat P has received a letter from Ms Jill B regarding proposals to donate some land to the Jubilee Hall in return for the parish's support for three houses, two of which would be sold to finance the building of the main house, which Ms B would live in. The hall would need to pay for legal costs and a fence around the donated land. Mr Eddy explained that he could not become involved at this stage, but had put Ms B in touch with the relevant planning officer. He explained that given this proposal is outside development area, there would need to be a substantial benefit to the parish for such an application to be supported. There were mixed views regarding this proposal at the meeting. Whilst such a development may provide a focus for the centre of Mount it was thought that costs to the hall were unjustified. As there were no representatives from local houses present, we agreed to re-approach this proposal at our next meeting after seeking the advice of nearby houses and raising the proposal in the parish newsletter and parish website.
10. Mr Andrew M as treasurer led a discussion on setting the parish precept for 2018/19. He explained that we brought forward £3,399.51 into financial year FY 2017/18, received a precept of £1,100 plus a small support grant. So far we have spent £1,211.40. Our regular expenditure is about £1,000 but we have paid for a commemorative plaque amounting to £203.40. Our current financial situation is £3,288.11. Mr M proposed that we continue to request a precept of £1,100 from Cornwall Council for 2018/19 This was unanimously supported by the meeting.

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