

DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of Warleggan Parish Meeting Annual General Meeting of Thursday 20 April 2017 at the Jubilee Hall, Mount

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Present / Apologies - see Parish Clerk's copy of the minutes for list of those (31 people) recorded as attending, and of the (1) apologies received.

Prior to the meeting Ms Felicity Coplestone from Cornwall Council's Planning Department explained their six month trial of an area-based team generally covering Liskeard/Looe community network which is designed to improve knowledge and understanding as well as increase productivity and quality of the service provided by planning officers. The planning officers hope to be able to focus our discussions at meetings if contacted prior to meetings. There are six members in the team, all having their own specialisations. The current trial lasts until October when senior managers will decide if it is to continue or go further within the planning department. The planning team would be happy coming out to us to improve our knowledge base. The benefit of having a neighbourhood plan was raised and we agreed to put it on the agenda for our next meeting. It was suggested that we get someone out to come to our meeting, which was supported; a benefit of having a local plan was thought to be that applications may go through quicker..

The minutes of the AGM of April 2017 were read and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising

1. The old phone box at Warleggan: no use has yet been found for this.
2. The ongoing saga of the land adjoining Colliford Tavern continues. An appeal by the occupants against the enforcement notice has been lodged with the courts.

Chairman's report

Mr John K explained that we have had a few planning applications to consider and the recent practice of the planning sub-committee inspecting sites before making a decision was thought to be useful. The most contentious application was for land south of Noel's Meadow. There had been extensive discussions on this application, but it had been objected to by the planning sub-committee in this form and was refused by the Council. We debated the Local Government Boundary Commission's proposals with regards to the electoral review of Cornwall Council; they decided to reduce the number of councillors from 123 to 87. We await their decision on the new Division Boundaries but Warleggan expressed a wish to remain with St Cleer and particularly St Neot. Finally John K paid tribute to Chris W for the maintenance of the parish website, Andy M as Clerk, Mr Henry J for caring for the war memorial and Mr John J for emptying the litter bin until we removed it.

Treasurer's report

Mr Andy M gave the financial report.

We brought forward £3,399.51 into the financial year 2017/18, and received a precept of £1,100 and a council tax support grant of £34.87. We also received Cornwall Councillor Martin Eddy's Community Chest Scheme grant of £200.00, giving us an income of £1,334.87.

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Expenditure was as follows:

Chairperson expenses	£125.00
Clerk/Treasurer expenses	£125.00
Parish website management	£100.00
Reading room electricity reimbursement for parish lighting	£70.00
Parish magazine printing donation	£100.00
Voucher to Mr H, in lieu of parish work	£50.00
Jubilee Hall Rental for meetings	£80.00
Reimbursement to Mr John K, for commemorative plaque	£203.40
Payment to Mr CEJ for cutting of Warleggan Downs verge	<u>£153.50</u>
Total expenditure	£952.40

This expenditure for 2017/18 was £952.40, giving an end of year closing balance of £3,781.98. We have maintained the parish precept for 2018/19 at £1,100. Due to an administrative problem we still owe our defibrillator monitoring firm AED Locator (EU) Ltd £378.00 and we agreed to pay for the wifi for the hall for the first 18 months. We have paid for five months and are awaiting the bill for the remaining period. The meeting agreed to reimburse Mrs Gill K £19.99 for new Christmas tree lights.

The meeting then reviewed our regular financial commitments, and agreed to keep the following expenses the same as the previous financial year:

Chairperson expenses	£125.00
Clerk/Treasurer expenses	£125.00
Parish website management	£100.00
Parish magazine printing donation	£100.00

A voucher to Mr H in lieu of parish work was increased to £60 and the Mount Reading Room was to be given £75.00 following Mr Richard J investigating cost of electricity for the lighting of the parish light and Christmas tree decorations. We considered a request from Cornwall Air Ambulance for a donation but did not feel this was an appropriate use of our funds despite generally supporting them.

Election of Officers

Mr John K remains chairperson.

Mr Andy M remains clerk/treasurer.

Ms Emma T remains deputy chairperson

The planning subcommittee: Mrs Pat P explained that she would like to retire from this committee. The following were supported to this role: Mr John J, Ms Veronica C, Mr Geoff S, Ms Julie G, Mr Andrew L, Ms Diane W, Ms Emma T. Ms K Morgan and Ms C Stokes to be added to the sub-committee.

County Councillor's Report

Mr Martin E gave the county councillor's report. He explained that we are awaiting the result of the Boundary Commission review which will be followed by a further period of consultation. He spoke of diminishing money from central government and how council tax had increased [by] to 4.99% which includes 2% for social care. Cornwall Council has decided to build new homes for rent, not sale, due to developers claiming that costs are going up. By 2020, all waste collections will be fortnightly including recycling, but there will be additional collection of kitchen waste. Mr Eddy explained why he had supported Cornwall Council's decision to invest £3 million with the Stadium for Cornwall project, with others contributing to this, including central government.

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Any other business

1. Planning application from Ms J Beglan for two houses [on land] adjoining the Jubilee Hall. Her letter of 9/4/18 was read to the meeting; there then followed a general discussion involving all members present. It was made clear that no pre-judgment could be made meeting. Issues raised is that this is a green field site, the land is renowned for being wet, there was concern for the whereabouts of a water pipe across the field, and we were made aware of the members of the Jubilee Hall Committee who felt that if supported [and if a part of the field is donated to the hall], Ms Beglan would be expected to meet legal costs, fence the land and hardcore the proposed car parking area. We advised Ms Beglan to seek pre-application advice from Cornwall Council.
2. Mr Rosemary P, Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator, spoke of various thefts in the area with particular reference to a van believed to be linked to incidents. It is thought that they will visit an area but come back a few days later to take what they have found. Ms P explained that the police would like to meet with us; [neighbourhood watch] signs cost £10 with stickers £1. Advice was given to lock cars as glove boxes tend to be raided, keep gates closed and padlocked, and if you see anything suspicious don't put yourself at risk but take photos, number plates, vehicle types, colour, people's appearances, accents, clothing etc.; dogs help but we must all be more vigilant. We were also reminded not to advertise our absences on facebook, etc.
3. Ms Poppy C spoke of Cornwall Parish Watch, a community-based system of befriending and supporting people in the parish. All volunteers would be safeguarded/DBC-checked. It was suggested that a survey letter could be put in the parish newsletter.
4. Cornwall Council have again approached the Parish Meeting to enquire if we would like responsibility for cutting our parish footpaths for £263.67. It was thought that employing a contractor with public liability insurance to do this would not be cost effective.
5. Defibrillator update: First responders particularly in Mount are still required. If interested, please give names and phone numbers to Ms Gill K, who will forward details to FLEET.
6. It was thought that the broadband in the Jubilee Hall is useful
7. Mount War Memorial is now Grade 2 listed.
8. Planning application at castle Dewey to erect a summer house was supported (all in favour, except one who abstained)
9. Dog faeces was discussed. It was thought locals should not need a bin, as they can use their own refuse collection; however, we agreed to price a bin, and how much it would cost to have it emptied.
10. Ms Rosemary P is offering free horse manure.

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