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Minutes of Warleggan Parish Meeting 19th July 2018, at the Jubilee Hall, Mount

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Present / Apologies - see Parish Clerk's copy of the minutes for list of those (19 people) recorded as attending, and of the (0) apologies received.

The minutes of the Parish Meeting of 12th December were read and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising

1. The cork tiles on the noticeboard in Warleggan do bow when wet, however it was thought that it is ok at present, but the surrounding trees will be cut back.
2. The Clerk explained that the parish accounts are with the external auditor and relevant sections have been uploaded to the parish website to comply with auditors regulations.
3. Defibrillator at Jubilee Hall: we have paid for its monitoring for the year, but will be using a company which provides the same service at a cheaper rate in the future.
4. Those present were advised that Cornwall Council are liable for damage caused to vehicles as a result of potholes, provided that the Council were aware of them for a period prior to the damage being incurred.
5. Gorse cutting on roads around Warleggan and its moors was seen as a significant improvement to road and animal safety.
6. Ms Jill B's building proposal in return for land donated to the Jubilee Hall: Mr John K (chair) has written to Ms B explaining that we could not prejudge any planning application, but there were mixed feelings about this proposal. The hall management committee could see some benefit from a further 10-12 car parking space but would expect Ms B to finance the fence and legal costs. It was noted that this would be a 'green field' development, that there are drainage issues adjoining the hall, and a water pipe crosses the field; however in some respects this may be more beneficial for the community than (..) for land adjoining Noel's Meadow.
7. Mr John K (chair) explained that at an AGM we accepted two new members to our planning subcommittee. We have since realised that our constitution is for eight members plus the chair and clerk. Ms K M has agreed to stand down, but we will review at our next AGM whether we want to change the constitution.

Other business

1. Mr Geoff S spoke of the sad passing of Mr Cyril Keast. He has done so much for the hall and parish for over 70 years. Our thoughts are with John and his family.

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2. Mr Martin Eddy have the county councillors report. He spoke of the proposed merger of Devon and Cornwall Police with Dorset Police. They already work together in some areas however it is likely to draw resources away from Devon and Cornwall and Mr Eddy said that he is opposed to the merger. At present there is one budget from Devon and Cornwall councils; if Dorset was added, further liaising would be required. The Chief Constable would remain in Exeter, but Bodmin would be Cornwall's HQ.
3. Mr Eddy spoke about broadband: Phase 2 is nearly at an end and phase 3 is being costed. Grants are available for businesses to upgrade to fibre; however this will make their package more expensive.
4. The Newquay Space Hub proposals could provide an exciting future.
5. Land adjoining Colliford Tavern was again raised: those involved have appealed against the enforcement notice and we await the decision of the hearing.
6. Mr Eddy spoke of the Boundary Commission's proposals to reduce the number of Cornwall Councillors from 123 to 87. Warleggan St Neot and St Cleer would be joined by Menheniot, giving us about 5,000 people. Interested parties have until 17th September to respond. Mr Eddy is happy with the outcome.
7. Reporting potholes online is easy, and there has been a good response to this initiative.

Other business

1. Planning appeal re [PA17/05972](#) construction of 5 detached dwellings and 1 flat over a shop on land south of Noels Meadow, Mount: Cornwall Council's grounds for refusal and our previous response was read to the meeting. We were not aware of any new information from the developer to support the appeal. Various issues were again raised against the proposal, including increased traffic through Noel's Meadow, this is development in a green field site, concern for the capacity of the sewage system and overhead electricity supply and drainage issues. We felt that our possible support for a smaller development might confuse issues, and decided to remove this from our previous response. See below for our response:

Warleggan Parish Meeting met on 19th July to consider their views on the appeal that has been made to the DCLG following the refusal of planning application PA17/05972. The meeting was attended by over 10% of the parishioners and there was an overwhelming vote to object to the grant of planning permission for this development. The Inspector will have sight of the objections raised against the original application and it is still considered that:-

(a) The proposed development is outside the settlement of Mount, does not represent infill or rounding off of the village. It provides no benefit to the community which could perhaps justify the development.

(b) The proposal includes a shop which, on the face of it, could be a community asset. However, bearing in mind current shopping trends the Parish considers this would not be a viable business.

(c) The Parish still has concerns on the use of 10 year old survey reports particularly bearing in mind the arsenic contamination which was found during the construction of Noel's Meadow which resulted in the top layers of soil and subsoil being removed from the site.

(d) There are concerns on the effect of the development on the surface water drainage system in the area.

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(e) There are concerns at the ability of the sewage treatment works to cater for additional dwellings.

(f) There are concerns at the potential danger of construction traffic driving through the existing Noel's Meadow development where a number of young children frequently play in the road.

(g) The Parish Meeting considered that the reasons for refusal given by Cornwall Council are valid and all still relevant.

2. Mr Geoff S explained that he had complained to SW Water over the increased smell from the Mount Sewage Works.
3. The Asda bus has now been cancelled despite being well used. Ms Poppy C is examining the possibility of community transport schemes. There is an Age Concern community bus on Monday and Thursday mornings which charges £5, but will take you to where you want to go and is open to anyone.
4. Mr John J has raised that the finger post in Mount had its finial (painted top) and direction sign to Lostwithiel removed by Cornwall Council Highways some years ago, and the Colliford Lake sign was out of keeping. It was agreed to look at costings and Highways may still have the finial.
5. Concern that Treslea Down had become very overgrown and is a fire risk: Mr John K will raise this with the Treslea Commons Association.
6. The possibility of a Community Plan was again raised; we will look at this at a future meeting.
7. We received a County Councillor grants of £200 for a sign for Warleggan Church. We agreed to reimburse Mr John K for the £237.11 that this cost.

Since the above meeting, two planning applications were received but due to support by all Planning Subcommittee members and neighbours, no meeting was thought needed, and the chairman responded positively to the relevant planning officer. These were:

1. Iona, Mount - [PA18/05985](#) - Extension to side and rear of property containing two bedrooms, utility and bathroom – response: “No objection to the proposals”
2. Avalon, Mount - [PA18/07653](#) - Demolition of existing garage. Erection of front extension, side extension and rear extension with associated works – response: “The Parish Meeting supports the granting of planning permission for this development, which does not affect the overall appearance of the area and meets the applicant’s housing requirements”

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