



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17th May 2022 at 8.27 pm. at Bridgerule Village Hall.

Present: Chairman: K. James

Vice- Chairman D. Hale, Councillors: Cllrs J. McDougall, S. Cholwill, K Bowditch, S. Hillier -Cholwill, J. Philpott, F. Cogdell.

In Attendance: Clerk.

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Apologies: Cllr. B. Beadle

Declaration of Interests: The Chairman asked that interests be declared as they arise.

2930. Public Session: No questions raised.

2931. Police Report : No report given.

Crime report received from TDNW Scheme; no crimes had been reported in Bridgerule.

2932. County Councillors Report - Nothing to report.

2933. District Councillors Report – No report given.

2934. Council Meeting Minutes – Minutes 19th April 2022 agreed by councillors present and signed by the Vice-Chairman as correct. Proposed 1st DH 2nd SC, all councillors in favour.

2935. Matters Arising – Clerk checked information to be sent to Planning support via online portal. Councillors verified information held was correct. Clerk to submit online.

2936. To Receive Correspondence : Clerk had received resignation from Cllr. Houghton, this was accepted with regret by the council. Clerk to notify election office at TDC of vacancy. J MD asked if the election notice could be displayed on the new council website, this would be done when received from TDC.

A letter from RES Ltd, regarding duplicate planning permission for Derril Water Solar Farm, Pyworthy.

A local resident asking for assistance with local housing needs, KJ had spoken to TDC regarding this and will reply directly to resident.

Regular emptying of the rubbish bin in the playpark area, a local resident will now undertake this and has supply of bin liners and key to bin to effect this.

Sent : Letter to Westward Housing re a large pothole at the bend, on coming into the road to The Green

2937. Accounts and Accounts due for payment : Finance sheets had been circulated and given to all councillors.

Items due for payment this month were,

£195.00, Grass Cutting May,

£ 45.00, Green Wheelie Bin Annual Payment,

£337.06, Jubilee Mugs,

£ 38.15, Clerks expenses, Ink, Stationery, Stamps

£ 75.00, Accounts Fees

Clerk asked for full approval of training courses for 2 councillors at a cost of £18.00 each course, £36 total next month to enable bookings for these,

No date given yet for completion of Playpark equipment and no 2nd invoice raised.

Annual year end accounts for March 2022 had been circulated to councillors for approval.

Current account balance agreed at £26,615.53 as at 28.04.22

Proposed 1st, KJ, 2nd, DH. All councillors in favour. (Votes for 8, Against,0, Abstentions,0.)

2938. Chairmans Report : Nothing to report

2939. General Repairs : Bus Shelter, needing re- roofing due to storm damage. KJ will organise repair and purchase of roofing felt. A local resident had offered to paint if council provided paint.

Drain Covers/manhole covers, lockable covers had been ordered for the playpark area.

A Tree Guard was needed for the newly planted Jubilee Tree at the riverside, to protect from damage whilst establishing. New tree ties were also needed for support as existing ones were not sufficient. KJ will purchase from Homeleigh.

KJ wished to record grateful thanks to FC for overseeing the planting of the Two Flowering Cherry Trees at Bailey Gardens last month.

2940 : Planning –

1/0303/2022/FULM Redevelopment/demolition of existing clubhouse and adjacent buildings, to provide a replacement central facilities building, amenity areas and associated infrastructure. Hedley Wood Caravan Park, Bridgerule, Holsworthy, Devon.

“The council support the application”.

All councillors in favour.

1/0457/2022/FUL – Reserved Matters application for 9 dwellings, Variation of condition 1 of Planning Approval

1/0405/2019/REM. Land at Grid Reference 226905 102722, Bridgerule, Devon.

“The council has no objection to the application”.

All councillors in favour.

1/0499/2022/FULM –Construction and operation of 42MW photovoltaic (PV) solar farm, all ancillary grid Infrastructure and associated works, (Re-submission of 1/0249/2021/FULM, Land at Monks Farm and Trelana, Pyworthy, Holsworthy, Devon. EX22 6LJ.

KJ abstained from discussion and voting.

“The council has no objections to the above application”.

Votes, 5 for, 2 Against, 1 Abstention, motion carried.

2941. Village Hall : Nothing to report.

2942. Highways : A site meeting had been held with the Highways Management Officer at the new development in Bridgerule.

There had also been a subsequent virtual discussion with the developers and Highways of the site. The developer had agreed to offer the footpath across the site for adoption and further discussions regarding this would take place in due course. The developers had confirmed that the intention was to create a footway on the inside of the existing telegraph pole, rather than move the pole. Discussions were of the kerb line becoming part of the adoption process, reinstatement works adjacent to the new footway, erosion of the verges where vehicles had been parked and photos were taken of the large defect. The developers were aware the western visibility splay needed to be introduced.

Concerns were raised to the Management Officer of the numerous potholes on the B3254, these would be passed to the relevant officer within Highways.

2943. Proposed Formation of new HR Sub-Committee : Councillors discussed the need for a new sub-committee to line- Manage Clerk, and to deal with any future possible complaints about clerk. Options regarding setting up a working sub-committee, versus an advisory committee were stated, as both would require some work in setting up. It was decided to possibly re-visit this in the future when the clerk's workload had reduced to normal. Clerk had obtained some useful

Terms of Reference templates/guides from DALC regarding this topic, and these would be emailed by clerk to councillors for their consideration.

2944. E. MacArthur Bench – Clerk had obtained photos of assorted options of a recycled bench from the NBB Recycled furniture company. These were discussed alongside the original metal bench proposed by an interested party. A memorial bench from NBB would not be suitable, as the size of the plaque would not be large enough to accommodate the proposed plaque and literary details from last year, drawn up by a local artist. It was decided by councillors to purchase a bench from recycled materials, from NNB, without the plaque. The plaque will be obtained from a local provider who would be able to offer a more bespoke design, and this would then be placed onto the centre of the bench, thus providing a visible lasting, literary tribute to Elizabeth MacArthur. Clerk to order bench from NNB. The local artist would be consulted, and approval needed for plaque design and wording. Additional informational wording would need to be added to the plaque's original design and graphics.

Proposed, 1st F.C, 2nd J.P, all councillors in favour.

2945. Clerks Report : -. The accountant had informed Clerk that a VAT reclamation was needed for the fiscal year ended March 2020. The banking mandate would be changed online shortly, to add a signatory and remove a signatory. Clerk to start this process, hopefully in the next month, to begin the application for online banking for the council.

2946. Exchange of Information :

How are the plans for the shop progressing? To agenda this for next meeting for a progress report update,

Bude Literary Society are hosting a talk on Elizabeth MacArthur at the Parkhouse Centre in Bude on Friday 20th May at 3.30 to 4.30pm.

2947. Meeting Closed 10.00 pm.

Date of next meeting : Tuesday 21st June, 2022 at 7.45p.m

Signed by Meeting Chairman :.....

Date of signing :