St Erme Parish Council



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The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11th January 2022 at the St Erme Community Centre

Those present:

Cllr Trethewey (Chairman), Cllr P Hodgkinson (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Riggs, Cllr Light and Cllr Barnes

In attendance:

Mrs Sally Trethewey (Clerk) and two members of the public

180/21 To accept apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr S Jones (unwell), Cllr P Jones (unwell) and Cllr Glasson (Cornwall Councillor)

181/21 Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda

• Councillors to disclose any declarations of interests on any agenda items.

Cllr Trethewey declared a pecuniary interest and Cllr Riggs, Cllr Hodgkinson and Cllr Light declared a non-pecuniary interest on the following agenda item.

14) To receive an email from the St Erme Playing Field Trust regarding the gifting of the Council's gym and toddler equipment at Trispen Football Field to them or to enter into an agreement for a peppercorn lease of the land.

182/21 Dispensations

 Member/s to request a dispensation for an item on the agenda that has just become apparent at this meeting.

There were no dispensations requested

Public Participation (15 minutes)

The public are given 15 minutes to discuss any items on the agenda, after this period the members of the public may stay in the meeting but will not be able to comment or participate.

The Chairman welcomed the members of the public present.

A member of the public expressed their concerns over cars parking at the back of Killigrew Gardens on Eglos Road where they recently witnessed a child running into the road; and asked if there could be parking bays put in off the road.

It was agreed for the clerk to look at the land in question to see if it is adopted highway or privately owned.

Another member of the public expressed concerns over the cost of living rising with utility bills looking to be increased by 50% and asked if there was anything in place to help families that are struggling in the Parish. Would it be possible to set a "100 Club asking residents to pay into a charitable organisation each month to support those that may struggle?

The Chairman stated that the Parish Council are unable to issues grants to individuals and it was something that they would not be able to help with directly. He understands his concerns and agrees that families are going to struggle. He explained that the Council can makes grants to local charitable organisations that could set up such a fund if it is within their constitution of the group.

He stated that the St Erme Playing Field Trust was given permission from the Charity Commission to set up a Community Larder that is still supporting in the region of 40 families.

It was agreed for Cllr Trethewey to bring this item up at the next St Erme Playing Field Trust meeting and will update the parishioner on this. The other option was for members of the community to set up a new charitable organisation for this.

183/21 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th December 2021 The minutes previously circulated were agreed and it was proposed and seconded and therefore

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th December 2021 be approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

184/21 Councillors to discuss any matters with Cornwall Councillor if present Cllr Glasson was not present.

185/21 Clerks update and report

The clerk updated as follows:

- **Broxap Picnic Bench:** The Picnic Bench at the School Playing Field has now been installed and the old bench removed and taken away.
- **Cornwall Council:** Notification of Election recharges for 6th May 2021 have been received which will be £255.00 for our Parish.
- National Highways: 'A30 Penzance to Exeter Ash Dieback'. We have been notified that a survey has been carried out which has revealed several trees suffering from Ash Dieback. Works will be carried out over the Winter for their removal.

Members were reminded of all forthcoming meetings and scheduled training events and had been notified of all correspondences received.

186/21 Planning: -

- a) To consider any planning applications received up to the date of the meeting: -
 - PA21/12658: 15 Treworgan View, Trispen Proposed ancillary building comprising office and gym

This planning application was considered, and it was proposed and seconded and therefore

RESOLVED to support the application with no recommendations

- b) Update on planning issues:
 - Update on Cornwall Council planning decisions.

There were no updates

• Burrington Developments – Northern Open Space.

There were no updates

187/21 Highways:

a) To update on the CNA Highways Scheme

There were no updates on this item

b) To update on reducing the speed limit past the village on the A39.

There were no updates received from Cllr Glasson (Cornwall Councillor) on this item.

c) To discuss the issues of inconsiderate parking at the Eglos Road junctions onto Killigrew Gardens and Polglase Walk, and the repainting of yellow lines in the area. Cllr Light expressed concerns over the parking around the junctions at Killigrew Gardens and Polglase Walk where at times over the last few weeks vehicles were parked on or around junctions leaving access for emergency vehicles difficult.

This item was discussed, and it was noted that the double yellow lines needed renewing and were faded and non-existent in places. It was agreed for the clerk to contact Cormac and request that these are renewed and that an inspection of all the lining in the village should be carried out with a view to renew where required. The Clerk will look at putting a post on the Council's Facebook page about inconsiderate parking.

188/21 To update on the St Erme Community Larder and community support.

The Community Larder is still averaging around 40 families each week, the St Erme Playing Field Trust purchased additional items for the Christmas period using grant monies and donations which were received from members of the community, M & S and Lidl's through 'Neighbourly' and from The Chaos Group.

189/21 Finance:

a) To receive the financial 'Statement of Accounts' for the year to date and to approve payments.

To be approved at the meeting held on Tuesday 11th January 2022								
Name	Details of payment	Co	st	VA	Δ Τ	To	tal	D*
Sage	Payroll	£	7.00	£	1.40	£	8.40	D
O2	Mobile	£	18.00	£	3.60	£	21.60	D
Mrs S Trethewey	Salary Month 9							D
Mr G Brunsden	Salary Month 9							D
Mrs S Trethewey	Expenses	£	138.00			£	138.00	D
St Erme Playing Fields Ltd	Hall Hire - November	£	27.00			£	27.00	
HMRC	3rd Qtr HMRC Payment	£	120.42			£	120.42	
						£1	L,700.67	

The following invoices had also been received since for payment:

- M Pearson (Installation of Picnic Bench): £60.00
- M Pearson (LMP Maintenance): £60.00
- RBS Groundworks Ltd (Supply and installation of post): £300

The above accounts were approved, and it was proposed and seconded and therefore

RESOLVED that the Statement of Accounts and payments be approved as a true record and duly signed.

- b) To receive and discuss the council's receipts and payments against the budget. Members had received copies and there were no questions
- c) Cllr Hodgkinson to report on the council's 'Internal Control' checks
 Cllr Hodgkinson reported that he had carried out the internal control checks and there were no
 issues highlighted. The Clerk will forward a copy of the report to members.

190/21 To discuss and update the trial of street cleansing on refuse/recycling and consider holding community volunteer litter picking days.

This item was discussed, and it was agreed to review the Council's Street Cleansing and consider purchasing additional equipment and a new Council refuse bin. The clerk will meet with the Council's Street Cleanser and will report back at the next meeting with quotations.

It was agreed that it would be good to hold two Community Litter Picking sessions. Cllr Glasson (Cornwall Councillor) was keen to be involved and had put this item forward. The Clerk will contact the local school to see if they would like to be involved on one of the days during the week and to hold another day on a Saturday morning with Teas/Coffees served at the Community Centre afterwards. The Clerk will obtain costings for equipment to be agreed at the next meeting.

191/21 To receive and respond to the following consultations:

 Cornwall Council Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle, Operator and Driver Licensing Policy

This item was discussed and there were no comments

• Cornwall Council's Budget for 2022/2023

This item was discussed and there were no comments

192/21 To receive a 'Local Council Survey on Nature – Empowering Local Communities' project and nominate a representative if agreed to take part.

This item was discussed, and it was felt that this was aimed at more urban areas than rural.

Cllr's Trethewey, Light, Riggs and Hodgkinson had declared an interest on the following item.

192/21 To receive an email from the St Erme Playing Field Trust regarding the gifting of the Council's gym and toddler equipment at Trispen Football Field to them or to enter into an agreement for a peppercorn lease of the land.

As the Council would be inquorate it will be added to the agenda of the next meeting of the Council.

193/21 To consider and resolve to purchase a new litter bin for the Chancery CloseMembers discussed this item and had received three quotations for bins. It was agreed to renew the bin and it was proposed and seconded and therefore

RESOLVED to purchase a new litterbin from Broxap at a cost of £94.00 for Chancery Close.

194/21 To look at community celebrations for the Queens Platinum Jubilee

This item was discussed with various ideas put forward such as a street party, beacon, children's souvenirs etc., and it was felt that the best way forward would be to arrange a meeting as soon as possible with representatives from the local organisations to see what support we would have and ideas on the type of events they would like to see.

195/21 To receive and consider a grant to St Erme Church of £1,500 for the maintenance and upkeep of the Church yard (LGA 1972 s137 monies)

This application was considered, and it was proposed and seconded and therefore

RESOLVED to grant the sum of £1,500 to St Erme Church (under the LGA 1972 S137 monies) towards the upkeep of the Church Yard and for the clerk to arrange payment before the next meeting.

196/21 To receive and respond to a letter from researchers regarding the 'Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities' (FCNM).

Members discussed this item, and it was agreed to respond stating that the Council has an opendoor policy to everyone and would make any arrangements if necessary for inclusiveness.

197/21 To review and extend the Council's Scheme of Delegation and update the Council's Supplementary Standing Orders and Supplementary Financial Regulations where necessary if the Council are unable to meet or are inquorate during the COVID 19 Pandemic.

Members reviewed these procedures, and it was proposed and seconded with all in favour and therefore

RESOLVED to continue with the Council's Scheme of Delegation, Supplementary Standing Orders and Supplementary Financial Regulations while there is still uncertainty with the

COVID 19 pandemic and will review the situation again in April 2022.

198/21 Councillors to report on any meetings attended as representatives:

There were no updates

199/21 To agree the date and time of the next meeting of the Council being held on Tuesday 1st February 2022 at 7.30pm

He above date and time were agreed.

SIGNED CHAIRMAN DATED