

ST DOMINIC PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of St Dominic Parish Council held in St Dominic Parish Hall, St Dominic, on Wednesday 6th July 2016, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillors G Wilkins, Chairman, J Totterdell, Vice Chairman, D Greene, J Davis, E Behennah, K Chapman and D Potter

In Attendance: Mrs L Coles (Clerk) and PC Nathan Jaycock

There were 7 members of the public present.

Item 1. Apologies. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Kisby, Cllr Walker, and Cllr Wenmoth.

Item 2. Declarations of Interest

a) Agenda items. None were declared **-b) Gifts.** None were declared.

Item 3. Consideration of Written Dispensations. None received.

Item 4. Public Participation (including Police Report and Neighbourhood Watch (NW)).

PC Jaycock reported that there had been one crime recorded in St Dominic for June, a Public Order offence. Chris Tomlinson, NW, said that resources will no longer allow for a monthly report to be produced. The NW is up and running and it is hoped to have more recruits by the end of the year. There is an email alert system in place.

Ian Douglas, who lives adjacent to the proposed development at Lower Meadow Rise, (Item 6 of the agenda), had sent a letter of objection to the Parish Council, the main points of which he read out to the meeting. Currently, smallholders who rent the land say that it is too wet to keep animals on. There is concern about flooding if the land is developed; the sewer runs across the land and this development will impact on the current problems experienced at Radland Ford. There is a significant number of slow worms in the field and there is concern about the destruction and relocation of their habitat.

There were no other matters raised.

Item 5. Response to Public Participation. Responded as above.

Cllr Wilkins brought Item 7 forward, with the permission of the Members, for the convenience of the public present.

Item 7. Planning.

a) To consider and **RESOLVE** Council's response to planning applications received before the agenda was finalised:

PA16/05052 Mrs K Lawson, Land South East of Lower Meadow Rise, St Dominic, Cornwall. Outline planning application (all matters reserved) for the construction of two dwelling houses. After discussion it was **RESOLVED** to Object to this application for the following reasons:

a) It is not consistent within Planning Policy, either the saved Caradon Local Plan 2007 or the emerging Cornwall Council Plan, because the site is outside the development window and cannot be considered as infill or an exception site.

b) The Parish Council has serious concerns about the waterlogged nature of the site.

- c) The probable impact on the sewerage facilities, problems with which are already experienced by properties near to this site, are deemed to be untenable. It was **proposed by Cllr Davis, seconded by Cllr Potter, six votes in favour.** (Cllr Totterdell abstained from voting because she had arrived at the meeting after this item had been debated.)
- b) No planning applications had been received after the agenda was finalised.
- c) Planning decisions received from Cornwall Council: The Clerk reported that **PA16/04408**, Mr A Bellas, Pentire, St Dominic, had been **withdrawn**.
PA16/04492 Andrew Coombe, Coombe Park, Westcott Lodge to West Brendon, St Dominic, Cornwall PL12 6TB. **Approved**
- d) There were no other planning matters to be discussed.

Item 6. Public Engagement.

Cllr Chapman said that the Council needs to formally consult with the Parish to see what people want. The Parish Council can then plan accordingly as to what it can deliver or facilitate. Cllr Greene suggested holding a coffee morning, a suggestion box in the Post Office or a board in the Telephone Kiosk. Discussion followed about the ways of engagement and contacting the public. Cllr Chapman and Cllr Davis will draft a leaflet for the next Parish Council meeting. **Cllrs Chapman/Davis** Cllr Chapman will visit the school and start a discussion with them. **Cllr Chapman**

Item 8. To RESOLVE to approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on the 1st June 2016. Cllr Wilkins proposed, Cllr Behennah seconded and all were in favour that the Chairman should sign the Minutes as being a true record of that meeting.

Item 9. Matters Arising from the Minutes that are not an agenda item and Action Tracker.

- The Clerk will contact Scott Cooper, a resident of Halton Quay, to thank him for his very kind offer and to ask if the Parish Council can go back to him if there are further problems. **Clerk**
- Cllr Wilkins is still progressing the gate near Coombe Park. **Cllr Wilkins**
- The Clerk reported that she has sent the rent increase notices for the Allotments and has received a reply from Emma's Florist saying that they will vacate the tenancy at the end of September. It is proposed to advertise the plot of land in the September Newsletter. **Clerk**
- It was reported that Andrew Lawes has left the National Trust.
- The Clerk will contact the St Mellion Parish Clerk regarding the potholes on the hairpin bend and the overgrown hedges on the St Mellion side of the road from Halton Quay to the roundabout. **Clerk**
- Cllr Potter has started the refurbishment of the telephone kiosk in St Dominic. The Clerk will put up a sign re dog fouling. **Clerk**
- Cllr Potter said that a volunteer with a tractor mounted hedge trimmer has offered to trim the lay-by. Cllr Potter will contact him to go ahead. **Cllr Potter**

Item 10. Highways The Clerk has reported the overgrown grass and poor visibility at Viverdon Roundabout. There are potholes between Hunters Oak and The Who'd Have Thought It Inn, just up from Sunningdale Nurseries, between Hunters Oak and Pitt Meadow, and near Mount Pleasant on the bend going out of the village. The Clerk will report these to CORMAC **Clerk** There is still standing water opposite Dovecote in Trehill Lane; it would appear that the drain is in the wrong place. The Clerk will report this again. **Clerk** Cllr Potter said that the white lines outside M&S Haulage are fading and there is a contractor living in the village who is willing to

provide a quote for repainting them. Cllr Potter will give the details to the Clerk, who will also contact Cornwall Council regarding the position on repainting the white lines. **Clerk**

Item 11. Footpaths: update on the St Domenica Heritage Trail Cllr Wilkins thanked Cllr Potter and Gary and Sally Lovejoy for walking the footpaths and giving feedback. The Landowner's Permission form has been received and submitted to Tesco. There was a meeting of the sub-group on Tuesday 5th July. The Clerk will contact Cornwall Council's footpath officer and arrange a meeting with herself and the Chairman. **Clerk** Car parking was discussed. The local school has been approached regarding designing a logo. The Parish Church is particularly keen to be involved in the project. Joe Lawrence, National Trust, will approach the tenants and inform them what is happening with the public footpaths across tenanted land. There is to be a Volunteers Day on 18th September, between 10am and 4pm, and the footpaths in Nanny Rowes wood will be worked on. The National Trust is investigating insurances and the Clerk will look at the Parish Insurance. **Clerk**

Item 12. Recreation Ground Cllr Wilkins has looked through the ROSPA Report and sent an email to Playsafety regarding the BMX track. The repairs that are needed were discussed. It was suggested that the Clerk contacts Mr Pote, who cuts the grass, to ask if he is able to carry out some of the repairs and at what cost. **Clerk** The Clerk will contact Playsafety and ask why the play equipment beside the school has not been reported on. **Clerk**

Item 13. Reports from other Groups

- a) Parish Hall Management Committee. The Committee has now accepted a quote for the new fencing around the hall but is still waiting for the plans for the new toilets. On the 15th October there is to be a 'Pasty and Pud' evening, with tickets priced at £6. Cllr Greene suggested that the Clerk is given a key to the Parish Hall to facilitate opening for the Parish Council meetings. Cllr Totterdell will discuss this with the Committee.
- b) Grants. Nothing to report.
- c) Community Network Area. There was no report.

Item 14. Correspondence

- a) Email from Rebecca Coombes re idea for expenditure of Burcombe donation.
- b) Email from Gary and Sally Lovejoy re idea for expenditure of Burcombe donation.

Both Noted and Clerk will respond. Clerk

Item 15. General Finance. a) Payments and Receipts for June

Proposed by Cllr Davis, seconded by Cllr Totterdell, with all in favour.

RESOLVED to pay:

- Cheque Number 001052 - Linda Coles, Clerk's salary and expenses for June
 - Cheque Number 001053 - £50.00 The Post Office, HMRC PAYE for Clerk for June
 - Cheque Number 001054 - £15.07 – Cornwall Council, printing of Newsletter
 - Cheque Number 001055 - £20.00 St Dominic Methodist Church. Hire of hall
 - Cheque Number 001056 - £600 – J Pote, Grass cutting 28/04 -23/06.
- b) **Receipts:** VAT Reclaimed for 2015/16 £470.71.
 - c) It was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman signed the bank reconciliations for June, **proposed by Cllr Davis and seconded by Cllr Chapman with all in favour.**
 - d) Interest bearing deposit accounts. Cllr Wilkins proposed that an alternative deposit account was opened, which would potentially yield more interest than the Lloyds account, there was no seconder and so the motion was not carried. It was **RESOLVED**

that the Clerk will look at British owned banks and Building Societies only, and report back to the next Parish Council meeting. **Cllr Davis proposed, Cllr Davis seconded, four votes for, 1 against and 1 abstention. Clerk**

Item 16. Any Other Business

Cllr Potter reported that the signage at Vogus Lane is confusing, the sign saying The Cross is down the lane, and the emergency services could experience delays in finding the location.

The Clerk will contact Highways about the positioning of the sign. **Clerk**

Cllr Potter reported that the salt and grit bins at Ashton and Victoria Terrace are broken, filled with water and need replacing. The Clerk will investigate the costs of replacing/refilling the bins. **Clerk**

Cllr Potter said that, although this is not in the Parish, the 'Welcome to Callington' sign is obscuring the vision for drivers of vehicles turning out of Fullerford Road onto the A390. The Clerk will report this to Road safety at Cornwall Council. **Clerk**

Item 17. Items for the Next Agenda

There were no items for inclusion.

Item 18. Date of Next Meeting. The next meeting of St Dominic Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 7th September 2016 commencing at 7.30pm** in the Parish Hall, St Dominic.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm.

Signed.....Dated.....
Chairman, St Dominic Parish Council

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