

## 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 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017, commencing at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Councillors, G Wilkins, D Greene, E Behennah, J Wenmoth, S Brady, G Walker, D Potter and J Davis

**In Attendance:** Mrs L Coles (Clerk), Cllr J Flashman (Cornwall Council)

There were 3 members of the public present.

**Item 1. Apologies.** Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Totterdell.

**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. Casual Vacancy.** The Casual Vacancy has been advertised, closing date 15<sup>th</sup> December. Interviews will be held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018

**Item 5. Public Participation (including Police Report and Neighbourhood Watch (NW)).**

A member of the public raised a concern over the location of the Granite Stone Sign and suggested that it was moved to the long grass verge which leads after Viverdon Down Roundabout to the crossroads at post Box Corner. Cllrs Wilkins, Brady, Potter and the Clerk met with Paul Allen, Highways, yesterday and it was agreed that the stone could be moved further down the splay, on which it had been erected originally, towards M&S Haulage. A discussion followed, after which it was agreed that the Chairman will measure the stone and the end of the splay and will erect a cardboard template to indicate the new location and invite comments. The Clerk will inform Paul Allen. **Clerk** A member of the public also mentioned the stones in the lay-by at Pentire. Cllr Greene said that this has been mentioned to her by another member of the public. A discussion followed regarding liability for damage to vehicles caused by the stones. The Clerk will write to Highways and ask if the stones are legally placed and where the verge starts in relation to the highway. **Clerk.** The Clerk will also write to the resident at Pentire and point out the considerations of liability. **Clerk**

**Item 6. Response to Public Participation.**

Responded as above

**Item 7. Planning.**

a) To consider and **RESOLVE** Council's response to planning applications received before the agenda was finalised: **PA17/10776.** Governing body of St Dominic CE Primary school, St Dominic VA School, Vogus Lane, St Dominic PL12 6SU. External works comprising of a new shelter in the playground. **(Cllr Walker declared an interest in this item, as a School Governor, he will remain in the room but will not take part in the debate or vote.)** The parish Council discussed this application. There were concerns raised over the size of the shelter in relation to the area of playground and whether The National Trust, as Landlord, was aware of the intended development. It was **RESOLVED** to support the planning application, **proposed by Cllr Brady, seconded by Cllr Davis, six votes for with one**

**abstention** (Cllr Walker did not take part in the voting)

**PA17/10665** Mr and Mrs S Stevens, Squirrel Cottage, St Dominic, Saltash Cornwall. Formation of 2 parking bays. It was felt that the proposed bays will help with the parking issues in the village. It was **RESOLVED** to support this application, **proposed by Cllr Behennah, seconded by Cllr Walker with all in favour.**

- b) Planning applications received after the agenda was finalised: None received.
- c) Planning decisions received from Cornwall Council: **PA17/02940** Pre-application advice for subdivision of existing barn to form 2 dwellings and retain rest for agricultural purposes – The Barn, Welltown, Callington, Cornwall PL17 8AE. Status- Closed-advice given. **Noted**
- d) Other planning matters. No other planning matters.

**Item 8. To RESOLVE to approve the Minutes of the following meeting:**

**Parish Council Meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017** it was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman should sign the Minutes as being a true record of that meeting. **Cllr Walker proposed, Cllr Behennah seconded, seven votes for with one abstention (Cllr had not read the Minutes).**

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

The disclaimer sign has been put up in the Recreation Ground.

The Clerk will ask that the Callington sign near Fullaford Road is removed, laid down against the hedge to increase visibility, whilst funds are being sought for its relocation. It was agreed that this is much more dangerous in its present position than the Granite Stone that the Parish Council has been ordered to lay down pending its move to a safer location. **Clerk**

**Minutes:**

Page 28, Item 9, Cllr Wilkins has spoken to Jeremy daw who will make some brackets for the rickety picnic shelter.

Page 28, item 9, The Clerk circulated a draft for the Newsletter and a discussion followed. It was agreed to defer this item to the February meeting of the Parish Council.

Page 28, Item 11, Cllr Wilkins has sanded down the Notice Board at Halton Quay.

Page 28, Item 11, The video for the St Dominica Heritage Trail needs to be downloaded onto a USB stick, given to the web providers, who will upload it on to the website. **Clerk**

Page 29, item 14, The Clerk will concentrate on the Advertisers in the Newsletter in January 2018. **Clerk** Cllr Brady suggested that the Committee meets in January.

The Clerk gave a report on her attendance at the Localism Summit.

Cllr Wilkins attended an update on the Safe Cycleway proposal at St Mellion.

The Clerk will give Brian Jones the dates of meetings for the Parish Diary. **Clerk**

**Item 10. Highway Matters**

**a) Signs for Vogus Lane and The Cross.**

Cllrs Wilkins, Totterdell, Potter, Brady and the Clerk met with Paul Allen to discuss the signs at Vogus Lane and The Cross. It was agreed that the Vogus Lane sign will be moved to the side of School House. The Cross sign will be moved up to the bus shelter. Cllr Wilkins walked the bottom of Vogus Lane with Paul Allen, but Cornwall Council will not take any action to prevent off-roaders using the lane. Cllr Wilkins suggested adopting Vogus Lane as a footpath.

**b) Granite Sign Location Update.** Already covered.

**c) Parking in the Parish.** The Parish Council welcomed the planning application at Squirrel Cottage to put parking bays in the garden. Vehicles are parking on the

pavement near the Methodist Chapel. There are parking problems at the bottom of Baber Lane. It was agreed to keep a track on what is happening especially if parked vehicles are impeding access for the Emergency Services. Mini Bus Parking – Cllr Potter asked if the bus could be parked in the Telephone Exchange compound, in a coned area. The Clerk will write and ask. **Clerk**

- d) Priority signs at M&S Haulage** Cllr Wilkins and the Clerk discussed this matter with Paul Allen, Highways. Cornwall Council will not support taking any action on this issue and there is no facility for the Parish Council to do anything. Cllr Greene suggested looking at moving the hedge on the opposite side of the road to M&S Haulage. Cllr Flashman will put pressure on Highways to look at this.

**Item 11. Footpaths** Cllr Wilkins will speak to Robert Howard about trimming the path from the Church end to Peppers Court. **Cllr Wilkins**

**Item 12. Recreation Ground.** There was nothing to report. Cllr Wenmoth thanked Cllr Potter for doing her duties last month.

**Item 13. Storage Container at the Parish Hall** The Clerk has yet to contact Planning regarding permissions needed. **Clerk**

Cllr Potter said that Storage Containers suffer with major problems of condensation and therefore an insulated container would be required. This item is on the Parish Hall Committee Agenda for January.

**Item 14. Reports from other Groups**

- a) Parish Hall Management Committee.** It was reported that a profit in excess of £500 was made at the recent Carol Concert.

**Item 15. Correspondence.**

- a)** Email from Cornwall Council re Minerals Safeguarding Development Plan Document. **Noted**
- b)** Communities and Devolution Bulletin. The delivery of future waste and street cleansing arrangements. **Noted**

**Item 16. General Finance. a) Payments and Receipts for November.**

**Proposed by Cllr Potter, seconded by Cllr Brady, with all in favour.**

**RESOLVED to pay:**

- Cheque Number 001183 - Linda Coles, Clerk's salary and expenses November
- Cheque Number 001184 - £71.60 -The Post Office, HMRC PAYE for Clerk for Nov
- Cheque Number 001185 - £375.00 – CF Piper & Son, delivery & fitting of Granite Sign
- Cheque Number 001186 – £224.48 -Cornwall Council recharge re May 17 Elections
- Cheque Number 001187 - £15.50 -St Dominic Parish Hall, Hire of Hall for PC Meeting
- Cheque Number 001188 - £11.27 – Cornwall Council printing of Nov Newsletter
- Cheque Number 001189 - £12.00 – Cornwall Council, 1 x Delegate for Planning Conference
- Cheque Number 001190 - £460.80 – L Coles (CF Piper & Son) reimbursement for purchase of Granite Stone, paid in advance
- Cheque Number 001191 - £7.96 – Cornwall ALC Limited, 2 x Good Councillor Guides
- Cheque Number 001192 - £715.00 – J Pote, Invoice 98, grass cutting, hedge trimming, preserving of wooden play equipment.

- Cheque Number 001193 - £25.84- G Wilkins, materials for the Granite Stone.
- b) **Receipts:** Allotment rents, £830.99 in total, Bank Interest 0.73p
- c) Bank Statements and reconciliations for November were circulated and it was **RESOLVED** to sign them as correct. **Proposed by Cllr Davis, seconded by Cllr Potter with all in favour.**
- d) Budget and Precept. The Clerk circulated a copy of the draft Budget and Precept proposals to the Members for 2018/19. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to increase the Precept for 2018/19 by 2.5%. **Proposed by Cllr Wilkins, seconded by Cllr Davis with all in favour.**

**Item 17. Any Other Business**

Cllr Potter has spoken to the owner at Dovecote, Trehill Lane, who has rodded the drain to clear the standing water.

It was suggested that the Parish Council gets together with St Mellion Parish Council and St Mellion International Resort to plant shrubs on Viverdon Down Roundabout. The Clerk will write to both parties to see if there is any interest in this. **Clerk**

Cllr Brady said that the Parish Council can apply to Tesco for funding.

Cllr Brady said that the lane that she lives on was not regraded and the National Speed Limit still applies, and it is a two-way road (sign is needed). The Clerk will write to Highways. **Clerk**

Cllr Wenmoth said that people are still concerned that the owner of Pentire will seek adverse possession of the lay-by that he maintains.

Cllr Greene would like to explore the possibility of a landowner giving up part of some land for horse riders to have a facility to gallop their horses.

Cllr Behennah said that people are still driving over the bund onto the main road. Cllr Flashman said that this is being addressed with the installation of a post and rail fence on the verge.

Cllr Wilkins reminded everyone about the Bird Box making event in the Parish Hall on February 3<sup>rd</sup> 10am-2pm.

Cllr Wilkins reported the positive comments on the Granite Stone sign.

**Item 18. Items for the Next Agenda**

- Purchase of Display Cabinet
- The Christmas tree at the Parish Hall
- Horse Riders in the Parish/Gallop Facility

**Item 19. Date of Next Meeting.**

The next meeting of St Dominic Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018 commencing at 7.30pm** in St Dominic Parish Hall, St Dominic.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

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

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