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HAMLETS

The monthly Parish Council meeting was held on Wednesday 21st April as an online meeting through Teams. Present were Cllrs. J Hobbs (Chair), S Braund, J Colwill, R Francis, J Phipps and B Richards, Susan Joyner (Clerk) and Samantha Daly. Apologies were received from Cllrs. K Boundy, H Rogers and R Savage.

The Chairman confirmed that the April edition of Hamlets was available on the website. Although the content is quite sparse at present, hopefully future issues will be full of upcoming events and news and there will be a regular date set for it to be published on the website. People are able to download and print copies directly from the website and also via a link on the Morwenstow Facebook page.

It was noted that there have been more complaints about the overhanging trees and the hedges along the road by Chapel Levels. As recorded last month this issue has been reported to C C. Their response is that they do not consider the matter to be a problem at present; and they are monitoring the situation. We get these complaints every year and it eventually falls on the C C to do some trimming when it should be down to the owners of the land. It was suggested that this is a matter for our County Councillor to take on board, once appointed.

In the past 2 weeks the hand sanitiser unit at the playpark has been broken twice, by youngsters playing football against the side of the shelter. This is damaging the shelter and if we can't provide hand sanitiser the playpark will have to be closed. The actions of a few will spoil it for the many. The issue has been reported on the Morwenstow Facebook page and it is hoped that the boys in question will be made aware of the issues and use the mini pitch in future. It was suggested that we keep our eye on this and discuss again next meeting. The work on phase 2 of the playpark refurbishment, the Infant Assault Course, is due to start in May.

Tenders received for the footpath and coast path cutting, playpark and Aunt Amy's Garden maintenance, and the cleaning of the C C public toilets (when opened) were all accepted. No tenders were received regarding the cleaning Duckpool toilets although we would not be able to comply with the National Trust regulations that would require them being cleaned a minimum of twice a day at present.

There were 2 planning applications discussed: PA21/02142; proposed annexe at Trevonna, Mr & Mrs Hodgson and PA21/02536; Certificate of Lawfulness for existing building works at White Oak Farm, Mr & Mrs Croft. Both applications were supported.

The Chairman thanked the Councillors and the Clerk for their support throughout the past year. He then thanked those Councillors that were not standing for re-election, some of whom had been Morwenstow Parish Councillors for many years, and the retiring Clerk and for all their hard work, support and dedication to the Parish over the years. He welcomed the new Clerk/RFO to the role.

The next meeting will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council that will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 19^{th} May, immediately followed by the monthly Parish Council meeting. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26^{th} May.

Susan Joyner, Clerk to the parish Council

EDITORIAL

Email your articles to - jsphippsmpc@hotmail.com

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If you wish to contact the Chairman of the Parish Council on any matter, please telephone Jonathan Hobbs on (01288) 331236

USEFUL DATES

(All subject to change or cancellation until further notice)

Rubbish & Recycling collections – **Recycling** – Monday 10th & 24th May

Parish Council – 3rd Wednesday (except Aug & Dec) (1st Wednesday – additional planning meeting if required)

Post Office – Mondays 12.30 - 3.30pm, Thursdays 1.00 - 3.00pm

Walking Football for the over 50's Contact Dave Rivett on 901288) 331814



MORWENSTOW COMMUNITY CENTRE

What a long time it seems since we last wrote for Hamlets; it's lovely to see it back in its new format – thank you to everyone involved. On behalf of everyone on the Community Centre committee, we hope that you and yours are well.

We are now working towards re-opening the Community Centre. Rather than our usual Spring Clean get together, committee members are working in pairs to thoroughly clean the premises in time for the elections. We are continually watching the government updates so that we are doing all we can to be in line with their safety guidance.

The photograph competition is on again this year and we have received many amazing entries. In early May we will be displaying the photographs on our website and opening the online voting process. Please look on our website (http://www.morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk) and Morwenstow's Facebook page for more details.

FAMILY NEWS

Such a long time has passed since the last Family News. Funerals have been so different, with limited numbers able to attend. None of this means that those affected in this way have not been thought of during such difficult times

We take time to remember those known to us that have passed away and wish their families to know they have been thought of.

We remember:

Stuart Heywood Jodie De Rosa Patricia Moore (nee Brown) Grenville Colwill Laleen Sara Morrison-Brown Peter Bramhill Gordon Teague Richard Alan Cann Colin Hales Stephen Marc Boundy Jayne Amos-Yeo Don White Anne Tape John Littlejohns Walter Doreen Cholwill Alison Dunbar Evans

We apologise to the families of anyone we have missed, it has been difficult to collate information after all this time. All have been thought of just the same.

Those who are unwell and those in Hospital with family and friends unable to visit due to regulations have been and continue to be in all our thoughts.

We remember those working for the NHS, teaching staff, children and students, all who have been affected by the chaos which corona virus has caused.

We wish every happiness to anyone who has moved house, whether they have taken up residence in the parish or have left and moved farther afield.

PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE

Parish Council update on the public toilets in Morwenstow: The Parish Council regrets that the toilets outside the Community Centre and those at Duckpool (owned by The National Trust) are unable to be opened at the present time. In order to meet current hygiene standards required at this time, the toilets would need to be cleaned at least twice every day. Recent risk assessments carried out have shown that this is just not possible.

The matter will be reviewed regularly and the Parish Council thanks you for your patience and consideration.