

Morwenstow Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 15th February 2017 at 7.30pm in Shop Chapel

Before the meeting began the Chairman welcomed everyone and a minutes silence was held in memory of John Littlejohns who had been clerk to the Parish Council between March 1947 and February 1949.

1. **Attendance** The meeting was Chaired by Cllr. Hobbs. Also present were Cllrs. Boundy, Braund, Colwill, Francis, Rogers, Savage and Wickett and the clerk.
2. **Apologies** Were received from Cllrs. Chapman and Tilbey. **Absent:** C Cllr. Dolphin.
3. **Minutes** Of the meeting held on 18th January were agreed and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.
4. **Matters arising from the Minutes** N T to add more about planting in their Tidna Valley Plan; N T will send details of dig at Duckpool when available; Results of traffic survey sent to Police Liaison for their input; Kilk PC thanked for Duckpool money; letter sent to MP re possible hospital closures; reply received from C C re footpath responsibilities from resident; John Cleave happy to co-ordinate beacon for Battles Over Britain tribute in 2018 and will be asking for materials in Hamlets nearer the time; CIL consultation response was sent; reply sent to Ben King re finger post repairs.
5. **Dispensations/Disclosure of Interest for items on the agenda** None
6. **County and Town & Parish elections 2017** Awaiting further details from C C. Clerk to attend training session 23rd February. 12 candidate packs to be ordered.
7. **Standing Orders amendment from CALC** Agreed to adopt amendments as advised by CALC.
8. **Aunt Amy's Garden maintenance** Agreed to spend an amount of £200 p. a. on maintenance. Cllr. Hobbs to speak to Paul and Mark Jenkins, as was agreed in July 2016 meeting.
9. **National Trust Duckpool toilets update** Cllr. Boundy met with Lucy Parkins and Neal Kingdom from N T to discuss repairs that were needed. N T were going to send a further surveyor to price up the works. Not yet heard back from N T. Clerk to chase end of February if not heard by then. Toilets due to re-open for Easter.
10. **Annual play park inspection** Resolved to ask N Adams to carry out inspection again. Price £3.00 dearer than 2016.
11. **Appointment of internal auditor for 2016-17 accounts** Resolved to ask H Taylor to carry out internal audit again.
12. **Annual Parish Meeting arrangements** APM will be held on 24th May. Claire Sherwood from North Devon Hospice will be speaker. Clerk to ask Devon & Cornwall Police to attend as well.
13. **Correspondence**
 1. Scott Mann MP Hospital closures
 2. CCFFS Sustainable Drainage Systems report
 3. C C LGA(MP)1976 adoption of Part II
 4. C C Help hedgehogs campaign
 5. C C Environmental conference
 6. Grantscape East Youlstone Community Benefit Fund
 7. Cornwall AONB Annual conference
 8. Woodland Trust Survey
 9. Various Regular newsletters/other

All noted. Item 1 & 6 to go in Hamlets. Item 4 & 6 on noticeboard. Item 8 response sent.
14. **Members Reports** Cllr. Boundy reported a broken drain before Eastcott, leaves on road at Hobbs Choice and the junction sign for Eastcott on the A39 that had been dislodged. Cllr. Hobbs to contact Glen Hayden. Cllr. Rogers noted that children were walking down roadway during the evening wearing dark clothing and not being seen by traffic. Cllrs. also noted that adults out walking dogs at night were hard to be seen. Note to be put in Hamlets reminding people to wear something light or luminous when walking out at night. Broken light at Crosstown to be reported.
15. **Finances – payments totalling £1689.26 for authorisation**

1668	Lonsdale	Hamlets February issue	£100.05	A15 15/2	LGA1972 s111
1669	S Joyner	Transparency grant	£480.41	A15 15/2	A9 21/9 LGA1972 S111
1670	Outdoor Playpeople	Play equipment balance	£1033.80	A15 15/2	A7 21/9 LG(MP)A1976S19
1671	Shop Chapel	Room hire February	£10.00	A15 15/2	LGA1972 S111
1672	R Savage	M H Christmas Tree	£65.00	A15 15/2	A6 21/9 LGA1972S137

All agreed for payment. Cheques signed by Cllrs. Colwill and Rogers. Invoices checked and signed by Cllr. Hobbs
16. **Any other business the Chairman considers of urgency** None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm