

# Morwenstow Parish Council

Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held on  
Wednesday 20th September 2017 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre

1. **Attendance** Meeting chaired by Cllr. Hobbs. Also present Cllrs.: Boundy, Braund, Colwill, Francis, Phipps, Richards, Rogers and Tilbey, C Cllr. Dolphin and the clerk.
2. **Apologies** received from Cllr. Savage.
3. **Minutes** of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> July were agreed and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.
4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes** After 5 months of negotiations with BT, and appalling service, they eventually advised that they would not proceed until we had paid an exorbitant amount to have a line connected to the Community Centre. The cost would be more than the amount of the grant the Council had received for the whole project. Project on hold for the time being. Permission received from landowner with regard to working his side of fence when carrying out fence repairs. Cllr. Savage not present so no update on the discussions with the National Trust concerning logs in the river by the slate bridge or S W Water regarding the overflowing outfall ditch at the Crosstown sewer.
5. **Dispensations/Disclosure of Interest for items on the agenda** None
6. **Parish Maintenance:** Quotes not yet received for the fence repairs. In Hand. Resolved that the manhole cover at the North West corner of the playing field should be brought up to standard. Cllr. Francis to obtain quote for the work. Resolved that the playpark equipment did not need further repairs. To be assessed next Spring. The Chairman thanked Cllr. Colwill for the excellent job he had made of painting, varnishing and repairing the items. Cllr. Colwill wanted to thank Stephen Braund, Colin Ingram and Brian Joyner for their help.
7. **Councillor Training:** Cllr. Hobbs found the course most instructive and gave a brief outline of the training he had received. All Councillors should try to attend the Code of Conduct training on the 25<sup>th</sup> September. All Councillors that receive Council information by email should have a separate email address for Council business. Councillors to set up and advise clerk of new details.
8. **Neighbourhood Planning:** Letter received from Launcells P C regarding the possibility of a joint Neighbourhood Plan with them and Kilkhampton P C. Resolved that the costs were likely to be hefty and that no benefit could be seen in having a Neighbourhood Plan at this time. Clerk to respond to Launcells P C.
9. **Community Centre public toilets insurance:** Community Centre confirmed that their insurance now covered the actual building but not the contents or public liability. Our insurers, Zurich, confirmed that we were covered for public liability under our existing policy. Resolved that Cllr. Hobbs would bring the subject of insurance for all users of the Community Centre up at the next C C committee meeting.
10. **Annual Audit** The external audit had been completed and 'Notice of Conclusion of Audit' issued by Grant Thornton. There were no issues apart from the fact that the internal auditor had ticked a box as a yes when she should have put n/a, although this was not an option on the form. She had completed the section the same way for the previous 4 years but it had not been queried before.
11. **Correspondence**
  1. CALC August newsletter & Boundary review details and meeting
  2. CALC Waste Collection Inquiry
  3. C C Chris Monks Footpaths maintenance update
  4. C C/ N C Cluster Group Footpaths funding agreements
  5. South West Coast Path Coast Path walk
  6. CNP Promas courses
  7. Resident Letter re road markings outside school
  8. Cornwall Council Standards Committee vacancy
  9. Cornwall Air Ambulance Grant acknowledgement
  10. Cornwall Council Planning training response
  11. Cornwall Smaller Councils Meeting notification
  12. Nick Adams Playground Inspection training
  13. Mark Harper Property enquiry
  14. Various Regular newsletters/other

All correspondence noted. Item 2 clerk to respond for service to continue as at present. Item 3 C Cllr. Dolphin to contact Cormac re problems with footpaths 12 & 14. Item 6 clerk to put in Hamlets. Item 7 clerk to respond to Cormac asking to be put on list for TRO and C Cllr. Dolphin will also contact Cormac with this request. Item 12 C Cllr. Dolphin to raise at October Community Network Panel meeting to see if other Parishes interested in the training to reduce costs. To discuss further when interest known. Item 13 clerk to respond advising Mr Harper to contact Cornwall Council.

## 12. Members Reports

Cllr. Rogers reported that the 30mph road signs approaching Shop from Crosstown were ineligible. Cllr. Francis reported that the hedge along Chapel Levels was overgrown causing tall vehicles to use the middle of the road, and also the hedge from Dene Lodge to Ruxmoor was overgrown. Cllr. Hobbs to contact Glen Hayden about all the above. Cllr. Boundy reported that he had erected new direction signs along the footpath around Hamm Mill. He had received complaints about the verges that had been sprayed with weedkiller along the road from Shop to Crimp. Rubbish had fallen from the recycling van between Ruxmoor and Woodford Cross, due to the flaps on the van not being closed when travelling. C Cllr. Dolphin to report to Cornwall Council. There is a lot of water on the road at Eastcott from Meadows side down, due to a culvert overflowing. A back ditch had been filled in and there was nowhere for excess water to go. Also there was a sink hole outside Heathfield again. Cllr. Hobbs to speak to Glen Hayden about both matters. Cllr. Hobbs reported that the pump had stopped at Duckpool toilets. Papa Pumps were asked to look at.

## 13. Finances – cheque nos;1699-1705 for authorisation and cheque nos; 1706-1709 for payment.

1699	Cornwall Air A	Grant	£350.00	Charities Act 2006 2 (2)(d) A9 19/7
1700	Chadd's	Duckpool toilet supplies	£17.60	PHA1936 s87 LGA1974 Sch14p9
1701	Lonsdale	Hamlets Aug/Sept	£95.25	LGA1972 s111
1702	Bridgman's	Playpark materials	£116.01	LG(MP)A1976 s19 A9 17/5
1703	J Colwill	Playpark materials	£17.99	LG(MP)A1976 s19 A9 17/5
1704	M C C	Rent/storage Apr/Jun	£102.00	LGA1972 s111
1705	J&L Jukes	Hedge cutting	£60.00	LG(MP)A1976 s19 A7 19/7
1706	KW Sluggett	Footpath cutting	£748.80	LG(MP)A1976 s19 A8 21/6
1707	Chadd's	Duckpool toilet supplies	£55.10	PHA1936 s87 LGA1974 Sch14p9
1708	E Hobbs	Duckpool cleaning	£336.50	PHA1936 s87 LGA1974 Sch14p9
1709	PSJ Gdn Svs	Footpath cutting	£980.00	LG(MP)A1976 s19 A8 21/6

All cheques agreed and authorised for payment. Cheques signed by Cllrs. Boundy and Colwill. Invoices checked and signed by Cllr. Hobbs. Statement of accounts shown to members.

## 14. Any other business the Chairman considers urgent None

**The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm**