# **Morwenstow Parish Council**

Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre

- **1. Attendance** The meeting was Chaired by Cllr. Hobbs. Also present were Cllrs. Braund, Francis, Savage and Tilbey, Mr David Lang, Mrs Julie Phipps, Mr Benjamin Richards and the clerk.
- 2. Apologies Cllrs. Boundy, Colwill and Rogers Absent without apology C Cllr. Dolphin
- **3. Co-option of new Councillors** The Chairman talked to the candidates about the commitments involved with becoming a Parish Councillor and invited the three candidates present to read their statements. The Chairman then read the statement from the fourth candidate. A ballot took place and Julie Phipps and Benjamin Richards were invited to join the Council and complete their Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
- **4. Election of Officers** The election of officers to the unfilled positions then took place. Cllr. Tilbey was elected as Building Regulation Officer; Cllr. Phipps was elected as Transport Representative and Cllr. Richards was elected to the new position of Flag Master. Susan Joyner agreed to continue as Hamlets editor for the time being. New email addresses are to be set up for all Councillors for Council business.
- **5. Minutes** The minutes of the annual meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May were agreed and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.
- **6. Matters arising from the minutes** Notice put in Hamlets but Cllr. Colwill had not received any offers of help with the play park maintenance. He will start work next month. Thanks to Cllr. Rogers for doing the flowers for the Council at the Church Flower Festival. Still waiting for Openreach to fit cable for internet. Three times they have not turned up on the arranged date. No update from C Cllr. Dolphin regarding the new bus timetables or the road markings outside the school.
- **7. Dispensations/Disclosure of Interest for items on the agenda** Cllr. Francis declared an interest in item 9. For planning meeting dispensations see planning minutes
- **8. Footpaths and grounds Quotes for cutting** Quotes received from K Sluggett and P Jenkin for the playing field maintenance, footpath and coast path cutting. Resolved to accept all. Cllr. Francis to get quote, with public liability insurance and risk assessment, for cutting hedge and bank at playing field.
- **9. Tenders for C C public toilets** Confirmed that tender be sought for C C public toilet cleaning contract, to be billed and paid quarterly per visit, not per hour, as was originally set up.
- **10. Insurance renewal cost and requirements** Zurich Insurance confirmed that cover for toilets would be part of the policy taken out by the Community Centre with the rest of the buildings cover. Chairman confirmed this with the Community Centre. Cllr. Francis confirmed he will carry out the checks on the play park equipment.
- **11. Electoral Review of Cornwall** As there were three Councillors absent and two new members, It was resolved to discuss this at the July meeting to give all the members a chance to read the information available before submitting a response.

#### 12. Correspondence

1. Cornwall Council Planning Policy and Guidance consultation

Cornwall Council Letter from Adam Paynter
Cornwall Council Footpath/Road closures

CALC Training courses
National Trust Duckpool update
Community Centre Thank you letter
Cruse AGM invite
Cornwall C F F Information

9. Ramblers Assn Notification of footpath works

10. Visitor Footpath complaint11. Resident Drainage query

12. Various

All discussed and noted. Item 1 discuss next meeting. Item 4 Chairman to attend training session. Items 9 & 10 Cornwall Council aware and response sent. Item 11 response sent.

## 13. Members Reports

Reports had been received concerning fly tipping on the cliffs at Tonacombe Farm. Rumoured that there had been an organised beach clean and this was the rubbish that had been put into dumpy bags and left. Clerk to report to C Cllr. Dolphin. Cllr. Boundy had had dealings with Cormac/Cornwall Council regarding footpaths; closures and maintenance. They do not seem to be taking logical decisions and a complaint letter is to be sent. Cllr. Francis reported that there are still road works signs that need to be removed. Cllr. Hobbs to speak to Glen Hayden. Cllr. Francis reported that the fence between the field and the C C car park was rotten and loose. It was resolved that as this was an emergency the work should be done as soon as possible. Tenders to be asked for. Note to be put in Hamlets. Cllr. Tilbey reported that the car parts at Rule Cross had been removed after C C had been contacted. Also asked if any repairs were to be done to the fingerposts in the Parish. To be looked into. Cllr. Hobbs reported that Glen Hayden was trying to get the resurfacing between Gooseham and Rule Cross to be extended to include the pot holes by the school.

### **14. Finances** – payments totalling £819.53.

1689 Zurich Insurance renewal £608.17 A10 17/5 A14 21/6 LGA1972s111

1690 Lonsdale June Hamlets £ 95.25 A14 21/6LGA1972s111 1691 S Joyner Computer supplies/post£ 33.45 A14/21/6LGA1972s111

1692 Chadd's Duckpool supplies £ 82.66 A14 21/6 PHA 1936 s87 (LGA 1974 Sch14 p9)

All agreed for payment. Invoices checked and signed by Cllr. Hobbs. Cheques to be signed.

## 15. Any other business the Chairman considers urgent

Cllr. Boundy had wanted to bring to the attention of the council the death of the Lady Mary Holborow on 9<sup>th</sup> June this year. Lady Mary Holborow was Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall between 1994 and 2011 and was greatly admired and respected. He gave this tribute 'I met Lady Mary at the opening of the bird hide at Upper Tamar Lake. I would just like to say what a wonderful lady I found her to be. She was so easy to talk with and I shall always cherish my memories of that day. I was saddened to hear of her passing.'

The Chairman advised that July Hamlets would be delivered to him for distribution as Cllr. Rogers was away and that several of the distributors were also away so people may get their copies a bit later than usual. It was resolved that a letter be sent to C Cllr. Paula Dolphin regarding her non-attendance at our meetings. (She has attended just 2 since April 2016). This is unacceptable.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm