## **Morwenstow Parish Council**

Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre

Actions

**1.19/9 Attendance** Cllrs.; Hobbs (Chair), Boundy, Braund, Colwill, Francis, Phipps, Richards and Rogers, members of the public; Neil Rees, Steve Titterrell, Gary Martin and the Clerk.

**2.19/9 Apologies** Received from Cllrs. Savage and Tilbey. **Absent without apology** C Cllr. Dolphin.

The Chairman reminded the Councillors that apologies and reasons for non-attendance at a meeting should be made to the Clerk before the meeting, not via a third party.

- 3.19/9 Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 18th July were agreed and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.
- **4.19/9 Matters Arising from the Minutes** Cllr. Hobbs confirmed that following the Bude CNP meeting he would be attending a Highways Fund Expression of Interest meeting with Oliver Jones. Also a meeting concerning Neighbourhood Planning, and if anyone had any questions that could be asked at this meeting, please let him know. The Clerk had contacted Outdoor Playpeople to accept the quote for matting under the slide. Response to the Boundary Commission regarding the electoral review of Cornwall had been sent. No comments on the Draft Validation Guide consultation were received, so no response sent. Clerk advised Jeff Cherrington about the concerns of overnight parking at Duckpool. He was going to look into the matter.
- 5.19/9 Dispensations/Disclosures None.
- **6.19/9 To discuss appointment of Auditor for 2018/19** Unfortunately, due to personal circumstances, Hudson Accounting are no longer able to act for Morwenstow in future years. A quote was obtained from R Larter, who was considered last year, of £100 plus mileage. It was resolved to accept the quote. Clerk to contact Mr. Larter.
- **7.19/9 To discuss the appointment of a new trustee for Morwenstow United Charities** One of the current trustees, Mr A Rowland, has written to the Council tendering his resignation as trustee of the charity. After discussion a possible successor was suggested and it was resolved that the clerk write to him, offering him the position. Thanks to Alan for all his hard work over the past years.
- **8.19/9** To discuss Broadband installation and security Cllr Richards advised that the quote for the line and broadband would be £32 per month. Router to be purchased at a cost of around £50. Expenditure would be covered by the grant funding already received for this purpose. It was resolved that the installation should go ahead and a security consultant was to be contacted for internet safety advice. The Chairman thanked Cllr. Richards for his involvement.
- 9.19/9 To hear update on obtaining Council maps No update at present.
- **10.19/9 To hear update on removal of Post box in Shop** Royal Mail have erected a new post box adjacent to the bus stop in Shop. It is expected to be commissioned for use shortly.
- **11.19/9 To discuss complaint from resident regarding traffic through Coombe Valley** There have been complaints about the size and number of tractors, trailers and contractors vehicles using the road through Coombe Valley. The road is totally unsuitable and too narrow for this heavy traffic. Resolved that Clerk should contact Cornwall Council Highways department.
- **12.19/9 To Discuss arrangements for 'Battles Over'** Confirmed that countrywide beacons are to be lit at 7pm and church bells rung at 7.05pm. Cllr, Boundy to confirm lighting of beacon with landowner. Wood will be needed for the beacon and date and place for it to be taken to be advised in November Hamlets when confirmed. The Community Centre will be providing soup and Colin Tape will play at the service and accompany singing.

## 13.19/9 Correspondence

9. Torridge & N D C C

1. C C Consultation on draft revised Statement of Principles - Gambling Act 2005

2. C C CIL consultation

3. C C4. C CLicensing Act Policy consultationSelf catering waste collection letter

5. CALC Letter re merge of D&C Police with Dorset Police

Local Plan

6. North Cornwall Cluster Group Concerns re Neighbourhood Planning

7. Cornwall AONB Survey and newsletter 8. Neetside CC Annual Report

10. Various Regular newsletters

All the above noted. Response to item 2 sent.

## 14.19/9 Finances: To agree cheques for payment and confirm current statement of accounts and schedule with bank statements.

Cheques nos; 770-776 were agreed for payment. Signed by 2 signatories. Statement of Accounts spreadsheet agreed by all and signed. Bank statements agreed and signed by 2 Councillors. Invoices checked and signed by Chairman. Expenditure against precept checked and agreed figures within forecast. Resolved to approve all.

Lonsdale	Hamlets	£	95.70
Bridgmans	Ironmongery for swing	£	3.36
J Nicholls	Repair wall by bus stop	£	60.00
Bridgmans	Ironmongery for swing	£	2.64
Chadd's	Duckpool utilities	£	42.59
Aquiss	Phone & b/b line	£	98.00
PSJ Garden Svs	Footpath cutting	£1	125.00
KW Sluggett	Footpath cutting	£	748.80

**15.19/9 Members Reports** The following issues were raised: The permissions required to carry out building works for change of use on a residential property. The Chairman is to make enquiries. Duckpool toilets – The water level has been too low for the hydram to work, meaning that there is an insufficient supply of water to the tank. This has resulted in the toilets being closed on a number of occasions. At present the toilets are still not open. To be discussed at the October meeting. There was a complaint about the size of farming vehicles using the roads. Some of the vehicles are so large that they take up the whole of the carriageway, making it impossible for other traffic to pass. There is also concern about the excessive speeds being done. Although some of the roads have a 60 mph limit on them, it is felt that this is just too fast to be travelling on these minor roads. Cornwall Council have advised Cllr. Boundy that materials are all in place for the building of a new bridge on the public right of way at Tidnacott and this is to commence shortly. No work has been scheduled for any of the other footpaths that are presently closed.

16.19/9 Any Other Business the Chairman considers urgent None.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm