Morwenstow Parish Council

Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20th November 2019 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre

1.20/11 Attendance: Cllrs.: Hobbs (Chair), Boundy, Braund, Colwill, Francis, Phipps, Richards, Rogers and Savage and the Clerk.

2.20/11 Apologies were accepted from Cllr. Tilbey and C Cllr. Dolphin

3.20/11 The minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2019 were agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting.

4.20/11 Matters Arising from the Minutes and updates– **for information only:** The new 'No overnight parking' sign at Crosstown has been missing since Openreach worked in that area. Clerk has contacted Openreach and they are looking into it. An email received from C Cllr. Dolphin shortly before the meeting advising that she was in contact with some Parishioners regarding the traffic problems in the Parish was read. Furze Stores have agreed to help with the library review. Community Centre to get back to us. Cornwall Council are looking into taking action regarding the vehicle in the lay-by at Woolley.

5.20/11 Dispensations/Disclosures: None

6.20/11 To agree precept for 2020/21: A discussion took place regarding the forecast budget for 2020/21. It was proposed that in order to cover ever rising costs and to enable necessary improvement works to be carried out around the Parish, the precept should be raised to £17,000. The proposal was seconded and agreed unanimously. Resolved to set the precept at £17,000 for 1920/21. SJ

7.20/11 To agree response to SW Coastal Access report: Cllr. Boundy gave a comprehensive report on the proposals for improved access to the SWCP between Marsland Mouth and Duckpool that Natural England had submitted to the Secretary of State and his views on their proposals. It was resolved that his response would be submitted to Natural England. SJ

8.20/11 To discuss Website Accessibility Requirements actions: Cllr. Richards advised that he had carried out the basic accessibility check as per the Government Digital Service instructions. He confirmed that the website met the requirements of this check and that there was no need for further action.

9.20/11 To confirm risk assessments carried out for toilets, playpark and trees for insurance purposes: All checks had been carried out regularly and recorded. Cllrs. Boundy and Francis presented their toilet checks sheets. There were no issues. Any issues with the C C public toilets had been dealt with. Cllrs. Colwill and Francis presented their sheets for the playpark checks. There were no issues outstanding. Cllr. Hobbs presented his sheet covering the trees and greens checks. No issues reported.

10.20/11 To re-cap Register of Interests and Code of Conduct: As there had been a number of Councillors absent from the October meeting, Cllr. Hobbs reiterated to all that that if there are any changes to their Register of Interests then they need to be recorded. He also reminded the Councillors of their responsibilities as a Councillor and that they are summonsed to the monthly meetings and have a duty to attend if at all possible. He suggested that all attend the next Code of Conduct course that is organised.

11.20/11 To agree grants for cemetery maintenance and grant requests received: It was resolved that grants of £250 for the Parish Church and £125 for each of the Chapels towards the maintenance of their cemeteries would be awarded. It was also resolved that an amount of up to £80 would be given for the purchase of a Christmas tree to be erected outside the Community Centre. Cllr. Savage to purchase.

12.20/11 To discuss a response to the proposed changes to the Supplementary Planning Document: Several Councillors had read the document through and it was agreed that it covered the aspects well. No response to send.

13.20/11 To discuss Playpark Committee meeting: Cllrs. Colwill, Hobbs and Savage had attended a meeting at the playpark with a representative from Outdoor Playpeople to discuss the options available. A quote had been received for providing 6 new pieces of equipment at a total cost of £30,000 plus VAT. It is to be decided exactly what pieces could be included and a further 2 quotes from other companies will be obtained. Cllr. Colwill asked if the Council would agree to put a small amount towards the project if grants could be obtained for the remainder. It was resolved that up to £1,000 could be put towards the project. Discuss in January and put a piece in Hamlets asking what equipment users of the playpark would like to have there.

14.20/11 Correspondence 1. Bruno Peek

2. Cornwall Council

3. Bude Area CNP

V E Day celebrations 8th May 2020 Localism Summit information Community Road Safety Forum 3rd December at Launceston Sprint Event 28th November 'What's on Diary' survey

	Community Business Trade Up programme	
	Activism against gender-based violence launch	
4. Cornwall Streetworks	Temporary road closures	
5. Community Centre	Letter regarding lease information	
6. GWR	Timetable changes	
7. S Cooper	Climate change	
8. Various	Regular newsletters	

'Village Works' project

All noted. Item 1, It was agreed that we should take part in the V E Day celebrations next May. Cllrs. Hobbs and Braund to coordinate. Item 3, Chairman and Clerk will attend and any other Councillors that can make it. Item 7, CALC is providing information to assist with the FOI request.

15.20/11 Finances: To agree cheques and direct debit for payment and confirm current statement of accounts and schedule with bank statements. To review expenditure with budget forecast. All cheques and direct debit agreed for payment and cheques signed by 2 signatories. All invoices checked and signed by Chairman. It was resolved that the amount of £90 agreed as minute ref: 7.20/3/19 was to be increased to cover the extra amount that had to be paid to ensure the public liability cover was adequate. All Councillors agreed spreadsheet of accounts with bank statements. Signed by 2 Councillors. Budget forecast for 2019/20 expenditure was checked and confirmed that spending was within forecast. Resolved to approve all.

Lonsdale	Hamlets	£97.05
Community Centre	Room rent and storage	£76.00
A Rowland	Parish map purchased from O S	£14.44
CALC	Course x 2	£78.00
S Joyner	Travel	£45.00
E Hobbs	Duckpool toilets	£555.91
Morwenstow PCC	Grant	£250.00
Shop Chapel	Grant	£125.00
Woodford Chapel	Grant	£125.00
Aquiss	C C broadband	£34.00

16.20/11 Members Reports – **for information only**: Cllr. Savage reported that he had received concerns about the new ridge height of a property. Enquiries to be made. Cllr. Francis reported that there was a large amount of mud on the road from Woodford to Lee Cross where power cabling work was underway. Cllr. Colwill reported an accident had occurred near Heathfield where a pothole that had been filled needed repair again. Cllr. Hobbs reported that he had been notified of a serious accident on the road from Lower Woodford to Lee Cross due to moss growing on the carriageway. This was the third accident in this area. Clerk to report all highway issues.

17.20/11 Any Other Business the Chairman considers urgent: None

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm