



Millbrook Parish Council

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 16TH JULY 2019 AT 19:30PM IN THE BALCONY ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT: N. Roberts (Chair), S. Lewis (Vice-Chair), H. Wood, R. Meeson, C. Wilton, B. Taggart, S. Woffenden, P Polák, R. Vincent, E. Edwards

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk R. Hamill | There were no members of the public

31) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies received – all members were present.

32) PUBLIC FORUM & COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

The Clerk gave an update on behalf of the County Councillor stating that the consultation for the joint Rame Peninsula Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) had now closed, but any late comments received before the end of July would still be considered. He added that the consultation report is expected to be available by the end of the month.

Cllr Wilton informed the Council that Citybus had contacted him, in his capacity as Chairman of Maker with Rame Parish Council, stating that the hedgerows from Fourlanesend School to Millpool Head need a good cut back as some buses have lost wing mirrors in recent weeks. Cllr Wilton had informed Citybus of the landowner. They also stated that the hedgerow between the graveyard and Millpool Head also needed cutting back. Cllr Wilton asked Citybus to contact the Clerk. The Clerk stated that he had replied to Citybus and passed the information on to Cormac, who maintain the area in question.

33) DECLARATION OF INTERESTS, GIFTS & DISPENSATIONS IF REQUIRED

Cllrs Roberts & Taggart declared interests in item 36A.

34) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A) MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL 18/06/19

It was proposed by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr Lewis that the minutes are a true and accurate record. Motion carried unanimously by all members present at the meeting.

35) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & REVIEW OF ACTIONS

A) DEVOLVEMENT OF WEST STREET PLAY PARK AREA

No update.

B) AIR CONDITIONING UNIT / AWNING FOR THE COUNCIL OFFICE

No update.

C) REPAIR OF THE NOTICEBOARD AT INSWORKE

No update.

D) SIGN FOR THE TANYARD

The Clerk stated that the sign had today been displayed on the Tanyard wall and a post stating the purpose of sign had been shared via the Council's social media channel.

E) BARBEQUE SLAB OPPOSITE LIME KILN

No update.



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F) REPLACEMENT OF TENNIS COURT KICKBOARDS

No update.

G) DISABLED BAY FOR VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

No update.

H) REPAINTING OF RED WALKWAY IN VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

No update.

I) REMOVAL OF BOLLARDS IN WEST STREET CAR PARK

No update.

J) PROVISION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) CHARGER

No update.

K) OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT

Cllr Woffenden stated that the consultation for this matter was now live and there had been lots of responses so far. She asked that other members share the survey. Cllr Lewis asked that paper copies also be made available for those who don't use social media.

L) USE OF HERBICIDES TO CONTROL WEEDS

The Clerk informed the Council that both Cllr Taggart & Cllr Vincent had attended a Cornwall Council Alternatives to Pesticides Workshop. Both members gave updates to the Council, stating that there are a number of potentially feasible alternatives, such as steel brushes for the mechanical sweeper, hot foam or infrared heat treatment. The matter was then discussed at length by various members of the Council. Cllr Taggart summarised the matter by stating that he felt the way forward may be to trial all of the alternatives and that an audit of surfaces & locations would need to be drawn up. Finally, he added that one other alternative presented was to change people's opinion on what a *weed* is i.e. do nothing and let so-called weeds grow naturally.

M) HEIGHT RESTRICTION BARRIER IN GREENLAND

The Clerk updated the Council on how this action had progressed, stating that the manufacturer could make the barrier within 2 weeks. It was also agreed that the height restriction be set at 2 metres. Cllr Wood stated that he was concerned that this might move the problem to another car park or area in the village. Cllr Meeson stated that he thinks the Council should install height restriction barriers in the Village Hall Car Park. Cllr Wilton suggested that we amend the regulations to prevent business vans from using the Village Hall Car Park. Matter to be added to September's agenda.

N) CLIMATE CHANGE EMERGENCY

The Clerk updated the Council on this matter stating that himself, Cllr Woffenden (the Council's Climate Change Liaison) & Cllr Polák attended the first meeting of the Rame Peninsula climate change group. Cllr Polak added that there was a very interesting project looking at waste on the peninsula and if we could recycle it locally. Both Councillors also stated that the work already being undertaken by the Council was very well received. Cllr Meeson stated that having spoken to Waterwise, he had been advised that the idea of providing public drinking water in the Tanyard may not be feasible due to hygiene concerns. Cllr Wilton asked if the idea of recycling plastic to be used in roads had been discussed. The Clerk stated that it was not discussed at the meeting.

36) FINANCE

A) APPROVAL & PAYMENT OF BILLS AS PRESENTED AT THE MEETING (APPENDIX A)

The Chair and Cllr Taggart left the room at 20:15.

It was proposed by Cllr Wilton and seconded by Cllr Lewis that the bills be paid as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The Chair and Cllr Taggart returned to the room at 20:18



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B) MONTHLY BUDGET (APPENDIX B)

The Council took note of its financial position.

37) REPORT FROM CLLR EDWARDS REGARDING SUSTAINABLE HEATING IN MILLBROOK VILLAGE HALL.

Cllr Edwards informed the Council that the Village Hall Committee were looking at replacing the hall's oil central heating system with an atmospheric heat exchange system. The committee wished to know if the Council would be willing to help fund the system. The Chair asked if there were any grants available. Cllr Edwards stated that there were many. Cllr Edwards stated that the committee was still trying to decide upon the exact system being used and that this was just to make the Council aware of the proposal. Cllr Meeson added that he believed an air source heat pump had been installed above the charity shop if the committee were seeking advice. Cllr Wilton asked if the committee had considered LPG.

38A) DOES THE COUNCIL APPROVE THE QUOTATIONS TO REPLACE THE EQUIPMENT IN THE PLAY PARK?

This matter was discussed at length by members of the Council. It was proposed by Cllr Wilton and seconded by Cllr Lewis that the Council does approve the replacement parts as quoted. Motion carried unanimously.

38B) DOES THE COUNCIL WISH TO SEEK GRANT FUNDING FOR THE ABOVE?

It was proposed by Cllr Wilton and seconded by Cllr Lewis that the Council does not seek funding for the above, but seeks funding for all new equipment. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no other business, the Chair closed the meeting at 20:43.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Hamill', written over a horizontal line.

R Hamill, Clerk