

Minutes of the Meeting of South Hill Parish Council held in the Parish Hall, Goldberdon on Tuesday, 20th September 2016 at 7.30pm.

1.. Councillors Present: Cllrs. D Hicks (Chairman), G Clemerson (Vice Chairman), T Brewer, D Brent, D Skelton, A Budd, J Gale, N Easton.

Also attending: Mrs J Hoskin (Parish Clerk)
Cllr S McWilliam (Cornwall Council)

2. Public Session: There were no members of the public present.

3. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. D Smith, Mrs W Trewin.

4. Members Declarations of Interest: None declared at this stage of the meeting.

5. Minutes: The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 19th July 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman following an amendment to Item 8 deleting the work 'broken'.

6. Matters Arising: There were no matters arising from the minutes.

7. Cornwall Council update: Cllr S McWilliam presented two leaflets to the Parish Council providing information on 'standing to be a Cornwall Councillor' prior to the elections in May 2017. Also the strategic government review 'Primed for Success' looking at the working operations of Cornwall Council. Cllr McWilliam reported on the award won by the troubled family services department. The Chairman spoke about the problems of getting through to Cornwall Council departments on the phone and in particular the difficulties in contacting specific officers. The role of the Community Networks was discussed and their future roles. Many 'one stop shops' had now closed and buildings provided a desk telephone for the public to use. It was felt priority should be given to improve communication skills with local councils and the public. Fly tipping and the current arrangements for the removal of rubbish were noted.

8. Parish Council Website: Nothing to report.

9. Highway Matters: Fly tipping at Camelot contained two lorry wings and a car seat.

10. Neighbourhood Plan – update. Feedback from the public and letter from Mr D Skelton:

Councillors had all received a copy of a letter from Cllr D Skelton. The contents of this were discussed along with Councillors views on the draft plan already produced. Cllr G Clemerson and the team were congratulated on their work and commitment to this project. Independent advice had been sought throughout the process of producing the plan and although councillors respected the views of Mr Skelton in his letter, felt that a comment relating to the actions of councillors was incorrect and Mr Skelton was asked to retract this from his letter.

Cllr T Brewer highlighted the bad atmosphere being created amongst councillors in relation to the plan saying personal feelings should be put to one side and the Council should, with respect for each other, get back to working together.

It was agreed that a separate meeting be held to discuss the Neighbourhood Plan and all public comments will be copied to each Councillor before the meeting. Representatives from Cornwall Council will be asked to attend along with Cllr George Trubody who had led the Rame Peninsula Plan. Proposed dates for this meeting were the 18th or 25th October 2016. The Clerk will attend to record the minutes of the meeting.

11. Recreation Field: Cllr T Brewer reported that the contractor had not been cutting the grass back to meet the foot of the hedge. Cllr D Skelton had received a response from the police about the dog being brought into the play area and the owners had been contacted.

The vehicles of visiting football teams continued to park in the main car park area using the spaces that should be kept available for those using the hall. The Callington Colts had been contacted and their use of the field could be terminated if they continued to encroach on areas obstructing the use by others. Cllr N Easton had spoken to the ladies of the sewing group who were upset by the language of visiting players.

Cllr T Brewer reported that the damaged wire fencing and the hanging on the gate to the hall car park had not yet been repaired.

12. Allotments: Some allotment holders had questioned the lack of water facilities on the site although in the past this had been obtained from harvesting water from the shed roofs via guttering and water butts. Options that could be considered were the provision of a water bowser, the connection of mains or alternatively to move the site to another location where water was already provided.

13. Grazing Licence – Rent payment owed to Parish Council: Having received no response Cllr J Gale offered to pursue this matter on behalf of the Parish Council and was given authority to seek to recover the money owed.

14. Footpaths – Cornwall Council Local Maintenance agreement for trimming of public rights of way. The Council agreed to join the Cornwall Council Local Maintenance project and reclaim costs for the trimming of the public rights of way carried out by an appointed contractor.

The Clerk and Cllr N Easton had endeavoured to obtain way marker discs.

The Chairman had been contacted about obstructions along Footpath 17.

It was confirmed that matters relating to Footpath 21 at The Old Post Office were now in the hands of Cornwall Council who were dealing with matters relating to an obstruction and a request to have a section closed.

15. BT intention to remove the payphone kiosk at Golberdon. Having received notification that BT were intending to remove the kiosk at Golberdon the Council agreed to adopt the structure and retain it as part of the villages history. The equipment will be removed.

16. Representative reports:-

- **Caradon Community Network** – No report / meetings held.
- **Police** – No report received.

17. Planning: To consider / report on application received, including:-

PA16/07514 Dr David Jackson, Higher Bearland Barn, Haye Road, Callington –

Application for removal of Condition 3 of Decision Notice E2/03/00542/FUL for conversion of redundant barn to residential unit. Alteration of existing vehicular / pedestrian access to highway and installation of septic tank, namely permitted development restriction condition.

Application withdrawn.

18. Accounts / Financial Matters – to approve accounts presented for payment. The Council approved the payment of accounts presented.

Audit for 2015/2016: Councillors authorised the Clerk and Chairman to sign the accounts and Annual Return form and forward to Grant Thornton.

19. Correspondence:

- Clerks & Councils Direct magazine – September 2016
- Letter from residents asking that an article be published in the South Hill Connection newsletter speaking publicly that the parish accepts people of different sexualities. The Council had no objection should the magazine editors be happy to respond.

20. Parish Matters / Any other Business:

- **Golberdon Bus Shelter** – Ivy was growing inside the bus shelter.
- **Occupancy of caravans** – Cllr S McWilliam will report the siting of people living in caravans between Higher Frogwell and Callington and Mill Lawn (St Ive parish).
- **Trevigro junction** – A car was regularly parked on the junction at Trevigro and across the front of the parish bench.
- **Overgrown hedges** – Councillors noted sites where hedges had not been trimmed and it was agreed that letters be sent to landowners. The Clerk and Chairman to establish addresses.

21. Date of next Meeting: Tuesday, 18th October 2016.

22. To close the Meeting: There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm.

Dated: 18th October 2016

Signed: