South Hill Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of South Hill Parish Council held in the Parish Hall, Golberdon on Tuesday, 16th May 2017 at 7.30pm.

1..Councillors Present: Cllrs. D Hicks, Mrs L Moir, Mrs W Trewin, D Smith, T Brewer, D Skelton, A Budd, D Brent, N Easton.

Also attending: Mrs J Hoskin (Parish Clerk) Cllrs. Sharon Daw and Jim Flashman (Cornwall Council) Fourteen members of the public

2. Councillors to sign their 'Declarations of Acceptance of Office: Following the election on the 4th May 2017, Councillors signed their 'Declarations.

3. Public Session: Cllr D Hicks welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited the members of the public to address the Council if they so wished. Public views and concerns were expressed about the pre-application submitted to Cornwall Council for housing at Tregonnett road making reference to policy 9 of the Local Plan, exception site and the lack of evidence for local need /affordable housing. The public were advised to write direct to the planning department highlighting their concerns. The Parish Council were unable to make any comments until a full application had been received.

The public were also invited to express their views on the proposal to divert Footpath 21 at The Old Post Office, Golberdon

(Members of the public left the meeting – one parishioner remained)

4. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Gale.

5. Members declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda: Cllr N Easton declared an interest on Agenda Item 18 – Footpath 21, having been consulted as a local resident.

6. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman for the forthcoming year:

Chairman – It was proposed by Cllr Mrs W Trewin and seconded by Cllr D Brent that Cllr D Hicks be re-elected as Chairman.

It was proposed by Mrs L Moir that Cllr N Easton be elected as Chairman. This proposal was not seconded.

Cllr D Hicks was duly elected with a majority vote and accept the position.

It was suggested that an item be placed on the Agenda of a future meeting to discuss a 'fixed term' timescale for the Chairman's position.

Vice Chairman – It was proposed by Cllr T Brewer and seconded by Cllr N Easton that Cllr D Skelton be elected as Vice Chairman.

It was proposed by Cllr A Bud and seconded by Cllr Mrs W Trewin that Cllr D Smith be elected as Vice Chairman.

Following a 3 / 3 vote the Chairman gave his casting vote that elected Cllr D Smith as Vice Chairman.

At this point of the meeting Cllr N Easton expressed his personal view that the Parish Council was shambolic, and needed a change in protocol and procedure. This was supported by newly elected Cllr Mrs L Moir.

Election of representative for the Neighbourhood Plan Committee – Cllr D Smith proposed that Mr Geoff Clemerson remained the Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan for the forthcoming year. This was seconded by Cllr D Hicks.

Cllr Mrs W Trrewin proposed the committee be re-elected en-bloc and this was seconded by Cllr Cllr Mrs L Moir. All were in favour.

South Hill Connection – It was agreed that Cllr D Skelton remained the Parish Council representative for this organisation.

7. Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on the 18th April 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

8. Matters Arising:

Item 10 Parish Wells – Cllr N Easton stated that the correspondence / email about the wells had not been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.

9. Planning Applications / Planning Matters:

PA17/02584 Miss Hazel Wilson, Vue, Maders, Callington – Construction of wooden double garage. Application supported at the last meeting.

10. Accounts / Financial matters – to approve the accounts presented for payment: The Council approved the payment of accounts as presented by the Clerk.

The Chairman confirmed that he had spoken with the new appointed auditor.

11. Correspondence – to include email from resident regarding parish wells and the article published in the Stoke Climsland parish newsletter highlighting the BBC's search for features of community value. Agreed that parishioners be consulted.

- Cornwall Association of Local Council newsletter
- Cornwall Council dates for Councillors Code of Conduct training throughout Cornwall
- South Hill Peacemakers requesting permission to use the edge of the field near the hall as a car park for their event on the 13th -15th July 2017. The Parish Council supported this request.
- o Clerk & Councils Direct May 2017

12. Cornwall Council update: The Chairman welcomed newly elected Cllr Sharon Daw. Cllr Daw had little to report as the council were in the process of starting their work following the 4th May 2017 elections. The Council had not yet formed an administration and the first full council meeting was being held on 23rd May 2017.

13. Parish Council website: Cllr D Smith continued to update the website. It was suggested that Councillors photos be published alongside their names . Agreed to place this item on the agenda for the next meeting.

Cllr N Easton asked if the website could link to the Chairman and Clerks email addresses and maybe contain an enquiry link for the public to complete that would be linked to the specific email addresses. Cllr D Smith will make enquiries with the website provider.

14. Highway Matters – to report highway matters requiring attention:

- Jericho Lane large pothole
- Tregunnett to Bicton Mill potholes
- Signpost to Maders Cllr S Daw agreed to follow up this matter.

15. Neighbourhood Plan update: Cllr D Smith gave an update on the Neighbourhood Plan and the timescale for the legal compliance and six week consultation process.

16. Recreation Field – update on grass cutting: Cllr T Brewer reported on the amount of rubbish collected from around the football pitch before the grass could be trimmed. Cllr D Smith offered to speak to the football club about keeping the site tidy. The signs and seat repairs were identified. The gates and fencing were still to be repaired.

It was suggested that the gate be locked but this would mean someone having to take responsibility for this.

Cllr N Easton will retain the reports from the contractor identifying the work undertaken.

Cllr Easton had organised a volunteer working day on Sunday, 25th June to carry out minor work, tidy and cleaning to the play areas. Cllr T Brewer felt it was not necessary to do this on a Sunday. The Parish Council had not been notified, but agreed it was good to get the community involved. The Parish Council will fund any materials and Cllr Daw stated she had some funding available from her Councillors Community Benefit Fund.

Further consideration will be given to creating a sign for the hall made with the granite roller.

17. Allotments: Nothing to report.

18. Footpaths – to consider and respond to the proposal by Cornwall Council for the diversion of Footpath **21** at The Old Post Office, Golberdon:

Cllr N Easton declared an interest.

The Parish Council agreed to support, in principal, the diversion providing the surface is of a firm base and the proposed steps be replaced with a ramp on a slight gradient.

The Clerk will source some way marker discs for the footpaths.

19. Representative Report from the Caradon Community Network Meeting: Next meeting to be held in June 2017.

20. Parish Matters / Any other Business:

- **Parish Council safe** The Parish Council will decide whether or not they wish to keep the safe.
- **SHARE** were holding an event on the 26th June 2017 and asked for permission to use the field. This was agreed. Ideas were welcomed for this years funding.
- **BT phone box:** Councillors were asked to think of ideas for the future use of the BT kiosk, once adopted.
- **21. Date of next Meeting:** Tuesday, 20th June 2017
- **22.** To close the Meeting: There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Dated: 20th June 2017

Signed: