

NORTH HILL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11th OCTOBER 2021

Present:

Mary Budge
Brian Ruby
Mervyn Stephens
Richard Randall
Steve Sandercock
Courtney Walters
Adrian Parsons

In Attendance:

Mrs A Jones (Clerk)

The Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall with the Chairman welcoming all present.

1. RECEIVING APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 1.1 Cllr D Daniells – Apologies Sent
- 1.2 Cllr S Maher – Apologies Sent
- 1.3 Cllr R Hudson – Apologies Sent

2. PUBLIC SESSION

- 2.1 No Members of the public in attendance

3. MS ELLIE WATSON NEIGHBOURHOOD ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CORNWALL HOUSING

- 3.1 Ms Ellie Watson is unfortunately poorly and is unable to attend this meeting. Councillors wish the Clerk to arrange Ms Watsons visit for November's meeting.

4. APPROVING MINUTES

- 4.1 Minutes from 13th September 2021 to be amended due to incorrect information. 1. 2.1 Cllr Steven Sandercock. 2. 5.1 Cllrs S Sandercock abstained from voting due to not attending the site meeting. 3. 8.4 Clarification is needed, as previously agreed during discussion at the Meeting held in Augusts. Once amendments made it was proposed and agreed 1st Cllr M Stephens 2nd Cllr R Randall. All Councillors in favour of the Chairman to sign.

5. REVIEW OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Reserved matters application following outline approval PA20/10240 for the provision of an agricultural workers dwelling with all matters reserved Land West of Landreyne Manor Penhole Road Coads Green Launceston Cornwall PL15 7LZ Ref. No: PA21/06947. Proposed to Support 1st Cllr S Sandercock 2nd Cllr M Stephens with Councillors MB, AP, CW in favour. Cllr B Ruby abstained as he believes Cornwall Council does not listen to the comments made by the Parish Council.

6. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

- 6.1 CALC – A number of courses are available for Councillors and Clerks to attend if they so wish. No Councillors are wanting to do so at the moment.

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6.2 Launceston MIU - We are pleased to confirm the minor injury unit at Launceston Hospital has reopened today, on 1 October 2021, as promised. The minor injury unit will return to its core hours and will be available 7 days a week from 8am to 8pm, although as before there may be times when resources from this unit are used to support other minor injury units. As before, anyone who thinks they need support for a minor illness or injury should contact NHS 111 before travelling to this or any other unit or go online and use the NHS 111 symptom checker. This helps us to ensure people are directed to the best resource while also helping us to maintain social distancing in our waiting areas. As you may be aware, the Trust is investing over £400,000 into the hospital to upgrade the x-ray facilities. This work will start at the end of the month, on 31 October. The investment will see the replacement of the 20-year-old x-ray machine and will take approximately 12 weeks to complete (excluding Christmas). While the work is undertaken, the x-ray provision at the hospital will be suspended and will recommence on completion of the work in mid-February 2022. Up until October 31st the Monday to Friday x-ray services will continue to be available at the hospital from 9am to 5pm. All other services including inpatient care and the minor injury unit will continue to operate while the work is undertaken.

8. REVIEW OF CLERK'S REPORT

- 8.1 Play Area – The Play Area has an open day on Saturday 23rd October for all members of the public to attend. Chairman has organised refreshments and has requested the presence of Paul Hamlyn of the Cornish and Devon Post. The Chairman has also asked if Councillors can make and donate cakes for the Grand Opening. Mr Robert Latham has accepted to cut the ribbon. The feedback from the Play Area so far, is excellent.
- 8.2 War Memorial – It has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that there are several names which have been missed off the War Memorial at Congdons Shop. Councillors would like to look into either having these names added or to place a plaque within the fenced off area. Clerk to check with the Official Authorities if either are possible.
- 8.3 Community Grants 2021 – Due to the large amounts of money which has been spent on the Play Area, the Clerk has suggested either to 1. Suspend issuing grants for 2021, or 2. Smaller Grants to be issued to Community Groups. Councillors wish to make smaller donations to local groups, but the Parish Council still will require Supporting Statement, Annual Accounts and the prices of the items that are wished to be purchased. Clerk to submit to the Village Newsletter in readiness for the meeting in December.
- 8.4 Remembrance Sunday Service – Cllr M Stephens to check with Rev J Smart if her availability is still ok. PSCO Ross has confirmed her attendance.
- 8.5 Oliver Jones – The Clerk has received a response from O Jones. The only authorised sign is the 20mph zone where a picture can be placed in the panel underneath. Anything else can only be placed with specific DfT authorisation. Highways are awaiting further confirmation on the proposals to roll out 20mph zones and the process for site evaluation, so there will hopefully be some further guidance in the coming months. Councillors wish to Register Interest for North Hill and Bathpool.
- 8.6 HSBC – The Chairman and Clerk visited HSBC and spoke to the Bank Manager Launceston Branch. It seems that HSBC returned the Cheques issued to Biffa and Kompan as they are for a large amount of money and did not match their mandate records. HSBC did contact the

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Chairman for verification, but the Chairman thought it was a scam call and took no further action.

- 8.7 Middlewood Notice Board – Cllr R Randall has looked into the replacement Notice Board for Middlewood and has been in constant contact with Mr D Jackson. Cllr Randall has provided 4 different quotes 1. £744.00 2. £1288, 3 £769.00 4. £539.00. Councillor S Sandercock proposed number four at £539.00 2nd Cllr A Parsons with all Councillors in favour.

9. FINANCES

- 9.1 Authorisation of Expenses – Proposed 1st Cllr A Parsons 2nd Cllr S Sandercock with all Councillors in favour.
- A Jones Postage £30.30
 - North Hill Village Hall £30.00
- 9.2 Wages - Wages of £719.64 to cover room rent, internet and mobile costs were authorised.
- 9.3 Update of Current Account as of 28 September 2021 - £33468.65
- 9.4 Update of Savings Account as of 11th September 2021 - £6997.86
- 9.5 Monthly Budget Sheet - Provided for information. No comments were raised.
- 9.6 RAG - Provided for information. No comments were raised.
- 9.7 Half Year Report – Parish Clerk has provided a Half Year Report for Councillors and a Breakdown of the expenses for Kompan.

10. “ONLINE BANKING”

- 10.1 The Bank Manager also suggested during our visit that the Parish Council should look into doing “Online Banking”. All Councillors in favour. Proposed 1st Cllr B Ruby 2nd Cllr R Randall.

11. NEXT MEETING

- 10.1 Next Meeting - Monday 8th November 2021 at 7.30pm, North Hill Village Hall.

Meeting ended at 9.13pm.

Sign & Date _____
Chairman