

15th October 2019

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SANCREED PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT SANCREED VILLAGE HALL, SANCREED, ON 15TH OCTOBER 2019 AT 7.30PM

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Councillors Mr Ian Soulsby (Chairman), Ms Sue Freeman, Mr Ivor James, Mr Tommy James and Mr Robert Eddy.

ALSO PRESENT

Councillor Mrs Helen Hawkins and Mrs Alexis Male (clerk).

20-75. APOLOGIES

Apologies were accepted from Councillor Mr Stuart Thomas who had a clash of meetings, Councillor Mrs Hilary Harris who was away, Councillor Mr James Maddern who was unwell, Councillor Mr Mike Harvey who was working and Councillor Mr David Haigh.

20-76. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

20-77. PUBLIC SPEAKING

- Councillor Mrs Helen Hawkins informed members that the Dark Skies event had had to be postponed because the weather was so bad.
- Councillor Mrs Hawkins was able to let councillors know that it looked as though the Governance Review was going to leave alone the councils that wished to remain as they were.

20-78. POLICE

- One crime had been reported in August which was a public order offence on or near Bosvenning Place and was still under investigation.

20-79. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th September 2019 having been previously circulated, it was resolved that they were a true and correct record and were signed.

20-80. FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS

- Councillor Robert Eddy, the Footpath Officer, reported that everywhere was very wet.
- It was reported that Sancreed Common was still owned by Livewest and that the residents had wanted it left uncut so that the wild flowers could grow and then the area be cut for hay.
- It appeared that the trailer was back in Drift car park, full of rubbish. The Chairman offered to put a note through the door of the owner.
- Three telegraph poles had been delivered to the side of the road to Boswarthen and Councillor Mrs Sue Freeman was writing to BT to find out about any work that was to be carried out. Councillor Mrs Hawkins thought that a resident at Boswarthen had requested connectivity.
- The clerk reported that, while submitting the request for funding from the Highways Scheme for VAS, she had noticed that the funding was only available for the equipment that Cornwall Council provided and that it was much more expensive. As the parish council had offered to contribute a third of the cost, the clerk asked whether they wished to withdraw the submission. Councillors decided to leave things as they were.

20-81. PLANNING

- **Applications**
 - PA19/08820 - Ms Alma Hathaway - Hedgerow Removal Notice: Creation of 2 metre wide

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level opening at Land South Of An Chapel Coth, Grumbla. It was agreed not to offer any objections.

• Decisions

No decisions had been received.

• Correspondence

No planning correspondence had been received.

20-82. FINANCE

- Payments of £161.22 were agreed for payment.
- The Chairman informed members that he had been contacted by the Chairman of another council and requested to attend a meeting about the non-submission of the Annual Governance Accounts Return. At the meeting it had been decided to place the matter on the agenda before Cornwall Council became formally involved. The Chairman had then had a call from the auditors saying that the clerk was not responding to telephone calls and emails but that, if he could confirm that the council had income of below £25000, he could claim an exemption. In order to avoid a fine of £200 he had confirmed this. The clerk apologised for the situation explaining that she had some family issues. Councillors asked her to let them know in the future if she was struggling. The Chairman enquired whether there had been any fines or penalties and the clerk replied saying that there had been two invoices for £40 plus VAT for chasing emails but that she had paid these. It was agreed that the clerk should be reimbursed these costs.

20-83. REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS ATTENDED

- West Cornwall Community Network Panel, Thursday 19th September 2019. Councillor Mrs Hilary Harris had attended and had emailed a report. The meeting had been held at St Just Library as per the decision to move the meetings around the community. Information about the taking over of various facilities in the town was given by St Just Town Council along with details of the way this was, or hoped to be, funded. Tessa Snelgrove gave a talk on Mapping Projects which is a scheme that enables children and families to network with other agencies for support. Updates were received from various councils on an app to access books using library cards called Borrow Box, speeding at Badgers Cross and the Dark Skies event at Minack. Hopefully, Highways would be in attendance at the next meeting.
- West Cornwall Clerks Conference, Tuesday 24th September 2019 – the Chairman had attended and reported that Malcolm Brown (CC) had given a good talk on the Governance Review, the speaker for the new bus tables had not turned up and the talk on Climate Emergency did not happen but two women spoke on becoming carbon free.

20-84. UPCOMING EXTERNAL MEETINGS

- Remembrance Service – The service would be held at 9.30am on Sunday 10th November 2019.
- Annual Localism Summit, 6th November 2019 at the Pavilion, Royal Cornwall Showground – No councillor wished to attend.
- Cornwall Community Flood Forum Conference, 4th November 2019 at St Johns Hall – No councillor wished to attend.
- Cornwall AONB Conference, 23rd November 2019 at the Pavilion, Royal Cornwall Showground – No councillor wished to attend.

20-85. CORRESPONDENCE

- The Glebe – Nic Jones had finally been contacted by the Diocese's solicitors after a year. He would update the council at a future date.

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- Sancreed Church – A concert by Buccas Four was to be held on 3rd November 2019 at 7pm and on 24th November 2019 at 10.30am the Bishop of Truro would be taking the service to which all councillors were invited. There would be coffee and biscuits afterwards and a chance to chat to the Bishop.

20-86. ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

- The Christmas trees still needed sourcing.

20-87. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was set for Tuesday, 19th November 2019 in Mary Williams Hall at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.08pm.

**Chairman
19th November 2019**