

## **Minutes of a virtual meeting of Morval Parish Council held on Wednesday 02<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 at 7:30pm**

**Present:** Cllr John Collings, Cllr Stuart Hutchins, Cllr John Kitson, Cllr Sara McFadzean, Cllr Clive Pearn, Cllr Ben Pengelly.

**In attendance:** Cllr Richard Pugh (Cornwall), Robert Larter (Parish Clerk), Mr Willmott and 3 members of the public.

### **09.20/01 Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Yvonne Davies, Cllr Roger Dennis and Cllr Graham Tamblyn.

Cllr Kitson advised that he had received a letter of resignation from Cllr Aurea Wilks. The vacancy will need to be advertised in the normal way and it was also suggested that the vacancy is advertised in the Outlook Magazine.

### **09.20/02 Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda**

None

### **09.20/03 Public Participation**

The agent/applicant from two of the planning applications, under consideration, introduced themselves and provided a quick overview.

### **09.20/04 Minutes of a Meeting of Morval Parish Council held on Wednesday 05<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 05<sup>th</sup> August 2020 were an accurate record of the meeting.

### **09.20/05 Neighbourhood Development Plan**

The chairman of the committee presented an up-date on progress:

- 1) Mr Willmott firstly wanted to thank some of the Councillors for their recent input which has proven to be very useful.
- 2) The policies are in hand and moving quite well.
- 3) On receipt of the 'Planning for the Future' documentation it was found that the information provided is very limiting which creates a bit of a problem as there are indications that the Local Plan is likely to be amended which, indicatively, means that the NDP may not be aligned to it. However, as it is highly likely that the changes to the planning process will not be enforced until April 2023, at the earliest, it was felt by the committee that the work should continue without delay.

### **09.20/06 Planning Applications and Related Matters**

**PA20/02271** – Outline application for erection of four dwellings with all matters except access reserved – Land north of Little Chimneys, Widegates – The agent for this application was able to answer a number of questions raised by the Councillors who were eventually satisfied and it was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** to support the application, as it stands.

**PA20/05322** – Erection of dwelling and temporary retention of temporary structures – Home Farm, Lower Wringworthy, Morval – It was helpful to have the applicant present during the discussions that took place. There was some concern about the potential inclusion of future livestock (chickens), however, the Councillors were able to conclude their discussions with a proposal which was seconded and **RESOLVED** to support the application, as it stands.

**PA20/06404** – Alterations to form annexe and construction of garage – 29 Morview Road, Widegates – the agent was invited to attend the meeting, but declined. Following the discussions which took place, with no issues identified, it was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** to support this application, as it stands.

**PA20/01706** – Stable Block. The council was asked by the case officer to revisit this application as the applicant was hoping to keep the original height of the link between the stables. Amended plans had been sent in to the planning department, but the case officer was very clear in his support of the original plans as they had no real wider impact on the community/neighbours.

It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** to support the original plans, on this one occasion.

Note:

**PA20/04401** – Polmarth, No-Mans-Land – **Approved**

**PA20/04624** – Land Pt Os 6726, Widegates - **Approved**

**PA20/06941** – EIA screening opinion request for proposed development to upgrade Terras Level Crossing from an open crossing to an automatic barrier crossing to be locally monitored by train Crew.

## **09.20/07 Finance**

The Monthly Budgeting Report and an up-to-date Bank Reconciliation was presented by the RFO.

### Bank Reconciliation

Balance C/F from 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2020	£29,288.57
Add Income	<u>£ 9,391.37</u>
	£38,679.94
Less expenditure	<u>£ 6,503.40</u>
<b>01<sup>st</sup> September 2020</b>	<b>£32,176.54</b> (Monthly Budget Summary)
Current a/c as at 18 <sup>th</sup> August 2020	£33,246.70 (Bank Statement no.347)
Less Unpresented cheques	<u>£ 1,070.16</u>
	<b>£32,176.54 Bank Account</b>
Scottish Widows Bank as at 04 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	<u>£30,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS HELD</b>	<b><u>£62,176.54</u></b>

The following payments were authorised:

**Cheques**

101074	WesternWeb Ltd – security upgrade	£216.00
101075	Complete Business Solutions Ltd – Printer Paper	£19.14
101076	Andrew Chudleigh – parish council maintenance	£70.00
101077	Robert Larter – clerk expenses *	£149.66
101078	Situ8 – NDP	£288.00

\* The Clerk was asked about the map that had been purchased. The Clerk confirmed that it was a decision that he had made as it would not only be very helpful for him (as he does not live in the area), but it will also be useful during future meetings.

The RFO advised that he will start to make progress with switching to on-line banking with Unity Bank, as previously agreed.

**09.20/08 Cornwall Councillor Report**

Cllr Pugh gave an overview of his activities that may affect the parish since the last meeting:

- (a) The message he was receiving is that virtual meetings are likely to take place until May 2021 within Cornwall Council and other stakeholders.
- (b) School buses are a big topic at the moment, getting the children safely to school and back home again.
- (c) Government is currently backing away from the idea of evicting individuals from their homes, where it would normally have happened before the pandemic set in.

**09.20/09 Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Grants Policy**

To review and approve.

Clarification was sought on two of the statements within the Standing Orders, otherwise, Councillors were happy with the revised documentation.

**09.20/10 Ongoing Matters and to raise any other matters since publication of this summons.**

- (a) Village Hall long term management options** – as it will not be possible to purchase the village hall outright, due to the conditions within the Trust held, it was agreed that we should now make further enquiries regarding the long-term management of the hall under the continued ownership of the Charity Commission. There were some reservations as to what could be done, building wise, as it may fail future building regulations and therefore become an expensive asset to maintain. However, it was generally felt that it was very important to secure the future use of the hall for the community and the parish council is best placed to do this. The Clerk is to formally write to the existing trustees to arrange a meeting to discuss this further.
- (b) Defibrillators** – the Clerk advised that the last defibrillator is being put in place on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and the others will be checked before operational services begin in full.
- (c) Email from external auditors** confirming receipt of the Certificate of Exemption.

**(d) Notice of Public Rights and Publication of Annual Governance & Accountability – 21<sup>st</sup>**  
July to 31<sup>st</sup> August – on website as per instructions received – no requests to see the accounts were made.

**(e) Speed Monitor** – no further update received

**(f) Highways & Environment** – the Clerk advised that Highways have it in their diary to address the issue of the Ragwort.

**(g) Climate Action Group** – Cllr McFadzean gave a short presentation and listed a number of initiatives that could be started via the group.

**(h) A complaint has been received regarding the condition of the notice board at Sandplace and an offer was made to keep it clean by the complainant** – as the board is now in a poor state of repair and, over the last 6-12 months has not been used by the council, it was suggested that it is removed. It was suggested that it may be possible to place small notices inside the kiosk that houses the defibrillator. The clerk is to investigate this further.

**(i) Maintenance Contract** - Cllr Kitson advised the council that Andrew Chudleigh would need a further 2 hours per month added to his contract if he was to carry out the additional work that the Councillors have asked him to do. It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** to grant him the extra hours, with immediate effect.

**(j) Flooding** - Cllr Hutchins raised the issue of recent flooding in No-Mans-Land, supported by photographs taken. Cllr Pugh advised that he would take it straight to Paul Allen (Highways) to look into this straight away. Cllr Pugh will update the Councillors before and during the next meeting as this needs immediate attention.

#### **09.20/11 Dates for the Diary**

22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 – Local Council Planning Conference 2020

07<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – Parish Council virtual meeting

**The meeting closed at 9.30pm.**

**Approved by the council members.**

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_