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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE 2019 AT SHORTLANESEND VILLAGE HALL AT 7.10PM

088/2019 PRESENT: CLLRS. I HOLROYD (CHAIRMAN), J SHENTON (VICE CHAIRMAN), W ROBINSON, B HILTON, A GAMMON, T BROWN, F J DYER MBE, M HARRY, D GREEN, A BLIZZARD

MRS K J HARDING – CLERK TO THE COUNCIL

Also present: 2 members of the public (one for only part of the meeting)

089/2019 APOLOGIES: No apologies

090/2019 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO DECLARE DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AS REQUIRED BY THE KENWYN PARISH COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS AND BY THE LOCALISM ACT 2011.

No declarations of interest.

091/2019 QUESTIONS FROM PARISHIONERS (10 MINUTES MAXIMUM, 3 MINUTES PER PARISHIONER)

Cllr. Green – reported that Cormac had not been back to repair the ground following their repairs to the drains and culvert in Gloweth. The Clerk was asked to chase this up and see when the repairs were likely to be carried out.

Member of the public – raised concerns about the speeding traffic in Ashley Road, Shortlanesend and previous failed attempts to deal with the problem. Members advised that the Truro & Roseland Community Network Panel had just agreed to fund and site a double sided speed visor for Ashley Road. This would advise motorists of the speed they were travelling at if over the speed limit. It was hoped this would help the situation.

Cllr. Dyer was asked to report back to the council regarding when this sign would be installed.

092/2019 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements.

093/2019 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 8th May 2019 were agreed and signed.

The minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 8th May 2019 were agreed and signed.

The minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 22nd May 2019 were agreed and signed.

The minutes of a Communications Committee Meeting held on 22nd May 2019 were agreed and signed.

The minutes of a Footpaths Committee Meeting held on 22nd May 2019 were agreed and signed.

The minutes of a Parks, Amenities and Open Spaces Committee Meeting held on 22nd May 2019 were agreed and signed.

The minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd May 2019 were agreed and signed.

094/2019 REPORTS OF MEETINGS

Cllr. Green and Cllr. Shenton – had been attending meetings of the Threemilestone Community Centre Management Committee following a plea from the community for them to do so. Both members reported on the changes being made to the Governing Document and how this had been done so far. They also advised they would be attending the AGM on 19th June. It was expected that the Governing Document would be signed at a meeting an hour before the AGM.

In relation to recent correspondence from members of the public the council was unable to take any legal action or take out an injunction to prevent the changes to the Governing Document but it noted other methods that may be used to bring about change at the centre. The council would not become involved until these changes took place.

095/2019 TO APPROVE COSTS FOR ADDITIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE TO INCLUDE LINKS TO SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS – CLLR. HILTON

RESOLVED: TO APPROVE COSTS FOR ADDITIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE TO INCLUDE LINKS TO SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS

Proposed by: Cllr. Harry
Seconded by: Cllr. Gammon
Vote: unanimous

096/2019 TO DISCUSS THE COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW AND DECIDE ON THE WAY FORWARD FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF TRURO CITY COUNCIL'S PROPOSALS

Cllr. Shenton advised on the initial proposal put forward by Truro City Council in relation to their wish to expand their boundaries. She also spoke on three other options that she had been given information on by a member of the Truro City Council Community Governance Working Party. Cllr. Shenton had sent these four proposals to all members of the council and the Clerk and they were as follows:

Option 1 – Treliske Hospital, Treliske Industrial Estate and the first 2 fields at Langarth at present, include a potential hotel, shops, community rooms and housing. A previous counsellor had negotiated with one of the developers at sum of £30,000 to pay KPC to provide either parish rooms or improve our facilities we already own. There will be other S106 monies involved in this development which will then go to Truro City Council if they take over this area.

Option 2 – as above. However, the area will also include Gloweth and Truro City will take over Chyvelah Ope park which we have just legally purchased and any S106 monies due to that area. The other point is that all residents within Gloweth will have to pay council tax in line with Truro City rates, which is significantly more.

Option 3 – I don't think they can do this. There is case law this year which was successfully appealed when Slough Borough Council tried to take over neighbouring Parish Councils (Britwell Parish Council and Wexham Parish Council). You have to prove you have had ongoing public support over 2 voting terms (8 years) to abolish a parish council and as there has been no consultation in the Kenwyn area this won't be possible. Cllr Shenton stated that on the advice of CALC option 3 should have been worded, that the boundary is extended to include the whole parish, rather than "abolish".

Option 4 – this proposal has been put forward as a way of working together, like we have with the neighbourhood plan. It is designed to provide seamless services across both parishes and has been done in other areas, such as Torridge and North Devon. It's called "shared services",

If we agree to this as an option, it will mean our staff our taken over by Truro City Council and may be made redundant. However, this is not an option that can be put forward to the boundary commission, but it will mean that Kenwyn retains its boundaries as Truro City will not look to submit a proposal.

Options 3 and 4 had come about at an informal meeting between Cllr. Shenton and Cllr. Roden of Truro City Council which Cllr Shenton attended on the advice of the clerk, to represent KPC.

The Clerk had spoken with Sarah Mason at the Cornwall Association of Local Councils on this and she had advised Cllr. Shenton to do the same. Cllr. Shenton had also spoken with Sarah.

At the meeting with members of Truro City Council's Community Governance Working Party on 11th June most of those attending had appeared very shocked to hear of any of the other proposals as they believed the only proposal on the table was to push their boundary out to include Treliske

Hospital, Treliske Retail Park, some fields near there and Gloweth. They kept reiterating this was the only proposal being considered by the Working Party.

The Chairman expressed concern to Cllr. Shenton that at the meeting on 11th June she had informed Truro City Council that Kenwyn would inform them what had been decided by their members before the City Council Meeting met to finalise their proposals on 24th June. He queried why Cllr. Shenton had promised this as he and members felt this was most unwise. On the advice of CALC Cllr. Shenton felt that Truro City Council should be advised what Kenwyn Parish Council had decided ahead of the city council meeting. She also advised the Chair of the Working Party for Truro City Council also made it clear the proposal on the table now may not be the final proposal. Cllr. Shenton said that if Kenwyn Parish Council was in agreement with any of the Truro City Council proposals then it should say so. Likewise if it disagreed.

Members agreed with the Chairman that no information would go back to Truro City Council ahead of its meeting and Kenwyn Parish Council would take its time at a second meeting to put its case forward but this would not be until 26th June.

Cllr. Shenton advised Sarah Mason had advised the parish council to enquire with Cornwall Council's Boundary Review Panel what plans they had in mind for Langarth. Should it be included in Kenwyn Parish Council's deliberations or would it be looked at as a parish on its own.

Cllr. Shenton advised Truro City Council had taken over the Library via devolved services from Cornwall Council, it had employed a lot of new staff but this would have a financial implication to their budget and the land which they proposed to take to take over at Langarth would provide S106 monies.

Cllr. Dyer agreed and said it was all about money and Truro City Council was only making this land grab because it was in financial difficulty. Cllr. Dyer also advised several members of Truro City Council had telephoned him to say the City Council's case had not been thought through properly. Those members had informed Cllr. Dyer that it had taken many years to build a constructive relationship with Kenwyn Parish Council and this had been thrown into some jeopardy particularly following comments from some members of Truro City Council who described Kenwyn Parish Council as 'shambolic'.

Cllr. Dyer felt a special meeting needed to be called so the parish council could make its own case to the boundary review.

The Chairman stated that there is no need for a special meeting as there was a council meeting on 26th June where this would be discussed. There then followed a heated discussion between councillors and Cllr. Green proposed that the council vote on its preference to show that all councillors were in agreement to maintain Kenwyn Parish Council boundaries as they currently were. The Chairman put this to the members where 9 voted in favour and Cllr. Dyer abstained again.

The Chairman and members, with the exception of Cllr. Dyer, felt that all four options put forward by Truro City Council through Cllr. Shenton should be rejected.

Cllr. Shenton advised Kenwyn Parish Council did not have to put forward any argument at this stage, that would happen during the consultation period after the 17th July. All that was required at this stage was to state how the parish council saw its boundaries from 2021 and the reasons why.

The Clerk advised a meeting could be held on 26th June where this would be the main item. She would try to keep the rest of the agenda as short as possible.

All members, with the exception of Cllr. Dyer, were happy with this suggestion.

The Chairman proposed a meeting be held on 26th June to discuss the boundary review further.

Vote: 9 in favour, Cllr. Dyer abstained.

The Chairman asked Cllr. Dyer why he was abstaining given he had asked for a special meeting to discuss the point.

The Chairman then proposed that all four Options put forward by Truro City Council be rejected.

Vote: 9 in favour, Cllr. Dyer abstained again.

The Chairman asked Cllr. Dyer why he was abstaining given throughout the discussion on this he had maintained that Kenwyn Parish Council had to fight Truro City Council and not give up any of the parish. Cllr. Dyer replied saying when someone is fighting you, you fight back. The Chairman and several members tried repeatedly to get Cllr. Dyer to see that is what this vote had meant. A heated discussion followed with all of the councillors trying to get Cllr. Dyer to understand they were voting for that very thing. Cllr. Dyer refused to accept this again.

Cllr. Gammon advised the simplest thing to do was to take a unanimous decision via a vote to say the parish council would reject all four options put forward by the city council. Cllr. Dyer refused to do so. Other councillors argued in support of Cllr. Gammon's comment to try to clarify what was required to Cllr. Dyer. Cllr. Dyer refused once more to do so.

The meeting would go ahead on 26th June and the Clerk was asked to send the Community Governance Review information out once more to members.

Members were asked to send their reasons for keeping the status quo to the Clerk ahead of the meeting on 26th June.

The agenda item for 26th June would include authorisation to fund anything that may assist with keeping the boundaries as they currently were.

097/2019 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS AS LISTED BELOW:

D2551 Mr Nigel Blackler, Park And Ride A390 Between Junction At West Langarth Farm And Roundabout At Threemilestone TR4 9AN - Provision of an access road from within the Park & Ride site to serve as a construction access for the Stadium for Cornwall. In addition, a separate pedestrian access and emergency access will be provided along with amendments to the internal layout of the Park & Ride and amendments to the junction with the A390. Following completion of construction, the access road to the stadium will be used for deliveries, team coaches, VIPs, disabled parking and other stadium users until the permanent junction has been provided to the site from the Northern Access Road PA18/11702

Observations: Object – this work would destroy Cornish hedges before the locations of the junctions and roads are known.

Proposed by: Cllr. Holroyd
Vote: 5 in favour, Cllr. Dyer abstained.

098/2019 TO APPOINT A COUNCILLOR TO CHECK THE MONTHLY ACCOUNTS FOR JULY & AUGUST 2019

Cllr. Holroyd was appointed to check the monthly accounts for July & August 2019.

099/2019 CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing raised.

100/2019 TO CONFIRM APPOINTMENT OF CLLR. BLIZZARD TO THE FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE AND THE PARKS, AMENITIES AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: TO APPOINT CLLR. BLIZZARD TO THE FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE OF KENWYN PARISH COUNCIL. TO APPOINT CLLR. BLIZZARD TO THE PARKS, AMENITIES AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE OF KENWYN PARISH COUNCIL.

Proposed by: Cllr. Harry
Seconded by: Cllr. Gammon
Vote: unanimous

101/2019 TO DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A GRIT BIN AT COLLEGE GREEN, GLOWETH

RESOLVED: TO PURCHASE, INSTALL AND MAINTAIN A GRIT BIT AT COLLEGE GREEN, GLOWETH

Proposed by: Cllr. Shenton
Seconded by: Cllr. Green
Vote: 9 in favour, Cllr. Dyer abstained because he felt this should wait until after the boundary review had been settled in 2021 in case Gloweth was taken inside the Truro City Council boundary.

102/2019 UPDATE ON WORK TO REVISE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

There had been a break in meetings but they would resume shortly.

103/2019 UPDATE ON THE S106 PROJECT TO IMPROVE PLAY AREAS ACROSS THE PARISH. TO MAKE DECISIONS ON RECOMMENDATIONS PUT FORWARD BY THE PARKS, AMENITIES AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

The next meeting would be held on 14th June 2019.

Members were grateful to Cllr. Harry who had designed, printed and laminated posters and leaflets advertising the community consultations.

104/2019 TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

THE MONTHLY ACCOUNTS HAD BEEN CHECKED BY CLLR. HARRY AND FOUND TO BE IN ORDER. CLLR. BROWN RECOMMENDED THEM FOR PAYMENT.

RESOLVED: TO PAY THE MONTHLY ACCOUNTS FOR JUNE 2019.

**Proposed by: Cllr. Green
Seconded by: Cllr. Brown
Vote: unanimous**

The following reports had all been sent out together ahead of the meeting. Members had been asked to raise any concerns or queries ahead of the meeting. No concerns or queries had been raised.

105/2019 TO NOTE AND ADOPT THE RECENT BANK RECONCILIATIONS

RESOLVED: TO NOTE AND ADOPT THE RECENT BANK RECONCILIATIONS

**Proposed by: Cllr. Hilton
Seconded by: Cllr. Green
Vote: 9 in favour, Cllr. Dyer abstained but had no queries or concerns.**

106/2019 TO NOTE AND ADOPT THE INCOME & EXPENDITURE QUARTERLY REPORTS

RESOLVED: TO NOTE AND ADOPT THE INCOME & EXPENDITURE QUARTERLY REPORTS

**Proposed by: Cllr. Harry
Seconded by: Chairman
Vote: unanimous**

107/2019 TO NOTE AND ADOPT THE AGGREGATE INCOME & EXPENDITURE REPORTS

RESOLVED: TO NOTE AND ADOPT THE AGGREGATE INCOME & EXPENDITURE REPORTS

**Proposed by: Cllr. Hilton
Seconded by: Cllr. Gammon
Vote: unanimous**

108/2019 TO NOTE AND ADOPT THE BUDGET REPORT 2019 2020

RESOLVED: TO NOTE AND ADOPT THE BUDGET REPORT 2019 2020

Proposed by: Chairman
Vote: unanimous

The meeting closed at 8.24pm.

KENWYN PARISH COUNCIL
MONTHLY ACCOUNTS JUNE 2019

Amounts since last meeting

| | <u>Amount</u> | <u>ex vat</u> | <u>VAT</u> | <u>Chq. No.</u> |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| British Telecom – broadband/line charges for CCTV at Shortlanesend Village Hall/Playing Field | 242.57 | 202.14 | 40.43 | DD |

June 2019 Payments

Payments

| | <u>Amount</u> | <u>ex vat</u> | <u>VAT</u> | <u>Chq. No.</u> |
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| Wages, Expenses and HMRC | 4693.97 | | | BACS |
| All Staff | | | | |
| SAGE – monthly accounting software Charge | 26.40 | 22.00 | 4.40 | DD |
| Graham Harding – 2no. safety cheques of play equipment at Threemilestone Playing Field during May | 40.00 | | | 004049 |
| NEST – pension contribution | 393.34 | | | DD |
| I Holroyd – Chairman’s allowance 2019-20 | 440.00 | | | 004050 |
| B Hilton – Planning Chairman’s allowance 2019-20 | 500.00 | | | 004051 |
| Vision ICT Ltd. – hosting one email account April 2020 | 21.60 | 18.00 | 3.60 | 004052 |
| Cornwall Council – interim invoice for legal fees in connection with transfer of Chyvelah | 214.16 | 182.80 | 31.36 | 004053 |

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| Ope Play Area | | | | |
| Complete Weed Control (South West) | 1485.12 | 1237.60 | 247.52 | 004054 |
| 1 st round of weed spraying in Threemilestone, Shortlanesend and Gloweth | | | | |
| Weightman Plant Hire and Groundworks | 1284.00 | 1070.00 | 214.00 | 004055 |
| Installing new soakaway at Shortlanesend Village Hall | | | | |
| Graham Harding – Threemilestone Playing Field – works to 3 picnic benches following Vandalism | 124.00 | | | 004056 |
| Graham Harding – Shortlanesend Village Hall - Remove old guttering and own pipes clean fascias, re-stain fascias with Sadolin Extra fit new guttering clips and down pipes re-align down pipe to front to discharge to field, re-align down pipe to rear to discharge into new soakaway remove waste materials to tip | 857.00 | | | 004057 |
| A1 Tree & Grounds Ltd. – grass cutting at Shortlanesend and Threemilestone Playing Fields during May 2019 | 480.00 | 400.00 | 80.00 | 004058 |

Total £10802.16