

# GERMOE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Germoe Parish Council held on Thursday July 12, 2012 at 7:00pm in Balwest Methodist Schoolroom.

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| <b>Present:</b> | Cllr S.Geake      | Cllr G.Ross          |
|                 | Cllr D.Blencowe   | Cllr R.Royds         |
|                 | Cllr Mrs E.Clarke | Cllr J.Taylor        |
|                 | Cllr Mrs K.Doeser | Mr C.Chapman (Clerk) |

Visitors: There were no visitors.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the July meeting.

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

PC Wearne sent his apologies for absence.

## 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

### in items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

### of gifts (received as a result of being a member of the Council) of a value greater than £25

There were no declarations of gifts of a value greater than £25.

## 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS

Cllr Blencowe proposed, Cllr Mrs Clarke seconded, Cllr Geake being absent from the last meeting abstained, all others in favour that the minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday June 7, 2012 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

## 4 MATTERS ARISING AND NOT COVERED IN THIS AGENDA

There were no matters arising which were not covered in this agenda.

## 5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

## 6 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

There was no report from CCllr Keeling.

## 7 POLICE REPORT

Through the Clerk, PC Wearne reported that a single crime, that of burglary, was reported to the Police during the month of June. He added that thefts of scrap metal are still occurring locally and accordingly urged everyone both to take steps to secure their property and to remain vigilant.

## 8 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

### The Code of Conduct

Having now had the opportunity to consider the paperwork, Cllr Blencowe proposed, Cllr Ross seconded all others in favour formally to adopt the Interim Code of Conduct. This follows on from the decision made on June 7 and recorded on page 72 Agenda Item 14 to agree in principle to adopt the Interim Code of Conduct prepared and published by Cornwall Council.

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## 9 PARISH MATTERS

### The Definitive Map showing Public Rights of Way

Members noted that there are a number of lengths of individual Public Rights of Way in the Parish which lack the formality of inclusion on the Definitive Map. The necessary paperwork for some of these has already been forwarded to Cornwall Council and the Clerk was asked to follow these up: others need identification and, if they are also to be included, will require proper procedures to be followed. It was agreed to make the matter an agenda item at the meeting in September.

## 10 PLANNING

### Decisions

PA12/09804 APPROVED Removal of Conditions 2 and 3 attached to 2/09/79/00802/F dated 12 September 1979 (allow 12 month occupation) – Boscreege Caravan and Camping Park – *noted*

PA12/02202 WITHDRAWN Construction of replacement dwelling (amended design) – Bargess Croft, Lower Balwest – *noted*

## 11 FINANCE

Members noted the conclusion of the audit for the year to March 31, 2012.

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

|  | GROSS    | VAT      |
|--|----------|----------|
| HM Revenue and Customs                       | £ 151.80 |          |
| Jeff Meadows (website hosting for two years) | £ 150.00 |          |
| Harlequin Design                             | £ 26.40  | £ 4.40   |
| R.Sanders                                    | £ 593.46 |          |
| Colin Chapman                                |          |          |
| Salary (June )                               | £ 202.50 |          |
| travelling                                   | £ 8.60   |          |
| telephone                                    | £ 13.48  |          |
| office expenses                              | £ 30.25  |          |
| Chown China                                  | £ 37.44  |          |
| use of home                                  | £ 20.00  |          |
|  | total    | £ 312.27 |

Cllr Mrs Clarke proposed, Cllr Mrs Royds seconded, all others in favour that the above five accounts should be paid.

## 12 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk informed Members that the notice-boards in Germoe Churchtown and at Greatwork have been included in the Parish Council insurance schedule without any increase in the premium.

### Correspondence

CC invitation to Cornwall Renewable Energy Show 2012, Gaia Centre, Delabole July 26 & 27 – *noted*

**Cruse in Cornwall** AGM (Guest Speaker Dr Colin Murray Parkes) July 19, 2012 – *noted*

**Clerks and Councils Direct** newsletter – *noted*

**Breage Parish Council** donation towards the Diamond Jubilee beacon – *noted*

**Julie Girling MEP** posters for display on the notice-boards – *noted*

**Balwest Methodist Church** acknowledgement of and thanks for donation towards the upkeep of the cemetery – *noted*

## 13 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Cllr Mrs Doeser reported that she had attended the recent Community Network Panel at which the main topic of debate had been the way in which Cornwall is presently governed. Wide-ranging views had been expressed, but the general feeling had been that the ten-man strong Cabinet is not a very democratic way of making decisions. There were further concerns expressed, in particular that those living in rural, isolated villages and older people who do not have access to the internet may be being excluded .

Cllr Mrs Doeser had also attended a meeting of the Kernow Clinical Commissioning Group which will have responsibility for Primary Care Services with effect from April 2013. Its proposed Strategy, which is presently available on-line, remains open for consultative purposes until July 31.

Cllr Mrs Clarke asked if Cornwall Council might be encouraged to cut the hedges within the parish particularly along the route taken by the school bus.

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Cllr Royds reported that he had recently attended a meeting of the School Council. The school is now a member of *The Helston and The Lizard Education Partnership Trust*. Councillors are invited to attend the school production *There's no place like Germoe* on July 17, and the Leavers' Lunch on July 19. Cllr Geake, Cllr Mrs Clarke and Cllr Mrs Doeser undertook to join Cllr Royds in hearing pupils read with effect from September.

**14 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

The Chairman made no comments at this stage of the meeting.

**15 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS**

Balwest triangle

The Definitive Map

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 6, 2012 at 7.00pm in Balwest Methodist Schoolroom.

Signed.....

Dated.....

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