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Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Germoe Parish Council held on Thursday September 4, 2014 at 7:00pm in Balwest Methodist Schoolroom.

Present: Cllr S.Geake Cllr R.Royds
Cllr D.Blencowe Cllr A.Thomas
Cllr Mrs K.Doeser Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors: CCllr Keeling, Mr Dear and Mrs Seargeant.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the September meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Taylor and PCSO Whitford sent their apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

in items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest in any 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 MEETING

Cllr Mrs Doeser proposed, Cllr Royds seconded, all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday July 3, 2014 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.

The Chairman proposed and it was agreed to consider the Co-option of a Parish Councillor at this point.

The Clerk reported that he had received an expression of interest in standing for co-option as a Parish Councillor from Mr Dear.

Following a short discussion, Cllr Geake proposed, Cllr Blencowe seconded, all others in agreement that Mr Dear should be co-opted as a Parish Councillor.

Cllr Dear signed and read aloud his declaration of acceptance of office before Mr Chapman, Clerk to Germoe Parish Council, the Proper Officer. The Chairman welcomed Cllr Dear as a member of Germoe Parish Council.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments from members of the public.

6 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Keeling stated that August had been a quiet month, but reported that

- he had attended a "Question time" event at the Pool Innovation Centre on the matter of flooding He had tabled a question concerning farming practises and rain-water run-off from fields, but the opportunity to ask it did not arise
- as a member of the West Cornwall Local Action Group, he has attended two meetings concerning the development of a strategy for eventual submission to Central Government which, all being well, will help to unlock EU funding of over £1.85 million for the social and economic development of West Cornwall
- the Waste Management team is currently making contact with all residents in Cornwall who are registered to receive an assisted collection for refuse, recycling or garden waste to ascertain that they still have a need for the service

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- planning applications and planning enforcement matters still occupy a great deal of his time.

7 POLICE REPORT

Through the Clerk, PCSO Paul Whitford reported that two crimes, one of theft and the other of assault causing Actual Bodily Harm, were reported to the police during the course of the last month. The Police have recently received reports of rogue traders operating in the district and residents should exercise extreme caution when answering the door to cold callers offering to do work in the garden or on property.

8 PARISH MATTERS

The Adit

The Clerk reported that Mr McLean has assured him that the work on the Adit will be completed before the end of September.

A Community Emergency Plan

Cllr Mrs Doeser thanked fellow members for delivering leaflets concerning the emergency plan to parishioners. Members noted that, to date, just two offers of help have been received.

To note the Council's response to the Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

Members noted that this document was returned marked *The Council agrees that the recommendations set out on the attached map and schedule are acceptable.* (No amendment to the present arrangements was proposed.)

9 PLANNING

Members noted and approved the following two observations (returned on the authority of the Chairman following e-mail consultation with members) during the month of August

PA14/05443 Mr B.Hollinrake and Ms A.Varndall – Installation of French doors and roof-lights with enlarged dormers (amended design) – Bosverbas, Helston Road. This application was returned marked *Germoe Parish Council has no further comment.*

PA14/06145 Mr and Mrs Ford – Proposed removal of existing garage/carport/workshop and construction of a link orangery room/music room/carport/workshop including rooflights and reconfiguration to the existing access and driveway – Eden Cottage, Tresowes. This application was returned marked *Germoe Parish Council has no comment.*

Applications

PA14/06743 Mr J.Edwards – Change of use of land for siting a storage container – land adjacent to Tregonning Brea, Trewithen Terrace. Cllr Mrs Doeser proposed, Cllr Royds seconded, all others in favour that this application should be returned with the following observation *The Council believes that positioning a storage container at this location will be detrimental to the visual amenity of the World Heritage Site and therefore strongly objects to the proposal. It requests the Planning Authority to refuse permission for development.*

Decisions

PA14/05311 APPROVED – Listed Building Consent in respect of proposed home office and games room built as an annex off the house and garden wall – The Old Vicarage, Germoe – *noted*

PA14/05418 APPROVED – Replacement sunroom and associated works – Rose Cottage, Germoe – *noted*

PA14/05443 APPROVED – Installation of French doors and roof lights with enlarged dormers (amended design) – Bos Verbas, Helston Road – *noted*

PA14/05945 Prior approval not req'd (AF/TEL/DEM) – Extending an existing building, the extension would include the following features: Open sided shed, Ends Tanalised Yorkshire Boarding, Cement Fibre roof, All fitting in with surrounding buildings. – Tresowes Farm, Ashton – *noted*

PA14/06145 APPROVED – Proposed removal of existing garage/carport/workshop and construction of a link orangery room/music studio/carport/workshop including rooflights and reconfiguration to the existing access and driveway – Eden Cottage, Tresowes – *noted*

PA14/06980 APPROVED – Amendment to application PA14/01166 in respect of extending the porch by a further 900mm – Greynolds, Main Road – *noted*

10 FINANCE

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

	GROSS	VAT
R.Sanders (footpaths)	£ 890.17	
HM Revenue and Customs	£ 160.80	

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Colin Chapman			
Salary (July)	£ 214.39		
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travelling	£ 10.00		
telephone	£ 33.49		
office expenses	£ 26.55		
Harlequin Design	£ 72.00		
use of home as office	£ 40.00		
	total	£ 610.82	£ 12.00

Cllr Mrs Doeser proposed, Cllr Thomas seconded, all others in favour that the above three accounts should be paid.

11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

Mrs Anderson-Archbold concerning the upkeep of Tregonning Hill – *the Clerk has replied*

Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Employment and Skills Board Cornwall Apprenticeship Campaign – *noted*

Mr David Fursdon concerning the caution registered over Greenberry Common – *noted*

Cornwall Council Schedule of focused changes to the Cornwall Local Plan – Strategic Policies – *noted*

Smiths Gore re legal ownership of Greenberry Downs – *noted*

Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter – *noted*

12 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Members noted that

- Mr Marshall has suggested that the Parish may like to take part in the Eden Project's big lunch on June 6th next year. It was agreed that the matter should be discussed at a later date
- extensive ground works are continuing at Boscreege Caravan Park. Concern was expressed that these works may be in excess of those which have been granted planning permission. The Clerk was asked to contact the Planning Department about the matter
- the telephone box at Trewithen Terrace is badly in need of cleaning. A working party will be formed at a later date
- more volunteers to help the children at Germoe School with their reading would be welcomed
- the caravan at Wheal Gray is still very much in evidence. The Clerk was asked to contact Planning Enforcement with a request for its removal.

13 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

The Chairman again welcomed Cllr Dear to the Council. He drew members' attention to Cornwall Council's Planning Conferences for Local Councils which will take place in Launceston, St Austell and Pool during the Autumn.

14 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

The following matters were tabled for discussion at the next meeting

- the repair of the Adit
- projects within the parish
- re-allocation of members' responsibilities, particularly for the notice-boards.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday October 2, 2014 at 7.00pm in Balwest Methodist Schoolroom.

Signed.....

Dated.....

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