

GERMOE PARISH COUNCIL

www.germoeparishcouncil.org.uk

C.F.P.Chapman
Clerk to the Council
Chy Lean
St Keverne Road
Mawgan
Helston TR12 6AY
telephone 01326 221648
colinchapman@lineone.net

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Germoe Parish Council held on Thursday October 1, 2015 at 7:00pm in Balwest Methodist Schoolroom.

Present: Cllr S.Geake
Cllr D.Blencowe
Cllr Mrs K.Dooser
Cllr Mrs G.Praed
Cllr R.Royds
Cllr J.Taylor
Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors: CCllr Keeling.

The Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the October meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Dear and PCSO Fuller sent their 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 MEETING

Cllr Royds proposed, Cllr Blencowe seconded, Cllr Mrs Dooser and Cllr Taylor who were absent from the last meeting abstained, all others in favour that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday September 3, 2015 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 on the agenda.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

6 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

CCllr Keeling reported that

- there is now a strong possibility that Breage Parish Council will take on responsibility for the Praa Sands public conveniences
- this may be done through a Community Interest Company, in which case Germoe Parish Council, as a near neighbour, might like to consider becoming a stakeholder
- he had a useful meeting with Marcus Jones MP (Parliamentary Undersecretary at the Department for Communities and Local Government)
- he has resigned from the Governing Body of Germoe School (the new federation will have a single governing body).

Cllr Mrs Dooser, who attended the recent Localism Summit, stated that opinion there was that devolution of services and property from Cornwall to the first tier of Local Government has not been properly thought through. In particular, the costs associated with individual properties are unavailable (and evidently unknown).

In answer to questions, CCllr Keeling undertook to speak to CCllr Mrs Hannaford about the proposals for paperless planning. It is his view that proper consultation did not take place. The Clerk was asked to write to the Cornwall Association of Local Councils to express Germoe's dismay about the lack of proper consultation.

Chairman's initials.....

7 POLICE REPORT

Through the Clerk, PCSO Ashley Fuller reported that no crimes but two calls were logged by the Police during the month of September. PC Andy Weir has joined the Helston Police Neighbourhood team and replaces PC Richard Wearne. He joins PC Ann Butcher as a Neighbourhood Beat Manager.

Members noted the inappropriate use of speed by a few motorists using the road between Ashton and Great Work. The Clerk was asked to report the matter to the Police.

8 PARISH MATTERS

The Adit

The Chairman reported that he had spoken to Mr McLean who had intimated that he hopes to complete the work on the west wall of the adit before Christmas.

A defibrillator for Balwest

Cllr Blencowe reported that both the defibrillator and the cabinet have been delivered to his home. Cllr Taylor said that he would install the unit as a matter of priority, but that the final electrical fitting would have to be done by a qualified electrician. It was agreed that Cllr Taylor should instruct a suitably qualified electrician and that his account should be forwarded to Germoe Parish Council. When everything is in place, representatives of the Ronnie Williams Memorial Trust will instruct members of the community in the use of the defibrillator.

PROW 25 Footpath along the top of Tregonning Hill

Cllr Royds reported that Mr Liddicoat has said that he will complete this work before the end of the month.

Projects within the Parish

No further suggestions for future projects were tabled.

9 PLANNING

Decisions

PA15/08187 S52/S106 and discharge of condition apps – Submission of details to discharge condition 3 in respect of decision notice PA15/02409 – Tresheba, Main Road, Ashton – *noted*

11 FINANCE

A copy of a statement of Germoe Parish Council's financial position as at October 1, 2015 is attached to these minutes.

Members considered a request from Balwest Methodist Church for financial help towards the upkeep of the cemetery at Balwest. Cllr Royds proposed, Cllr Mrs Praed seconded all others in favour, that, using the General Power of Competence (adopted by Germoe Parish Council on May 9, 2013), the sum of £300 should be sent to the Trustees of Balwest Methodist Church for use in the maintenance of the cemetery.

The following account was presented for consideration:

	GROSS	VAT
Colin Chapman		
Salary (September)	£ 219.11	
travelling	£ 10.00	
telephone	£ 23.04	
office expenses	£ 19.98	
use of home as office	£ 20.00	
	total	£ 292.13

Cllr Taylor proposed, Cllr Mrs Praed seconded, all others in favour that the above account should be paid.

12 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence had been received by the Clerk.

13 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Members noted that further complaints concerning the alleged breach of the conditions attached to the planning permission relating to the newly-built home office and games room at The Old Vicarage have been aired. The Clerk was asked to write to Cllr Dear about the matter.

The Clerk was asked to seek an update on Enforcement Notice EN13/01748 which was served on Mr Benzing, the owner of the field adjacent to Chycarne Farm Cottages and which refers to the refusal of a Planning Application both for a building (but which building still remains *in situ*) and to another building has been constructed. The Council noted that the extension of time granted by the Planning Authority for the development to cease and for the field to be returned to its original use has now expired.

Chairman's initials.....

Cllr Taylor reported that the gate he had constructed across the White Way from Hillside to PROW 25 on Tregonning Hill at the request of the Parish Council to deter motor cyclists from using it had twice been removed from its hinges by a horse rider. He proposed fitting an anti-lift device and a huntsman’s catch, an offer which was gratefully accepted by the Parish Council. (Members noted that this White Way is the subject of a proposed Modification Order WCA.532 which dates from May 2007.) As a member of the Breage and Germoe Bridleways Association, Cllr Mrs Praed said that she would report the matter at the coming meeting.

14 CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS

The Chairman made no comments at this stage.

15 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

No matters for inclusion at future meetings were tabled.

DATES AND TIMES OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday November 5, 2015 at 7.00pm in Balwest Methodist Schoolroom.

Signed.....

Dated.....

Chairman’s initials.....