

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
parish.clerk3@btinternet.com

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Germoe Parish Council held on Thursday January 2, 2020 at 7:00pm in Germoe Church Hall.

Present:

Cllr K.Doerer	Cllr G.Praed
Cllr D.Blencowe	Cllr J.Pickles
Cllr R.Johnson	
Cllr L.Molcher	Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors: There were no visitors.

Wishing everyone present a very happy New Year, the Chairman welcomed members and visitors to the January meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Bell 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 Johnson seconded, Cllr Praed who was absent from the last meeting abstained, and it was agreed that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday December 5, 2019 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 the meeting's agenda.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

6 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS

In the absence of CCllr Keeling, there was no report.

7 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Germoe Parish Council, social media and the wider reporting of the Council's activities

Members noted that since the last meeting two or three news items which may be of interest to readers have been posted on Germoe Parish Council's FaceBook page.

Planning Training

Cllr Blencowe reported that he and Cllr Bell are working both on a training programme for members and on the production of some written advice. It was resolved that the matter as a whole should be included on the agenda for next month's meeting.

8 PARISH MATTERS

Bus Shelter

Members noted that the refurbishment of the bus shelter is in hand.

Members further considered a proposal to provide and service a post-mounted litter-bin near the bus shelter at the meeting in January. Members noted that the cost of the bin and its installation would be in the region of £100 and that Biffa would charge £4.50 net to empty it. Cllr Blencowe proposed, Cllr Praed seconded and it was agreed both

Chairman's initials.....

to install a post-mounted bin and to arrange for it to be emptied on a fortnightly basis. Following further discussion, the Clerk was asked to contact the National Trust with a view to siting a bin at Great Work and it was agreed to consider siting a second bin elsewhere in the Parish at a future meeting.

Footbridge to the Church

Members noted that Cormac's estimator has been out to inspect the abutments and to quote both for their repair and for the repair to the bridge. The quotation is awaited.

Climate Emergency

Members noted that, with the appointment of a programme team, Cornwall Council appears to be pressing ahead with its Forest for Cornwall. A resident has offered to plant some trees on his land and Cllr Johnson has been approached by Defra to plant trees on a rough area of land belonging to him. It was agreed that, as matters stand, the proper way forward is to refer enquiries to Cornwall Council.

The Chairman reported that she and Cllr Bell had attended a meeting in Helston with the theme of "Keeping Warm and Well in your Home". The intention is to set up local drop-in workshops across the area with the remit of offering advice to residents.

Gateway Scheme

Cllr Blencowe reported that the 'gateway' scheme on the Tregonning Hill road is, still, "on-going."

Public Rights of Way within the Parish of Germoe

The Clerk asked for a volunteer to approach individual long-term residents to ask them to complete a Public Path User Form testifying to the use of the track between the present end of PROW 9 and the village.

9 PLANNING

To make observations on planning applications including the following

PA19/10188 Mr and Mrs Curtis – Demolition and rebuild of farmhouse including temporary site office and store all with additional new vehicular access – Higher Chygwins Farm, Tresowes.

and

PA19/10189 Mr and Mrs Curtis – Demolition of former stables and pigsties and construction of 2 x modern agricultural buildings (Barn C and Barn D) – Higher Chygwins Farm, Tresowes.

Cllr Blencowe proposed, Cllr Doeser seconded all others in favour that these two applications should be returned with the following single observation *Germoe Parish Council supports this application to replace unsustainable buildings with modern efficient buildings that are sympathetic to their setting and which maintain the character and distinctiveness of the landscape of Mounts Bay East. The Council welcomes the general improvements to the site, which are intended to increase the efficiency of the farm and consequently improve the farm's contribution to the local rural economy.*

The Parish Council notes the route of the public right of way, as detailed within the "Interactive Map" would conflict with the position of the proposed replacement house.

Decisions

PA19/09232 APPROVED – Variation of condition 2 (plans) of PA16/04828 - The construction of six holiday lodges to improve existing accommodation (amended design for plot 6) – Tremorvu Camp Site, Tresowes Hill – *noted*

PA19/06582 APPROVED – Application for approval of reserved matters (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale) following outline permission of PA18/08595 Construction of single sustainable dwelling including parking and on site drainage – land South of West Acre, Helston Road – *noted*

10 FINANCE

A copy of a statement of Germoe Parish Council's financial position as at January 2, 2020 was placed before members and is attached to these minutes.

The following accounts were presented for consideration:

	GROSS	NET	VAT
TSO Host (two years' website hosting)	£ 42.00	£ 35.00	£ 7.00
Colin Chapman			
Salary (December)	£ 241.72		
travelling	£ 10.00		
telephone	£ 22.07		
office expenses	£ 23.10		

Chairman's initials.....

overcharged	less	£	6.17	
3 x Cornwall Local Plan		£	30.00	
use of home as office		£	20.00	
				total £ 340.72

Cllr Molcher proposed, Cllr Praed seconded and it was agreed that the above two accounts should be paid.

11 REPORT OF CLERK AND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

CC Standards Committee request for information – *noted: the Clerk to reply*

12 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Members noted that recent flooding both near Greenbank Farm and outside the school had been very swiftly dealt with by Cormac.

13 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

The Chairman made no further comments.

14 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Siting a further litter bin within the parish.

Planning Training.

DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

Thursday February 6, 2020 at 7.00pm in **Germoe Church Hall**.

Signed.....

Dated.....

Chairman's initials.....