St Teath Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of St Teath Parish Council held on Tuesday, 1st February 2022 in the Church Hall, St Teath at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs. T Kindgon (Chairman), W Kitto (Vice Chairman), B Fox, T Banks, K Kitto.

Cllr N Turner arrived at 7.30pm.

Also attending: Mrs J Hoskin (Parish Clerk)

Six members of the public

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1	To receive apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Cllr D French and Cllr D Fairman (Cornwall Councillor).	
2	Declarations of Interest – To receive registered and non-registered disclosable interests and non-registerable interests. To advise of any dispensations granted in line with the Code of Conduct. To declare any gifts over the value of £25.00. None declared at this stage of the meeting.	
3	Public Participation – members of the public are invited to speak on items on the agenda or raise items for future agendas (Meeting then closes to the public). The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited the members of the public to address the council if they so wished. A Councillor from Delabole Parish Council stated how frustrated and unhappy she was at the lack of help and progress that had been made in matters to be resolved between the two councils in relation to the Delabole assets and the King George playing field / Fields in Trust that they had been trying to resolve since April. They also welcomed assistance with their proposal to start a Neighbourhood Plan. They questioned payment for the Remembrance Sunday wreath. Affordable housing sites were also mentioned, asking Councillors if they were aware of any sites in Delabole. A request was made for the annual donation towards the upkeep of St Teath cemetery for 2022 and that mention made of the fact that donations had not been received for the previous two years. It was noted that the 1977 Jubilee bench at the lynch gate needed to be renovated and the gentleman offered to carry out this work in time for the Queens Platinum Jubilee in June 2022. The Chairman thanked the parishioner for this offer. A question was asked about the play equipment on the Village Green. Plans for new equipment and the funding for this was explained.	
	Cllr B Fox stated that matters raised in the public session needed to be recorded, with time limits applied and actioned. It was noted that matters raised by the public needed to be placed on the agenda for the following meeting.	
4	To receive and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 4th January 2022. The minutes of the meeting held on the 4 th January 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman; proposed by Cllr K Kitto, seconded by Cllr W Kitto and unanimously agreed.	

5	County Council – report from the Cornwall Council Ward member. Cllr D Fairman was unable to attend the meeting. Cllr Fairman will be asked to feedback information on rewilding (bringing fields back to nature). The Clerk will ask Cllr Fairman for an update on the donation of money from a developer building in North Road.	
6	Clerks Report – for information only. Noted. (Cllr N Turner arrived)	
7	Planning – to receive and report on the following applications and any further applications received between the publication of the agenda and the meeting. a) No applications received. Nothing to report.	
8	Play Area – St Teath Park and Village Green. Inspections and to identify any work required. The Clerk had asked the contractor to monitor the rubbish bin on the village green and empty it on a regular basis. The Outdoor Play People were waiting on parts for the swings on the Village Green. Cornwall Council devolution of the recreation field (football pitch) at St Teath into the parish councils ownership and transfer of existing lease – update if available. The Clerk informed the meeting that Tina McGrath (Community Network officer) dealing with this matter had taken early retirement and left. The Clerk will liaise with the member of staff temporarily managing the Camelford Network for an update. It was noted that St Teath school had been contacted about the use of the field and their plans for using the land in the future. This indicated that Cornwall Council were investigating the devolution request. Grass cutting contract for 2022/2023. The work was being advertised.	Clerk
9	 Finance / Staffing: a) To receive and resolve to pay accounts as circulated. The Chairman had verified the accounts. It was proposed by Cllr N Turner, seconded by Cllr K Kitto and unanimously agreed the accounts be paid. b) Banking and Investments. The Clerk had done some research on investment accounts, but many like CCLA required a large deposit and paid out little interest. The Clerk highlighted the work of the Unity bank used by other local councils and government organisations but they were not taking on any new customers at this time. It was agreed the matter could be reviewed in the future. 	
10	Correspondence – to receive correspondence list – for information only. Noted.	
11	Footpaths – report and update on work required. The Clerk will chase Cormac (Countryside Access Team) on the supply of stile kits and way marker posts. Cllr N Turner offered to speak with a member of the team.	Clerk/ NT
12	Request from the volunteer litter picking group to assist them with the provision of equipment. Cllr B Fox asked the council to also consider providing any equipment needed by the volunteer group that carried out planting and weeding. Feedback from Councillors indicated the group did not require any assistance at this time but could be given help in the future, if needed.	

	It was agreed the litter group could purchase their own equipment and the parish council were happy to reimburse the costs. The Clerk will ask Cornwall Council if they provide any assistance.	Clerk
13	Bus shelters – to establish the repairs needed to the existing bus shelter and fitting of new bench. Update from Clerk on the grant for a new bus shelter in North Road. The Clerk reported the bench had been fitted today. Cormac had installed a kerb and a black/white post to prevent further vehicle damage to the structure. The roof and gutter repair work could now be completed. Cllr K Kitto had submitted the grant application for a new shelter in North Road. Cllr N Turner will visit the proposed site with an officer from Cormac to confirm their acceptance of the location. Cllr Kitto confirmed the site had already been agreed.	WK NT
14	Defibrillator – monitoring and reporting. Having been informed by Duchy Defibrillators that the local person monitoring the defibrillator was no longer carrying out this role, Cllr B Fox had taken on the checks and reporting but needed someone else to carry out this duty should he be unable to do so. Cllr T Banks offered to do this.	BF/TB
15	Neighbourhood Development Plan – update from Cllrs. B Fox and K Kitto. Cllr B Fox updated the meeting on the recent meeting of the NDP group that discussed housing and planning. They raised concerns about the condition of the sewage treatment works. The task was to produce a Neighbourhood Development Plan through evidence gathered from the community. The steering group had no elected status to make decisions on planning applications; but would focus on encouraging new homes to adapt and address climate change throughout the building process. Cllr Fox highlighted the problems in engaging with the 16–19 year olds. The next meeting was being held on the 24 th February 2022 and people would be encouraged to attend. The Clerk will speak to the website provider with reference to a Neighbourhood Development Plan section being put onto the website so their minutes, reports and information could be published. Cllr Kitto asked for a response to this website access as this was first requested in September 2021.	Clerk
16	Cornwall Council Camelford Community Network – feedback from the meeting held on the 25 th January 2022. The Clerk along with Cllr W Kitto and Cllr K Kitto had joined the online teams meeting and gave a verbal report.	
17	Queens Platinum Jubilee in June 2022 – proposals to commemorate the occasion. Discussions were being held in the village to celebrate this event, including decorating the bus shelter, planting a tree and an event on the village green. The Clerk had produced posters seeking parishioner's views.	
18	Agenda items for the next meeting to be submitted to the Clerk by Friday 18 th February 2022. O Traffic management scheme	
19	To advise of the date for the next Full Council Meeting – Tuesday, 1st March 2022.	
20	To close the meeting. There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25pm.	

Dated. 1st March 2022

Signed.