

## **DRAFT MINUTES**

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### **Minutes of a Tywardreath and Par Parish Council Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021 at 7.00pm at Tywardreath Village Hall**

**Present** Cllrs C Wildish (Chairman), Hazeldean, Hughes, Mount, L Phillips, M Phillips, Shroff, Taylor, Truscott and A Wildish

**In attendance** The Parish Clerk, Sally Vincent

**21/103 To receive and accept apologies for absence**  
Cllr Taylor, Cornwall Cllr A Virr

#### **21/104 Declaration of Interests**

1. Pecuniary – None
2. Non Registerable – None
3. Dispensations – Cllr Hughes has been granted a dispensation by the Parish Clerk in any matters pertaining to allotments, effective until 2025

**21/105 Public Questions**  
None

**21/106 To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021**  
Cllr Mount proposed, Cllr Truscott seconded and it was RESOLVED that the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman.

**21/107 Matters arising from the minutes not on the Agenda – *for report only***  
None

#### **21/108 To receive the Cornwall Councillor's Report**

Cllr Virr had supplied the following report  
Highway Schemes I welcome the publication of the Network Highway schemes for parish council and public consultation. Please review the schemes related to our patch and feedback to Highways. I have been assured of delivery from March 2022.

Par Co-Op Highways have fitted a new very sign on the car park exit onto Eastcliffe Road highlighting the one-way direction of the road.

Covid-19 Update I'm sure you will all be aware of media reports in the past few days regarding the emergence of the new Covid-19 variant, Omicron. At the weekend, the Prime Minister confirmed some new, temporary measures to respond to emergence of a number of UK cases of the Omicron variant. The purpose of these measures is to slow the arrival and spread of Omicron in the UK, while we find out as much as we can about the variant and do all we can to get the population vaccinated and boosted.

The key measures that have been announced are:

All contacts of suspected Omicron cases must self-isolate for 10 days, regardless of their vaccination status. They will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace;

A red list of countries and territories has been put in place with some restrictions on arrivals from these countries; and

From 30 November, unless exempt, you must wear a face covering on public transport and in shops. Secondary schools have been informed by the Department for Education that children and teachers are required to wear a face mask in corridors and communal areas.

All changes took place from 4am this morning and will be reviewed in three weeks' time on Friday, December 17.

Whilst in Cornwall our cases have been relatively stable in the past few months, and among the lowest in the South West, the number of cases is currently rising again. We have never been complacent. We have always urged our residents to remain cautious and follow the basic public health advice from our excellent local public health team – and we will continue to encourage everyone to keep staying safe by:

Following the new guidance

Getting the vaccines, and booster doses when you are eligible

If you have symptoms get a PCR test, stay at home

Washing your hands often

Letting fresh air in if you are socialising indoors

Use LFD tests before spending time in enclosed busy spaces where there is limited fresh air or before visiting someone vulnerable

As trusted leaders within your communities, we would ask you to help us, by spreading this message. You can find all of this new guidance on the gov.uk website

Thanks As we head to the end of another year, please can I pass on my thanks for the hard work of the Councillors – your support for your communities is invaluable.

#### **21/109 To receive reports from Parish Council Representatives**

No reports

#### **21/110 To receive and note any minutes from Parish Council Committees**

Planning – noted

Environment –noted

Finance –noted

#### **21/111 Correspondence**

Correspondence had been electronically circulated to members and was 'left on the table' for Councillors attention.

#### **21/112 Accounts for Approval**

Cllr M Phillips proposed, Cllr L Phillips seconded and it was RESOLVED that payment of accounts totalling £1,784.05 be approved.

#### **21/113 Resolutions from Councillors**

None

### **21/114 Reports form Councillors with Individual Responsibilities**

Par Playground: Cllr Shroff reported: The play park at the beach has had a new fence due to a health and safety issue. The fence has also had wire stapled on to the fence to safety standards so small children cannot climb through it, there was another rotten fencing stake on the outer perimeter which has been replaced. Andy has finished it today and thanks go to him for such a professional job. On another note, some children left some poppies with their teacher on the Parish Council seat and I've agreed to move them. Thanks to the nursery who put poppies around Tywardreath and Par.

Par Beach Toilets: The Parish Clerk reported that Cormac had cleared the drains and confirmed that the pump was functioning correctly. However, Russell had reported that the disabled toilet was now blocked and the flushing mechanism was not working. The Parish Clerk confirmed that she had arranged for an electrician to look at this. It was agreed that he should be asked to look at the security lights at the same time. It was also agreed that a quote should also be obtained for the work to level the floor in the disabled toilet.

### **21/115 Radar Speed Signs**

Approval of a suitable site on Par Green for a radar sign was awaited from Highways. The Parish Clerk would chase up the installation of the sign in Tehidy Road.

### **21/116 Treemill Triangle**

It was proposed by Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr Truscott and RESOLVED that the parish council should purchase one bench at the cost of £506.49 plus vat.

### **21/117 Action Plan**

Ongoing, no update.

### **21/118 Vine Place**

Ongoing, no update.

### **21/119 Quiet Lanes**

Ongoing, no update.

### **21/120 Budget 2022/2023**

Cllr M Phillips explained the rationale behind the draft budget calculated by the Finance Committee, which had resulted in a recommended reduction in the precept of £2270.00. Cllr C Wildish pointed out that general expenditure was unlikely to reduce in the current economic climate and queried if a reduction was a sensible move; would it be better to freeze the budget for 2022/2023? Cllr L Phillips agreed that this would be a more appropriate way forward. Cllr Hughes considered that reducing the precept may result in the necessity for a more significant increase in 2023/2024 and the cost of maintaining it at the current level compared to the small reduction suggested would make very little difference in the cost to each household. Cllr Hughes then proposed, Cllr C Wildish seconded and it was RESOLVED that the precept should be frozen at £45,394.00. A vote of thanks was recorded to Cllr M Phillips for all his

work in preparing the budget and overseeing the Council's finances throughout the year.

### **21/121 Parish Councillors Reports**

Cllr Shroff reported that a seat on Polmear Road had been painted and moved across the road by a local resident.

Cllr Hazeldean queried how best to progress a Climate Change Policy. It was agreed that a Working Group should be set up to investigate this and Cllr Hazeldean agreed to take the lead on this project.

Cllr Truscott reported that the Poldrea drains had now been cleared successfully following the recent flooding.

Cllr C Wildish drew members attention to the Councillor Safety webinar taking place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December; she encouraged colleagues to attend.

**Date of Next Meeting**            6<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Meeting Closed**                7.40 pm