

DRAFT MINUTES

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Minutes of a Tywardreath and Par Parish Council Meeting held on 7th March 2024 at 7.00pm at the Methodist Church, Tywardreath

Present Cllrs C Wildish (Chairman), Hazeldean, Hughes, L Phillips, M Phillips, Taylor and Cllr A Wildish

In attendance The Parish Clerk, Sally Vincent

23/136 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllr Nicholls, Cllr Truscott
Cornwall Cllr A Virr

23/137 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.

23/138 Public Questions

None.

23/139 To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 1st February 2024

It was proposed by Cllr A Wildish, seconded Cllr Hughes and RESOLVED that the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman.

23/140 Matters arising from the minutes not on the Agenda – *for report only*

Westernweb were developing a dedicated Climate Action section on the Parish Council website.

It was noted that some Register of Interest forms were not showing on the Cornwall Council website. Members agreed to check that their own Registers were showing and, if not, to resubmit.

South West Water had shared some updated information about the proposed desalination project with the public.

23/141 To receive the Cornwall Councillor's Report

Cllr Virr had provided the following report.

Bus Service changes

- Bus service user numbers have dropped since Covid (and predated move of the 25 away from the Safe Harbour pub stop in Fowey).
- We need to promote and encourage bus use.
- Cheap £2 singles available on routes.
- 24** service will no longer route Fowey to Mevagissy, but instead Fowey to St Austell. Reason for the change – larger passenger numbers between Mevagissy and St Austell requiring a larger bus. But company conscious of

public demand *not* to change Safe Harbour bus stop in Fowey. Therefore, route has been split into two. 24 service now only serving Fowey to St Austell. Sunday service maintained. Route now every 90 minutes, but Safe Harbour stop remains. Key message is about bus passenger numbers. This is a *commercial* route and could be threatened (in my view) if numbers do not pick up. Route no longer going via Tywardreath (see 25 service).

-25 is the subsidised Transport for Cornwall service and will continue with current timetable, but route will be changed to pick up passengers at Castledore / Tywardreath. Remains an hourly service.

-On Sundays bus users will need to pick up the 24 service in Par, or use main line train services.

Par Beach Access Road I am pleased to report the pot holes have been filled along the access road to Par Beach. I am grateful for the Par Beach Management Group working collectively on a capital bid to improve the road drainage and have the road resurfaced.

Speed Survey Par I am awaiting the report of the recent speed monitoring following the 20mph installation.

Tywardreath Hill I continue to chase up the legal team and Highways to expedite the wall repairs and get the wall reopened. Unfortunately I have no influence over securing a legal agreement between the two parties.

23/142 To receive reports from Parish Council Representatives

Par Beach Management Cllr Hazeldean reported that the defibrillator issue had been discussed once again and there was a great deal of frustration that this had not been progressed. Cllr Hazeldean had obtained details of a defibrillator and it appeared that there would be no ongoing costs associated with it if the parish council allowed it to be sited on the Par Beach toilets. Members considered that there would always be ongoing costs for maintenance, insurance, inspections etc. and still felt that there were more suitable sites for a defibrillator. However, after further discussion Cllr Hughes proposed, Cllr Taylor seconded and it was RESOLVED that the parish council would allow the defibrillator to be sited at the public toilets and would provide the electricity required but would not accept any responsibility whatsoever for ownership, ongoing maintenance, regular inspection or insurance and would require details of how this would be achieved prior to installation.

Cllr Hazeldean reported that another issue discussed was that the car park at the end of the beach could be made less available for cars and be used by 'Making Place for Sand.' Cllr C Wildish recorded that she personally felt that this would be a retrograde step as this was the only area that disabled people could actually access and look out to sea.

23/143 To receive and note any minutes from Parish Council Committees

Planning – noted

Environment – no report

Finance – Cllr M Phillips noted that a Finance Meeting had been held earlier in the evening

23/144 Correspondence

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

23/145 Accounts for Approval

Cllr M Phillips proposed, Cllr Hughes seconded and it was RESOLVED that payment of accounts totalling £3,396.34 be approved.

23/146 Resolutions from Councillors

None.

23/147 Local Maintenance Partnership 2024/2025

Cllr M Phillips proposed, Cllr Hughes seconded and it was RESOLVED that a decision should be deferred as a suitable contractor to carry out the work had yet to be identified.

23/148 Action Plan

Vine Place. No update.

Polmear Community Orchard. Cllr C Wildish reported that some of the trees needed to be re-mulched and some new stakes were required. Cllr Nicholls had also recommended that a shelter belt be planted; he would be happy to do this.

23/149 Hamleys Corner

Cllr M Phillips reported that all the tenders had now been received and the Finance Committee had met to discuss the way forward. The Committee had noted that the cost of development had risen very significantly since the decision had been made to apply for planning permission to develop the property into a dwelling to rent out and provide a home for a local person and a regular income for the parish council; this was partly attributable to the pandemic. The projected value of the property was now clearly less than the build cost so reluctantly they had concluded that it would no longer be financially justifiable to continue with the redevelopment. The recommendation was that the property should be sold with planning permission. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Taylor, seconded Cllr Hazeldean and RESOLVED that the property be put on the open market.

23/150 D Day

Cllr A Wildish queried if ISOT or the Church would be staging anything to commemorate the occasion but members were unaware of any plans. They felt, however, that it would possibly be more appropriate to work towards organising something for 2025.

23/151 Flood Plan

Cllr C Wildish noted that there had been flooding at the bottom of Tehidy Road recently and she felt that Par was beginning to get distanced from the current Plan. Cllr Taylor responded that this should not be the case and it was agreed that Cllr C Wildish would speak to Amy Pearce about it. People were also encouraged to sign up to Environment Agency Flood Warnings

23/152 Parish Councillors Reports

Cllr L Phillips reported that she had attended a meeting in Luxulyan about restoring the leat system in the Luxulyan Valley.

Cllr Hazeldean reported that the speed radar sign in Tehidy Road was now working but people were still speeding, mostly going down towards Par. Cllr C Wildish would make enquiries about the possibility of a Speed Check Group being used.

Cllr Hazeldean reported that the Desalination Information Group were holding an Open Day on Saturday 16th March in the Par Scout Hall.

Given that this was his last meeting, Cllr M Phillips was presented with a gift by Cllr C Wildish to thank him for his dedication to the Parish Council over many years.

Date of Next Meeting 4th April 2024 @ 7pm in Well Street Methodist Church

Meeting Closed 7.50pm