

DRAFT MINUTES

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Minutes of a Tywardreath and Par Parish Council Meeting held on 5th December 2024 at 6.45pm at the Methodist Church, Tywardreath

Present Cllr Hazeldean, Cllr Hughes, Cllr Phillips, Cllr Truscott and Cllr A Wildish

In attendance The Parish Clerk, Sally Vincent
4 members of the public (part)

24/91 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllrs C Wildish (Chairman), Cllr Nicholls, Cllr Taylor
Cornwall Cllr A Virr

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr C Wildish, it was proposed by Cllr Phillips, seconded Cllr Truscott and RESOLVED that Cllr Hughes should take the Chair for this meeting

24/92 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.

24/93 Public Questions

Caroline Stephenson addressed the meeting about the Luxulyan Valley, a small part of which is in Tywardreath & Par parish. She reported progress in the last 4 weeks in that landowners, business owners and stakeholders had attended a meeting she had called the week following her presentation at the November Council meeting. This had really brought it home to her that landowners within the valley boundary were being poorly treated by Cornwall Council and should be better supported, including financially, if the valley is to be protected and enhanced as a visitor experience. Her vision was to create ‘Gateways to Heritage and Nature’ and with landowner support create a special area that ordinary people want to see, including managing and reducing the number of cars in the valley by creating designated car parks on adjoining farmland, improving the surfaces of footpaths, removing barriers for less mobile people. Other possibilities for development could include bike hire, using horses for woodland maintenance, creating craft workshops using local materials. She considered that local management would become essential as going forwards Cornwall Council have no money to allocate a budget for the valley and the existing valley pot of hydro funding of £44K must be flexible so that she can access it to promote her ideas.

A member of the public queried the Parish Councils intentions regarding the shared boundary hedge between 6, Mount Bennett Road and the Lower

Poldrea allotments. Western Power had cut the growth around their power line but the remainder of the hedge was very overgrown. He had obtained a quote from Mr Haywood of £500 to cut the allotment side of the hedge and he would pay for the cutting on his side of the boundary. The Clerk confirmed that she had shared this quote with the members but they had concluded that it was rather high and a second quote was required. This had yet to be secured but if the owners of 6, Mount Bennett Road wished to cut their side of the hedge and access the allotment site if necessary to facilitate this there would be no problem for them to do so.

24/94 Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th November 2024

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

24/95 Matters arising from the minutes not on the Agenda – for report only

The Parish Clerk confirmed that she had instructed Stephens Scown to act on behalf of the Parish Council in respect of the devolution of Polmear Orchard. The Parish Clerk confirmed that she had asked if the Vine Place green space could be devolved without the car park area, the toilet block and responsibility for the road running through the site. There had been no response as yet.

24/96 To receive the Cornwall Councillor's Report

Cllr Virr had supplied the following report.

Tehidy Road Broken Drain I have received this update from Highways regarding the broken drain awaiting repair: "We are in the process of programming the permanent repair of the broken drain in this area. As the work requires a road closure we are intending to complete the works after the school term."

Tywardreath Hill Road Closure Here is the latest update from Highways regarding the ongoing road closure. I accept this is very frustrating. "There is still legal work to be finalised, but the easement agreement is progressing. Once we have confirmation of the easement date, we can advise of a proposed restart date for the works."

24/97 To receive reports from Parish Council Representatives

Par Beach Management Group Cllr Hazeldean reported that PL24 PL24 had requested that the Parish Council accept responsibility for a new bench that they would buy and which would be sited on the grass area owned by Cornwall Council opposite the entrance to Par station. The Parish Clerk confirmed that if the Parish Council was prepared to do this then it would be responsible for maintenance and, ultimately, removal. She had confirmed the following with Cornwall Council via email (CC answers in red). *What responsibility would lie with the parish council should we accept responsibility for this bench. Would it simply be that we accept responsibility for maintenance and long-term disposal? YES. Would the parish council need to insure it, for instance? NO. Also, should there be an accident of some kind would public liability responsibility lie with Cornwall Council? YES. If an accident occurred due to poor maintenance, for example, would liability still remain with Cornwall Council? YES Would Cornwall Council expect to see regular Risk Assessments from the Parish Council? NO.* It was proposed by

Cllr Hazeldean, seconded Cllr Phillips and RESOLVED that the Parish Council should accept responsibility for this bench on this basis.

24/98 To receive and note any minutes from Parish Council Committees

Planning – noted

Finance – no report

24/99 Correspondence

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

24/100 Accounts for Approval

Cllr Truscott proposed, Cllr Phillips seconded and it was RESOLVED that payment of accounts totalling £3,454.03 be approved.

24/101 Resolutions from Councillors

None.

24/102 Election to Committees

It was proposed by Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr A Wildish and RESOLVED that Cllr Truscott should be elected on to the Planning Committee.

It was proposed by Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr Phillips and RESOLVED that Cllr Truscott and Cllr Hazeldean should be elected on to the Finance Committee.

24/103 Parish Councillors Reports

Cllr Truscott had spoken to a contractor about the wood/rubbish at Glenview allotments. The contractor would remove all the rubbish with his truck but would require payment in advance; he had supplied an approximate figure.

The Clerk was authorised to approve this if necessary and when the final cost was known. Cllr Truscott agreed to continue to liaise with the contractor and to update the Clerk as necessary.

Date of Next Meeting 9th January 2025

Meeting Closed 7.20pm