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MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF SENNEN PARISH COUNCIL HELD VIA ZOOM ON FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2020 AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT

Councillors Mr A Thomas (Chairman), Mr A Tonkin, Mr C McClary, Mr A Semmens, Mr C Angove, Mr A Rowe and Mr D Angove.

ALSO PRESENT

Councillor Mrs Helen Hawkins, Mrs A Male (Clerk) and two members of the public.

21-44 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies had been received.

21-45 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

21-46 DISPENSATION APPLICATIONS

No applications had been received.

21-47 INFORMATION AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No member of the public wished to speak.

21-48 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th September 2020 having been circulated, it was resolved that they should be signed as a true and correct record.

21-49 PUBLIC TOILETS

- Councillors were informed that there had been communication with Cormac. Donald Martin had now replaced Rob Andrews as the person that was dealing with this matter. It had been hoped that James Hardy would have been able to arrange a meeting. Unfortunately, due to a family bereavement, the site meeting was on hold.
- Councillor Semmens gave an update on the harbour toilets saying that they were in the process of being re-opened subject to a cleaning contract from Cormac Solutions Ltd. Councillor Mrs Hawkins asked how far that had progressed and Councillor Semmens replied that there had been issues with the original contract so a new one was being supplied.

21-50 PLAYGROUND

There was nothing to report on this matter.

21-51 COUNCIL WEBSITE

Two responses had been received from local website businesses. However, Councillor McClary suggested using Hugo Fox Ltd who handled Cury Parish Council's website and those of four hundred and fifty parish councils around the UK. Hugo Fox offered three levels of service: silver at £20 per month, gold at £30 per month and a bronze level that was free. All three levels offered a planning tracker. It was decided to circulate the link to Hugo Fox Ltd. Councillor Mrs Hawkins reminded councillors that the website was required to be compliant with the new regulations.

21-52 CASUAL VACANCY

The clerk reported that at least ten parishioners had requested a by election so the vacancies would not be filled until the election in May 2021.

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21-53 PLANNING

• **Planning Applications**

No planning applications had been received for discussion.

• **Decisions and Other**

- A list of decisions was read out.
- Appeal Decision PA20/01117 – Mr and Mrs Walker - Sanderling, Sennen. Appeal allowed; no costs claimed.
- Appeal Decision PA19/08799 - Mr J Robertson – Sennen Rise, Mayon Farm, Sennen. Appeal dismissed; no costs claimed.

• **Correspondence**

- Local Council Planning Conference, Wednesday 21st October 2020. No councillor wished to attend.

21-54 FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS

- Minack Theatre Traffic Signage – This matter was not discussed.
- Councillors were informed that the path to Sunny Corner Lane would be done within the next two months and that all other matters would be dealt with in one package.
- Boardwalk through bottoms on path from Trengothal to Penrose needed assessing and repairing. It was queried whether this matter had been flagged up and the clerk replied that it had been reported following the August meeting.
- Speeding traffic on Seaview Hill – Councillor Mrs Hawkins informed the meeting that she had met with Rupert Spencer (Highways Manager) who agreed that the parish council could go ahead with the Vehicle Activated Signs as long as they were not moveable. Councillor McClary queried why he had not received the costs from the clerk who responded that she had sent them along with the footpath maps that he had received.
- Captain Harvey/Colin Luckhurst seat at Carn Olva - There had been a question about the whereabouts of this seat but it seemed that it had been removed for repair and would be returned within a couple of weeks.
- A question had been raised about the installation of yellow lines in the cove. Councillor Mrs Hawkins informed members that the matter was on the list for Phase 2 of the Community Network Panel Highways Schemes. However, Phase 1 was not finished yet so it was not going to come quickly; should the parish council wish to fund the scheme it would cost in the region of £6000.
- Councillor Mrs Hawkins told councillors that, following reports of non-refund of money paid for holidays that had had to be cancelled at a local caravan park, the Police had become involved.
- Councillor Mrs Hawkins had contacted the Chairman about people within the parish that should be recommended to receive a letter of thanks from the Lord Lieutenant Edward Bolitho for their work during the pandemic and the two shops had been suggested.

21-55 REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL MEETINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- West Penwith Community Network Panel, Thursday 17th September 2020 – Councillor McClary had attended this meeting and reported that it was a standard meeting. There would be a Police Liaison meeting in October to which the matter of wild camping would be referred. Also, details of a Dark Skies photo competition had been announced.

21-56 FINANCE

- Payments totalling £2670.86 from the Parish Council account were agreed.
- The purchase of a Christmas tree was discussed. It would not be possible to obtain a tree from the previous supplier and it was suggested that a tree be purchased from Mole

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Valley Farmers and that the clerk make enquiries. It was agreed that the tree added cheer to the area but felt that some more enthusiasm was needed and, if the school agreed, a group be formed to put some lights along the school building. It was agreed that, if this were to happen, a professionally installed socket would be required. The Chairman offered to investigate the length of lights that would be required and the cost and then he would approach the school. Councillor McClary offered to put something on Facebook and, if a group wanted to set themselves up, perhaps the parish council could contribute towards the cost of the lights. It was suggested that an annual contribution could be included in the precept. Councillor Mrs Hawkins offered a Community Chest grant.

21-57 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT MONTHS AGENDA

- Arrangements for Remembrance Sunday would require discussion.
- The noticeboard still needed moving so Councillors C McClary and D Angove would have a look and bring ideas back to the meeting.
- The need for a policy for advertising Casual Vacancies.
- There were no additional matters.

21-58 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held virtually on Friday 6th November 2020.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.47pm

Chairman
6th November 2020