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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENNEN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE CHURCHTOWN VILLAGE HALL, SENNEN ON FRIDAY 5TH JANUARY 2018 AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT

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

ALSO PRESENT

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

18-130 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Mr T Gwennap.

18-131 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Mr A Thomas and Mr C Angove declared an interest in Planning Application No PA17/11633. Councillors Mr A Thomas, Mr A Semmens and Mr M Gwennap declared an interest in any discussion about Sennen Recreation Centre.

18-132 DISPENSATION APPLICATIONS

No applications had been received.

18-133 INFORMATION AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Councillor Mrs Helen Hawkins spoke to councillors about having a Community Emergency Plan and explained that somebody could attend a meeting to speak about the matter.

Councillors agreed to accept this offer. Councillor Mrs Helen Hawkins also informed members that the Fairer Funding For Cornwall Campaign had been launched.

18-134 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th January 2018 having been circulated, it was resolved that they should be signed as a true and correct record.

18-135 SENNEN RECREATION CENTRE

Councillor C Angove took the Chair for this discussion. The Management Committee of Sennen Recreation Centre had written to the Parish Council stating their loss of trust in the Trustees and requesting that the three remaining trustees relinquish their position and that Sennen Parish Council as a body accept responsibility for the building. A statement from the Chairman of the Parish Council was read out to councillors explaining that an application had been made to the Land Registry and the registering of the building was hoped to be concluded as soon as possible. One member felt that there did seem to have been a lot of things being said against each other and nothing being done and that, perhaps, a copy of the lost deeds could be notarised and used. The Chair explained that documents had been going back and forth between the solicitor and the Land Registry. It was suggested that the solicitor need to put in writing the timescale to complete this matter. It was pointed out that the newer councillors were unaware of the history of this issue although one stated that he had taken the last month to get the history. Although the Management Committee were asking for the trustees to resign it was suggested that, perhaps they should hold on until information in writing had been requested from the solicitor. Councillors were advised that the Parish Council had no authority to instruct the solicitor and, though it may request the resignation of the trustees, the Parish Council could not demand it. A meeting between the Management Committee and the Parish Council was suggested but it was felt that a

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mediator would be required. A lengthy discussion followed involving members of the public and, latterly, the trustees. It was decided to defer this matter to the next meeting.

Four members of the public left the meeting.

18-136 POLICE INFORMATION

- Police report – No report for December was yet available.
- Police Liaison Group, Wednesday 24th January 2018 – The Chairman and Councillor C Angove had attended the meeting and explained that it was an initial opportunity to decide the way forward and the meetings were to be held quarterly. Members were reminded that the email address for reporting issues was 101@dc.police.uk.

18-137 BEACH CAR PARK TOILETS

The Chairman informed members that he had applied for a grant towards the cost of the electrical work from the Divisional Member's Community Chest and was in the process of obtaining estimates. The application needed to be in by 16th February 2018, but Councillor Mrs Helen Hawkins said that it was possible to roll it over if she knew in advance.

One member of the public left the meeting.

18-138 PLAYGROUND

An email had been received from the Head, Mr Bill Coleman, outlining the proposal for the management of the playground; the school would own the equipment and grounds and the Parish Council would manage the grounds out of school hours using its public liability insurance during that time. The Chairman explained that the school had been happy to resurface the MUGA but it now seemed that the Academy Trust would only be happy to go ahead if the school owned it. The question of the contribution towards the maintenance was raised and the Chairman explained that it was proposed that each side put an amount into a pool each year. It was suggested that, if Cornwall Council was happy for the school to take on the licence, the new licence should be agreed and that the school should be allowed to have the MUGA on the same basis. There was to be another meeting with the school on Tuesday 20th February 2018 and this information would be relayed to the school.

18-139 PLANNING

- **Plans**
 - PA17/11633 – The Committee and Trustees of SCTH - Renovation and extension to Churchtown Hall to provide upgraded facilities and new multi-purpose rooms at Churchtown Hall, Sennen. It was agreed to strongly support.
- **Decisions and Appeals**
 - No decisions had been received.
- **Neighbourhood Development Plan**

It was reported that James Hardy (CC) was busy setting the St Just Neighbourhood Development Plan in progress and that he would get back in touch after Easter. It was agreed that the public meetings should be organised with an initial public meeting. The Chairman would sort out a couple of dates in April and Councillor C McClary offered to produce posters and distribute them. It was suggested that a slip for contact details could be distributed but Councillor McClary told members that this would be done at the meeting.

18-140 FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS

- A list of replies to questions raised at the previous meeting had been received from Mike Peters (Cormac) and forwarded to the councillors. Some issues were to be dealt with in the future, some immediately and other problems had no solution. A question about not

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having a reply to the visibility as vehicles egressed from Cove Road was raised by the councillor who said that he had asked the question. The clerk apologised for missing this question and, hence, not minuting it, and would request a reply by the next meeting.

- Several contractors had shown an interest in taking on the footpath cutting and it was agreed that an estimate of the length of the paths to be cut should be calculated and then prices could be sought. As part of some of the paths did not require cutting it was suggested that a councillor could walk the paths and decide.
- It was reported there were ongoing discussions at No Place with a meeting that month.

18-141 FINANCE

- Payments totalling £1218.22 from the Parish Council account and £120.00 from the Burial Committee account were agreed.

18-142 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- West Penwith Community Network Panel. Thursday 18th January 2018 - The Chairman, Councillor C Angove and Councillor A Tonkin had attended this meeting. A presentation had been received from Police and Crime Commissioner, Alison Hernandez, during which she had spoken about the budget explaining that the Police receive £12.00 per head for a Band B property and she spoke of her ways forward. The door of Penzance Police Station would not be re-opened. There was a suggestion of bi and tri service officers.
- Cornwall Council re Proposal to change car parking charges proposals, 2018 Off-Street Parking Order – Concerns were raised about the cost of parking in Penzance car parks being increased.

18-143 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

No additional matters were requested for discussion at the next meeting.

18-144 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting would be Friday 2nd March 2018 in Churchtown Village Hall.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

Chairman
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