

Minutes of the meeting of Sennen Parish Council held in the Churchtown Village Hall, Sennen on Friday 4th October 2019 at 7.00pm.

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

Also present: Councillor Mrs Helen Hawkins (minute-taker in agreed absence of Mrs A Male, Clerk for family reasons).

1. **Apologies for absence:** Apologies were received from Councillor D Jenkin.
2. **Declarations of interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
3. **Dispensation applications:** No applications had been received.
4. **Presentation from Kevin Brader:** Item was on the agenda but no further information on this was available at the meeting.
5. **Information and comments from the public:** Councillor Mrs Hawkins gave a progress report on the Star-gazing event at the Minack due to take place on October 12th, and confirmed that a sum of around £500 was still available from the Community Chest if required to support an application for VAS on the A30 at Sennen.
6. **Minutes of previous meeting:** The minutes of the meeting held on 6th September were approved and signed by the Chair.
7. **Police Information:** No formal report from the police was available to the meeting, but Cllr Tonkin reported on the traffic issues in Sennen Cove where parked cars and vans made it difficult for buses to turn. There was reiteration of the need for non-seasonal double yellow lines in the Cove and of the possible advantage of a local enforcement officer to uphold parking restrictions.
8. **Licence for playground:** The Clerk had passed the licence to the Chair for signature and it had been passed to the solicitor. Now this is finalised the Parish Council will need to amend its insurance.
9. **Beach Car Park Toilets:** An officer from Cornwall Council had attended the site and promised that Cormac would investigate the leak; it was noted that the leak in the roof had been present before the running of the toilets was handed over to the Parish Council. A phone call was received the next day to say that a Cormac representative would visit soon. Later a member of the public reported that he had directed a representative to the toilets and that this representative had said that the repairs made had sorted the problem and there was no need for any further action. No further formal communication on this matter was available to the Parish Council. Cllr Hawkins agreed to pursue the matter with Cornwall Council, and asked for any names or dates relevant to the matter to be passed on. There was concern over the size of the monthly charges made by South West Water, the current one being over £3,000 reflecting the escalation of the leak. It was agreed later in the meeting that Cllrs Semmens and Thomas would contact SWW to request putting the bill on hold to check whether the liability of the Parish Council as it is a tenant and not the owner of the property. [At this point in the meeting Cllrs McClary and Semmens left for a shout.]
10. **Remembrance Day Service:** Cllr Thomas would check with the clerk if the wreath and poppies had been ordered.
11. **Planning:**

- PA19/07601, Mr and Mrs Walker, Conversion of Garage to form holiday let at garage read of Sanderling, Sennen Cove. Decision: the Parish Council supports the application unanimously, but raised concerns over the issue of the gas tank at neighbouring Pengelly House as declared on the planning portal; the position of the gas tank is said to be too close to the garage at Sanderling for it to be a dwelling.
 - PA19/07162, Mrs Cai Mallet, Proposed 3 bedroom replacement low-energy dwelling with improved vehicular and pedestrian access at Thalassa, Sennen Cove. Decision: the Parish Council supports the application unanimously but noted the comments made by Highways on access and proximity to highway.
 - 23.09.2019 PA19/06813 APPROVED Applicant: Mr And Mrs R Durrant Location: Sunny Bank Cottage Sennen Penzance Cornwall TR19 7AR Proposal: Outline planning permission with all matters reserved: Replacement of a dwelling house and a residential caravan with 2 dwelling houses and domestic garage Parish : Sennen. The approval was noted.
12. **Footpaths and highways:** The railings opposite the School had still not been repaired; this is the responsibility of Sustrans. The footbridge still had only temporary fencing; this was the responsibility CC footpaths and Cllr Hawkins agreed to check on this. Potholes at the foot of Stonechair Lane, and it was agreed that the best way to pursue this was to use Report it on the CC website.
- [Cllrs Semmens and McClary returned to the meeting]
13. **Finance:** With regard to the SWW bill it was noted that the lack of water meter needs to be sorted when Cormac return to look at the problem. No details of progress on the purchase of a Christmas tree were available.
14. **Reports from Councillors and Correspondence** No correspondence was available to the meeting. Cllr Thomas report on the Community Network Meeting in St Just Library, and that St Just Town Council would be transferring to this building. No Cllr had any knowledge of a request for a seat on Stonechair lane. Cllr Thomas had received a request for a bus shelter at the top of Seaview hill opposite Sunny Corner Lane; Cllr Hawkins will check details of acquiring a bus shelter with Madron Parish Council, where this is in progress.
15. **Items for next month's agenda:** Minack Theatre traffic. Footpaths and grass cutting. Cllr Semmens reported that the proposed change to kissing gates would not now be permitted, as the CC footpath policy is to keep stone stiles for heritage reasons.
16. **Date of next meeting:** confirmed as Friday 1st November 2019

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.12.

The Council went into private session, but Cllr Hawkins stayed.