

St Teath Parish Council

Minutes of the Zoom Meeting of St Teath Parish Council held on Tuesday, 2nd February 2021 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs. R Lyle (Chairman), N Turner, J Richards, G Heard, A Stacey, C Keat.

Also attending: Mrs J Hoskin (Parish Clerk)
Cllr D Fairman (Cornwall Council) – left at 8.00pm
Eleven members of the public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and notified those present that he would be recording proceedings to assist the Clerk in the drafting of the minutes. He also reminded everyone on the protocol for public meetings asking the public to refrain from using the chat function during proceedings. He asked everyone to ensure they were Covid compliant within their zoom settings.

Item No		Action by
1	<p>To receive apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Cllrs. T Kingdon (Vice Chairman), W Kitto, P Homans, L Rose.</p> <p>Resignation. At this point of the meeting the Chairman announced he had received a letter of resignation from Cllr Mandy Upsall. This was accepted. The Clerk confirmed that Cornwall Council would not advertise the vacancy given that elections for all councillors were being held within the next six months (May 2021).</p>	
2	<p>Declarations of Interest – To receive registered and non-registered disclosable interests and non-registerable interests. To advise of any dispensations granted in line with the Code of Conduct. To declare any gifts over the value of £25.00. None declared at this stage of the meeting.</p>	
3	<p>Public Participation – members of the public are invited to speak on items on the agenda or raise items for future agendas (Meeting then closes to the public). The Chairman invited the public to address the council, if they so wished reminding those attending this public session was the only opportunity for them to do so.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The council were thanked for placing the paving slabs at the base of the new dog bin at Treligga Downs Road. Cllr G Heard reported the slabs would be concreted in once the weather improved. ○ The Council confirmed there was no update on the fencing around the Quarry (the quarry's responsibility). The litter around the quarry was also reported. ○ The council noted the report of damage to the kerbs in Vell Lane which the public felt was caused by tractors going in and out. A recent report of mud on the road had been cleared by the farmer / contractor. ○ A local resident was organising a litter pick around Delabole (not parish council) ○ A comment was made about the length of the grass being cut and the lady felt that it should be left to grow longer to address the needs for wildlife. ○ It was confirmed that the fence around the cricket club wicket had been put up; and the club would cut the grass. 	

4	<p>To receive and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5th January 2021. The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th January 2021 were approved and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr J Richards, seconded by Cllr G Heard and unanimously agreed.</p>	
5	<p>Clerks Report – for information only. The Clerk tabled her report.</p>	
6	<p>County Councillor report – Cllr Dominic Fairman. Report from the Shadow Council appointed to oversee the setting up of the new Delabole Parish Council. Progress on work funded by the Community Network Highways Scheme. Cllr Fairman reported on the proposed highway scheme at Delabole that focused on the congestion in the High Street and this will go to public consultation once the current covid lockdown was lifted.</p>	
7	<p>Governance Review and Shadow Council – Councillors to raise any questions or matters in relation to the Shadow Council that require action or clarification.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To receive an answer to the request that Delabole Ward members join the Shadow Council to oversee the transition process. Cllr Fairman told the meeting how he had set up the Shadow Council group. He also notified the Parish Council that there was no Shadow Council from now on; as the precept had been done. Cllr Fairman stated that he had been advised to set up the Shadow Council and used the sounding board of NALC (National Association of Local Councils) for this and hoped to create interest for the May 2021 elections. ○ To receive from the Shadow Council the requested precept for Delabole Parish Council for 2021/2022. Cllr D Fairman notified the meeting that he had submitted a precept request for £41,000 (forty-one thousand pounds) stating this did not add or take away from the reserves in the bank. Cllr Fairman felt this was a similar banding calculation to the precept set for St Teath. ○ To receive confirmation on the process of appointing a Clerk for Delabole Parish Council. Cllr Fairman stated there was no reason to delay the appointment of a parish clerk for Delabole and the process would soon begin. An offer of a locum clerk had been accepted to commence on the 1st April 2021 for a period of up to three months, if required. The question was asked as to why the current clerk was not asked to carry out the role for the interim period. Cllr Fairman stated an offer had been made to which he had accepted. The interview panel for the new Delabole parish clerk would consist of Cllr D Fairman, Sarah Mason (CALC), Cllr R Lyle and one other. Delaole ward members Cllrs G Heard, Cllr J Richards and Cllr A Stacey asked to be part of the recruitment process and some questioned to process being carried out and why the current St Teath parish councillors were not given the opportunity to do this. The question was asked as to who was governing this and other matters in relation to the processes being taken. Cllr A Stacey was asked to join the recruitment panel and accepted after receiving the support of his fellow councillors. ○ The setting up of the bank account for the new Delabole Parish Council (with fidelity guarantee insurance) with the Unity Trust Bank and signatories be Cornwall Councillor D Fairman, the Parish Council Chairman Cllr R Lyle and one other Delabole Ward Member for the interim period until the new parish council is elected in May 2021. Cllr Fairman intended to open an account for the 1st April 2021. The signatories would be Cllr D Fairman, Cllr R Lyle and one other parish councillor. Cllr D Fairman asked Cllr C Keat to be the third signatory; to which Cllr Keat accepted. 	

8	<p>Planning – to receive recommendations from the planning committee and decide on responses to Cornwall Council. To consider any applications received between the publication of the agenda and the meeting.</p> <p>a) PA20/10712 Mr Nick Cline, Little Dinnabroad, St Teath – New solar panel array. Support – proposed by Cllr N Turner, seconded by Cllr A Stacey and unanimously agreed.</p> <p>b) PA20/11361 D & E Brodie, The Bolt Hole, 11 North Road, St Teath – Construction of single storey extension together with minor alterations. Support – proposed by Cllr N Turner, seconded by Cllr J Richards and unanimously agreed.</p> <p>c) PA20/11441 Mr & Mrs Stafford, Magpie Cottage, China Downs Road, St Teath – Demolition of existing barn and construction of a single storey dwelling. Councillors felt the proposal was a large development close to a dangerous junction and overdevelopment of the site. It was proposed by Cllr C Keat, seconded by Cllr N Turner and agreed by the majority that the decision be left to the planning officer and the Parish Council make no comment. Cllr G Heard abstained. Cllr J Richards did not support this application.</p> <p>d) PA21/00135 Mr & Mrs Allison, Land south of Trehannick Close, St Teath – reserved matters application for the construction of 23 dwellings (PA17/02529). Object – PA17/02529 made reference to an affordable-led housing development of 12 dwellings. The current application increased the number of homes to 23 with no affordable element included in the proposals. Proposed by Cllr J Richards, seconded by Cllr G Heard and unanimously agreed.</p> <p>e) PA21/00657 Mr & Mrs Rowe, Ruan, St Teath – Variation of condition 4 of decision PA15/06418 dated 10/09/2015 for demolition of existing barn / store and rebuild to extend living accommodation. Support – proposed by Cllr N Turner, seconded by Cllr J Richards and unanimously agreed.</p> <p>f) PA21/11064 Mr S Davey, Land at Home Farm, Trebarwith Road, Delabole – Removal of one of the existing barns and construction of a single dwelling. Support – proposed by Cllr J Richards, seconded by Cllr N Turner and unanimously agreed.</p>	
9	<p>Play Areas – Delabole and St Teath Parks –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inspections and to identify any work required. The Chairman had completed visual inspections and confirmed there were no matters to report. ○ Delabole Skate Park – to receive an update from the committee. To establish the amount of money required to construct the skate ramp and consider a donation towards the project. The Chairman had received a message from the Skate Park committee stating that no further information was available at this time and they had asked for the matter to be deferred, putting the project on hold. It was proposed by Cllr N Turner, seconded by Cllr A Stacey and agreed by the majority that this be taken up by the new Delabole Parish Council after the May 2021 elections. Cllrs G Heard and J Richards abstained. ○ St Teath Village Green – to consider the requirements for new play equipment and agree when this should be purchased; taking into consideration the CIL Money available from Cornwall Council. It was proposed by Cllr N Turner, seconded by Cllr A 	

	Stacey and agreed by the majority that this matter be deferred until the new council is in place after the May 2021 elections. Cllrs G Heard and J Richards abstained.	
10	<p>Finance / Staffing:</p> <p>a) To approve the payment of accounts as circulated to Councillors. It was proposed by Cllr J Richards, seconded by Cllr N Turner and unanimously agreed the accounts be paid.</p> <p>b) To agree that the money remaining in the bank account at the year-end be divided between Delabole Parish Council (67.5%) and St Teath Parish Council (32.5%) after all outstanding accounts have been paid and the new council bank account and signatories are in place with the required amount of fidelity guarantee cover. The council approved the percentage divide once all outstanding accounts had been paid. Proposed by Cllr C Keat, seconded by Cllr A Stacey and unanimously agreed. Cllr D Fairman asked that a resolution be given to the Shadow Council authorising this; but had under Item 7 stated the Shadow Council were no longer needed. The resolution was proposed by Cllr A Stacey, seconded by Cllr N Turner and unanimously agreed.</p>	
11	Correspondence – to receive correspondence list – for information only. Noted.	
12	Footpaths – to report any work outstanding / required. Cllr G Heard offered to have another look at the Vell Lane path regarding the missing gate etc. Cllr N Turner will look at the Cornwall Council mapping system to establish the status of the whole lane; and Cllr C Keat confirmed the path was identified on the definitive map.	
13	Agenda items for the next Meeting. To be sent to the Clerk by Friday, 19 th February 2021.	
14	To advise of the date for the next Full Council Meeting – Tuesday, 2nd March 2021	
15	To close the Meeting. There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm.	

Dated: 2nd March 2021

Signed.