

Altarnun Parish Council - "RO AN HAL"

Minutes of the remote meeting of **Altarnun Parish Council (APC)** held by Zoom, Wednesday 7th October 2020 which commenced at 7.30pm. Cllr Dowler welcomed all in attendance.

APC members present Cllr Dowler (Chair), Cllr Jasper, Cllr Branch, Cllr Kendall, Cllr W Smith, Cllr Marsh, Cllr Hoskin & Cllr Bloomfield. **Also present:** Ward Cllr Adrian Parsons & Parish Clerk – Mr R Turner & two members of the public.

101/20 Apologies for absence: Cllr Green & Cllr P Smith.

102/20 Members Declaration of Interest and any requests for dispensations: No interests were declared.

103/20 Invitation to address the meeting: Cornwall Cllr Adrian Parsons reported that Cornwall Council has committed £4.4m to the reopening of leisure centres on 14th October 2020. The exception will be Launceston due to urgent maintenance requirements.

He advised the parking issues at Penpont View were unlikely to be considered by Cornwall Council and that the best course of action would be a direct approach to Cornwall Housing, via the Divisional Highways Surveyor to seek their help and support.

Finally he reported that motions to the full Cornwall Council meeting were being prepared in opposition to proposed changes to the planning system, now under consultation. In summary he stated that if the changes are agreed it would probably mean that the 20-year housing target for Cornwall will increase from 52500 to 81000 properties. He questions how the increase in numbers are sustainable in the first instance and there is an apparent absence of a clear plan to provide additional infrastructure and services.

104/20 To approve the minutes of the APC meeting held on 4th September 2020

Cllr Bloomfield proposed the minutes as being a true and complete record of the meeting. Cllr Branch seconded the proposal which was unanimously **resolved**. Cllr Dowler will sign the minutes.

105/20 Matters arising from APC minutes of 4th September 2020 not otherwise included in this agenda.

There were no matters arising.

106/20 Finance Matters

The RFO reported as follows:

-Funds received £7164.32 16.9.2020 from Cornwall Council re Precept 2020/21B (£7000) Council Tax Support grant 2020/21 (£164.32). Reconciled bank balance as at 30.9.2020 £30865.32.

-External Auditor Report and Certificate 2019/20 dated 10.9.2020 confirmed that sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) was found to be in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters gave cause for concern relating to relevant legislation and regulatory requirements not being met. The report has been published on the APC web site and copies of the AGAR will be available to members of the public for 5 years at a cost of £5.

The RFO submitted the following accounts for payment:

-Microsoft Stores £59.99 – clerks software annual subscription – chq no. 1133

-PKF Littlejohn LLP £240 – external audit fee – chq no. 1134

-Smart Bros £987.13 – 2nd footpath cut (£675) & gen maintenance and grass cutting (£312.13)- chq no.1135

-AAV Services £35 – grass cut at Bolventor – chq no.1136

Cllr Marsh proposed these payments, Cllr Hoskin seconded, and it was **resolved** to pay these accounts.

107/20 Planning Applications. Consultee comments were approved for the following applications:

-Ref: PA20/06981 **Proposal** Variation of condition 3 in respect of Decision Notice PA17/02452 dated 8th August 2017 - Construction of dwelling following demolition of redundant water reservoir **Location** Land South of The Anchorage Altarnun Launceston Cornwall **Applicant** Mr Parsons.

After brief discussion clarifying the planning history and circumstances, Cllr Jasper proposed & Cllr Kendall seconded to approve the following consultee comment to Cornwall Council Planning & Sustainable Development Office, which was unanimously **resolved**.

'Altarnun Parish Council supports an appropriate installation in variation of condition 3 in respect of Decision Notice PA17/02452'

-Ref: PA20/07488 **Proposal** Outline application with all matters reserved for proposed local needs affordable dwelling (resubmission of previous application PA19/06499 dated 03.01.2020) **Location** Land West of Tredar, Trewint, Altarnun Launceston **Applicant** Mr N Tyner And Miss L Coles.

The applicants were present to explain the reasons for resubmitting the application. Following consideration for the application and debate Cllr Bloomfield proposed & Cllr Kendall seconded to approve the following consultee comment to Cornwall Council Planning & Sustainable Development Office, which was unanimously **resolved**.

'Altarnun Parish Council fully supports this application for local need by a local family in the absence of alternative local affordable housing'

-Ref: PA20/06787 **Proposal** Works to tree covered by a TPO namely to remove 3 lower limbs from large Sycamore tree (T1). **Location** The Vicarage Altarnun Launceston Cornwall **Applicant** Mrs Jenkinson. After brief consideration Cllr Marsh proposed & Cllr Bloomfield seconded to approve the following consultee comment to Cornwall Council Planning & Sustainable Development Office, which was unanimously **resolved**.

'Altarnun Parish Council supports this application to reduce 3 limbs on the subject tree'

108/20 Planning Decisions: Three decisions were reported:

PA20/03566 &, PA20/03598 **Both withdrawn**. PA20/05220 **Approved**.

For further details about any planning decision, note the reference number and go to the Cornwall Council website <http://planning.corwall.gov.uk/online-applications/>

109/20 Planning: To report, for information only, pre application planning submissions to the planning authority for Altarnun Parish.

Ref: PA20/02119/PREAPP Trekennick House Altarnun Launceston Cornwall PL15 7SL. Pre application advice for the conversion of a barn to a dwelling - Mr S Walker & Ms C Templeton-Walker.

110/20 Bus Shelter – Bolventor.

The clerk advised that a fee of £150 would be payable to Cornwall Council planning in respect of an enquiry as to whether planning permission is required for the proposed shelter as recommended by the Divisional Highways Surveyor. Cllr Dowler proposed that this enquiry be progressed, and the fee paid. Cllr Marsh seconded and it was unanimously **resolved** to issue chq no 1137 for £150 payable to Cornwall Council

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Highways: The clerk reported that a letter of thanks following the September meeting had been sent to Scott Mann, who had acknowledged and confirmed the actions he agreed during the meeting. The clerk undertook to diarise and follow up, as necessary.

Cllr Branch strongly reiterated the need for remedial action regarding the provision of revised and additional parking solutions at Penpont View following residents concerns regarding the inability of emergency service vehicles to access properties in the close and welcomed Cllr Parsons suggestion of a direct approach to Cornwall Housing via the Divisional Highways Surveyor.

112/20 Dog Waste Bin collections: The clerk advised that APC had received an invoice for payment in the sum £950.04 from Biffa and an accompanying letter stated that due to oversight no invoicing has taken place to date for dog waste collection from parish bins relating to the period 1.4.2019 to 31.3.2021 and the letter advises that billing from 1.4.2016 to 31.3.2019 has been waived. However the clerk reported that no agreement or contract exists in the parish council records and had invited Biffa to produce a mutually

signed contract to substantiate the demand. In the absence of a budget provision for the service Cllr Branch proposed that the clerk should also seek alternative service providers and comparable costings for the councils future consideration in order to clarify and formalise. Cllr Marsh seconded the proposal, and it was **resolved** that the clerk should make the necessary enquiries.

113/20 To co-opt a member to Altarnun Parish Council, subject to qualification criteria being met.

The clerk advised; no candidates had come forward and the vacancy will be readvertised with effect from 27th October 2020 with the closing date for applications being 24th November 2020.

114/20 Correspondence (For information only)

- Devon & Cornwall Police Cyber Protect Unit
- Citizens Advice Bureau – Autumn Newsletter
- Cornwall Council - Local Planning Conference to be held 21st Oct 2020
- Highways England – Removal of pines on A30 5th to 12th October
- Cornwall Council- Community Governance Review update.
- Cornwall Council, CALC & NALC- periodic newsletters & updates re Covid & business as usual.
- Member of the public – re potholes in East Moor Gate area.
- Member of the public- re – highway hedge trimming required at Tredaule

115/20 Advise date of the next full council meeting as being 4th November 2020.

This date was confirmed.

Cllr Dowler closed the meeting at 8.40pm.